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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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DAY 1: THURSDAY, MARCH 30 2023

09:00 AM - 09:15 AM Arrival and Registration

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Welcoming Words: Prof. Dr. Tanja Penter, Head of the Research Center on Antigypsyism and Prof. Dr. Werner Arnold, Rector of the University of Jewish Studies

09:30 AM

Opening Remarks: Verena Meier, Joey Rauschenberger, Philipp Zschommler

10:00 AM

Keynote-Lecture: Prof. Dr. Constantin Goschler, Gerda Henkel Visiting Professor, London

11:00 AM COFFEE BREAK

11:30 AM

PANEL 1: COMPENSATION OF MARGINALIZED GERMAN GROUPS (Chair: Wolfgang Schneider)

Jens Kolata, Fritz Bauer Institute, Frankfurt (Main): Reason for Rejection: "Asocial". The Compensation Practice towards those Affected by the Gestapo's "Aktion Arbeitsscheu Reich" Wave of Arrests in Württemberg and Hohenzollern

Claire Topsom, Royal Holloway University: The 'Silence' Surrounding Juvenile 'Asocials' post World War II

Prof. Dr. Julia Roos, Indiana University: Forgotten Victims of the National Socialist Forced Sterilization Policy: The German Descendants of French Colonial Soldiers

1:00 PM LUNCH

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PANEL 2: COMPENSATION FOR NAZI MEDICAL CRIMES

(Chair: Dr. Sarah Kleinmann)

Tiarra Cooper, University of Massachusetts Amherst: Postwar Claims of Reproductive Damage in Comparative Perspective

Dr. Borbála Klacsmann, University College Dublin: "She Asks for Aid due to Her Health Damage" – The Female Victims of Medical Experiments and their Compensation Claims

Prof. Dr. Paul Weindling, Oxford Brookes University: The Mythology of Compensation. The Non-compensation of Mengele Twins and Sinti and Roma Victims of Coerced Medical Experiments

04:00 PM COFFEE BREAK

04:30 PM

PANEL 3: COMPENSATION STRUGGLES IN EAST CENTRAL EUROPE (Chair: Paula Simon)

Sarah Grandke, University Regensburg: Blank Space Displaced Persons. Political Concentration Camp Prisoners from Eastern Europe, their Struggle and (Non)Compensation for Nazi Injustice

Dr. Petre Matei, George Baritiu History Institute of the Romanian Academy, Cluj-Napoca: *The Roma Discourse on the Holocaust compensation in 1980s Communist Romania*

05:45 PM DINNER

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DAY 2: FRIDAY, MARCH 31 2023

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PANEL 4: JUDICIARY AND "WIEDERGUTMACHUNG"

(Chair: Rabb. Prof. Dr. Birgit Klein)

Dr. des. Friederike Apelt, David Paul, Wolfenbüttel Prison Memorial: "Eternal prisoners?" Compensation for Convicts during the Nazi Period and its Individual and Social Consequences

Magdalena Gebhart, Max-Planck-Institute für Legal History und Legal Theory: Nothing Exceptional? Historical Assumptions in Compensation for Suicide Cases, 1953 – 1959

Philipp Dinkelaker, European University Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder): Law without Law. Restitution of Nazi Looted Property after 1945

10:45 AM COFFEE BREAK

11:15 AM

PANEL 5: CASE STUDIES OF RESTITUTION

(Chair: Prof. Dr. Johannes Heil)

Anne Rothfeld, American University, Washington DC: Double Expropriation of Stolen Property. United Restitution Organization, Postwar Claimants, and the Luxembourg Agreements

Dr. Jana Stoklasa, Leibniz University Hannover: Blindness to the Past in Restitution Proceedings for Labour Organizations in the Young Federal Republic of Germany

Dr. Karola Fings, Research Center on Antigypsyism: An Unmeasured Loss. Cultural Assets of German Sinti and Roma

01:15 PM LUNCH

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PANEL 6: AD FONTES: POTENTIALS AND ACCESSIBILITY OF THE SOURCES (Chair: Dr. Maria Bogdan)

Lara Raabe, Research Center on Antigypsyism: Romani Voices in West Berlin Restitution Proceedings. On the Potential of Compensation Files

Théophile Leroy, School for Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences, Paris: "We were Summoned Family by Family". Documenting the Sinti and Roma Genocide through German post-war Reparation Files. A Case Study on the Upper Rhine Area

Jörn Petrick, Federal Archives Koblenz: New Opportunities for New Research - The Online-Portal "Compensation of National Socialist Injustice" in the Archive Portal-D

Nastasja Pilz, State Archives of Baden-Württemberg: Enabling Access through New Approaches of Digitization, Description and Indexing. A Pilot Project on Compensation in the State Archives of Baden-Württemberg

04:15 PM COFFEE BREAK

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Closing Remarks by the Conference Organizers and Final Discussion

05:30 PM WALK TO THE HISTORY DEPARTMENT

06:00 PM

Public lecture (in German) by Dr. Tetiana Pastushenko, Eastern European History Institute at the Department of History of the Ruprecht-Karls-University Heidelberg: *Help for Survivors of Nazi Persecution in Ukraine in the Current War*