

**Conference**  
**Britain as a Model of Modern Society? German Views\***  
**9 – 11 July 2004**

**Programme**

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**Due to limited space, we kindly ask for registrations.**

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**Friday, 9 July 2004**

**10.00 a.m.**

*Arnd Bauerkämper, Berlin / Christiane Eisenberg, Berlin:*  
Welcome and Introduction

**Keynote Speeches**

*Günther Lottes, Potsdam:*  
Lessons of Modernity: Perceptions of Britain in 17th and 18th Century Germany

*Peter Wende, Frankfurt/M.:*  
British models for Germany during the Long 19th Century

12.30 Lunch

**2 p.m.**

**Section 1: Britain as a Cradle of Parliamentarism and Democracy?**

Chair: *Roland Sturm, Erlangen-Nürnberg*

*Rudolf Muhs, London:*  
"If we can't love England any more, what are we to love?"  
German Liberals, British Parliamentarism and the Rise of Democracy

*Helmut Weber, Berlin:*  
'Rule of Law' and German *Rechtsstaat*

4.00 – 4.15 p.m. Coffee Break

*Marie-Luise Recker, Frankfurt/Main:*  
Westminster as a Model? The *Parlamentarische Rat* on the Way to the Basic Law 1948/49

*Holger Nehring, Oxford:*  
Britain as the Cradle of Anti-parliamentarian Protest. The West German Easter Marches and the British campaigns for nuclear disarmament

7.00 p.m. Reception by the British Embassy, Berlin

**Saturday, 10 July 2004**

**9.00 a.m.**

**Section 2: Britain as an Industrial Pioneer. Economic Developments and Social Accommodation**

Chair: *Ray Cunningham, Berlin*

*Stefan Berger, Glamorgan:*

British Socialism as Perceived in Twentieth-Century Germany

*Julia Angster, Tübingen:*

Britain as a World Trading and Imperial Nation

11.00 – 11.15 a.m.    Coffee Break

*Dominik Geppert, London:*

The Crisis of the Welfare State: Thatcherism as a Model?

12.30    Lunch

**2.00 p.m.**

**Section 3: Mediators between Britain and Germany**

Chair: *Anthony J. Nicholls, Oxford*

*Michael Maurer, Jena:*

What Travellers as Mediators Communicate: The Experience of Scotland, Wales and England and the Concept of Britain from the 18<sup>th</sup> to the 20th Century

*Christian Haase, Oxford:*

The Anglo-German Society and the Königswinter Conferences

4.15 – 4.30 p.m.    Coffee Break

*Corey Ross, Birmingham:*

Projecting England, Selling Germany: Propaganda, Public Relations and Advertising after the First World War

6.00 p.m.    Dinner

**7.00 p.m.**

## **Roundtable: The Perception of Britain and the Britons in the German Media**

Participants: *Roger Boyes Berlin; Jürgen Krönig, London; Tom Levine, Berlin; Moritz Schuller (Berlin).*

Chair: *Jonathan Brenton, Berlin.*

**Sunday, 11 July 2004**

**10.00 a.m.**

### **Section 4: Popular Culture**

Chair: *Frank Trentmann, London*

*Sven Oliver Müller, Bielefeld:*

The German Perception of Music and Concert Life in Britain, 19th/early 20th centuries

*Christiane Eisenberg, Berlin:*

The Perception of 'English sports' in 20th-Century Germany

11.45 a.m. – 12.00 a.m.      Coffee Break

*Gerd Stratmann, Bochum:*

British Pop Culture in the 1960s and its German Perception

1.00 p.m.      Lunch

**2.00 p.m.**

### **Panel Discussion: Britain as a Model for Germany? Perceptions and Transfers**

Participants: *John Breuilly, Birmingham; Lothar Kettenacker, London; Frank Trentmann, London; Anthony J. Nicholls, Oxford; Arnd Bauerkämper, Berlin.*

Chair: *Gerhard A. Ritter, München/Berlin.*

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