

International Conference

Threatened Order, Societies under Stress: Challenges, Concepts, Ideas during the Cold War of the 1970s & 1980s

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The Collaborative Research Centre (CRC) 923
„Threatened Order. Societies under Stress“

The Arab Spring, the financial crisis, and the nuclear catastrophe in Fukushima have all left significant marks on international politics, economies, societies, and cultures. Extreme situations like upheavals, revolutions, and disasters affect everyday life. Such circumstances make us aware of how fragile and full of prerequisites the foundations of our life and actions are. Extreme situations can also lead to rapid change in social perception and behavior patterns.

Working with the above mentioned threat scenarios, as well as others, the researchers of Collaborative Research Centre 923 will try to discover whether and how these social orders (which can structure social groups or entire societies) change, especially when they face threats to their very existence.

The studies focus on Europe from early pre-Christian antiquity to contemporary history. Additional projects research African, North American, Chinese and Australian examples of threatened social orders.

The CRC's main interdisciplinary project areas—Riots, Disasters, Dissolution of social Orders, and Competing social Orders—will try to achieve four long-term research goals:

- to change the perception and interpretation of current crisis diagnostics
- to investigate the modes of rapid social changes
- to renew space and temporal categories in the social sciences and the humanities
- to reflect on the fundamentals of the participating disciplines in the era of globalization

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THREATENED ORDER, SOCIETIES UNDER STRESS - CHALLENGES, CONCEPTS, IDEAS DURING THE COLD WAR OF THE 1970S & 1980S

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COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH CENTER 923

Friday, September 13, 2013

3:00 - 4:00 pm

Welcome by **Ewald Frie**

Head of the Collaborative Research Center 923

Welcome by **Katharina Kucher & Georg Schild**

Heads of Project at the Collaborative Research Center 923

Introduction by **Martin Deuerlein & Roman Krawielicki**

Organizers of the Conference

4:00 - 6:15 pm, Panel 1, Chair: Klaus Gestwa

THE SHOCK OF GLOBALIZATION?

"Reduced to 'Handmaidens' of OPEC and the Soviet Union: The October War, Oil, and the Origins of the Second Cold War, 1973-1983" - **John Rosenberg** (Brown)

"Oil, the Persian Gulf, and the Second Cold War" -

Victor McFarland (Yale)

"Western Europe and China's Great Transformation" -

Martin Albers (Cambridge)

6:30 - 7:30 pm, Dinner

7:30 - 8:30 pm, Chair: Georg Schild

KEYNOTE I

"Detente's Failure and Soviet Collapse: A Search for Historical Causality" - **Vladislav Zubok** (London)

Saturday, September 14, 2013

8:00 - 9:00 am, Breakfast

9:00 - 10:30 am, Panel 2, Chair: Martin Deuerlein

THE 1970S

DECADE OF UNCERTAINTY, DECADE OF IDEAS?

"Beyond the Wall: The Trilateralist Approach of the Carter Administration" - **Fulvio Drago** (Rome)

"Making Lions Lie Down with Lambs? The Resumption of the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks after President Carter's Accession to Office in the Spring of 1977" - **Arvid Schors** (Freiburg)

10:30 - 11:00 am, Coffee Break

11:00 am - 12:00 pm, Chair: Klaus Gestwa

KEYNOTE II

"Globalization and Eastern Europe" -

Mark Kramer (Harvard)

12:15 - 1:15 pm, Lunch

1:15 - 2:45 pm, Panel 3, Chair: Katharina Kucher

THE ROLE OF EXPERTS

"The Soviet and East European Branch of the USIA Office of Research" - **Steven Grant** (Washington)

"From Pashtunwali to Communism? Soviet Advisors in Southern Afghanistan and the Soviet War in Afghanistan, c. 1979-1989"

Timothy Nunan (Oxford)

3:00 - 4:30 pm, Panel 4, Chair: Carl Bethke

TRANSNATIONAL ACTORS

"Perception of the Other - East and West German Analysts in Mutual Perception, 1970-1989" -

Sabine Loewe-Hannatzsch (Mannheim)

"Unconditional Friendship? Soviet 'Friendship Societies' in Western Europe and the Challenges of the 'Second Cold War'"

Sonja Großmann (Munich/Tuebingen)

4:30 - 5:00 pm, Coffee Break

5:00 - 6:30 pm, Panel 5, Chair: Georg Schild

1983

"The 1983 War Scare: 'The Last Paroxysm' of the Cold War" - **Nathan Jones** (Washington)

"The Able Archer 83 Non-Crisis: Did Soviet Leaders Really Fear an Imminent Nuclear Attack in 1983?" - **Mark Kramer** (Harvard)

6:30 - 7:30 pm, Dinner

Sunday, September 15, 2013

8:00 - 9:00 am, Breakfast

9:00 - 11:15 am, Panel 6, Chair: Roman Krawielicki

THE 1980S - DECADE OF FEAR, DECADE OF TRUST?

"The Challenge of Peace: The Reagan Administration and Anti-Nuclear Activism in the 1980s" - **Henry Maar** (Santa Barbara)

"Nuclear Arms Control and the Politics of Trust in the Reagan Administration" - **Laura Considine** (Aberystwyth)

"Ethnicity and Revolution at the End of the Cold War: The Case of Nicaragua's Miskitu Indians" - **David Lee** (Temple)

11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Lunch

12:30 pm - 14:00 pm, Panel 7, Chair: Johannes Großmann

TERRORISM - A LEGACY OF THE COLD WAR?

"The Cold War and Terrorism: Two Sides of the Same Coin?" - **Bernhard Blumenau** (Geneva)

"Discursive Construction of the 'Terrorist Threat' in the Reagan Era" - **Adrian Hänni** (Zurich)

14:00 - 15:00 pm, Chair: Martin Deuerlein & Roman Krawielicki

CONCLUDING DISCUSSION

Concluding Statement - **Bernd Schäfer** (Washington)