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**Fritz Thyssen Stiftung**  
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**Living the German Revolution 1918-19:  
Expectations, Experiences, Responses**

German Historical Institute London  
17 Bloomsbury Square  
London WC1A 2NJ  
18 – 20 October 2018

Conveners: Christopher Dillon (King's College London), Christina von Hodenberg (GHIL),  
Steven Schouten (University of Amsterdam) and Kim Wünschmann (LMU München)

**Thursday, 18 October 2018**

13:30 Arrival and registration

14:00-14:15 Welcome and introduction by the organisers

14:15-16:00 **Panel I: Living at Revolutionary Flashpoints**  
Chair: Adam Sutcliffe (London)

Wiebke Wiede (Trier): The Wilhelmshaven Revolts 1917-1919: Social  
Conditions and Experiences of the Revolution on a Naval Base

Christina Lipke (Hamburg): Everyday Life in revolutionary Hamburg  
1918/19

Christopher Dillon (London): Beyond Munich: Revolutionary  
Flashpoints in Provincial Bavaria

16:00-16:20 Tea & Coffee

16:20-18:00 **Panel II: Perspectives on Revolutionary Violence**  
Chair: Kim Wünschmann (Munich)

Anita Klingler (Edinburgh): Attitudes to political violence in early  
interwar Britain and Germany: Glasgow and Munich, 1919

Thomas Blanck (Cologne): Revolutionary States of Exception: Urban  
Violence in Munich and Fiume, 1918-20

Mark Jones (Berlin/Dublin): 100 Jahre Novemberrevolution:  
Reflections upon the centenary of Germany's 'forgotten revolution'

18:30-20:00

**Keynote Address**

Chair: Christina von Hodenberg (London)

Benjamin Ziemann (Sheffield)

History in the Active Voice:

Rethinking the German Revolution 1918/1919

*followed by a reception*

**Friday, 19 October 2018**

09:30-11:30

**Panel III: Women and the German Revolution**

Chair: Mark Hewitson (London)

Ingrid Sharp (Leeds): Beyond Rosa Luxemburg:  
Women in the German Revolution 1918/19

Corinne Painter (Leeds):

Writing the Revolution: Lola Landau and Cläre Jung

Matthew Stibbe (Sheffield Hallam): Understanding socialist women's  
perspectives on violence and the revolution: Germany, 1918-1920

11:30-12:00

Tea & Coffee

12:00-13:30

**Panel IV: German Jews and the Revolution**

Chair: Steven Schouten (Amsterdam)

Kim Wünschmann (Munich): Hopes and Fears:  
German Jews and the Revolution. Munich as a Case Study

Daniel Siemens (Newcastle): Headstone of Emancipation?  
The Revolution of 1918/19 and the German Jews

13:30-14:30

Lunch

14:30-16:00

**Panel V: Emotions and the Chronicling of Revolutionary History**

Chair: Sebastian Gehrig (London)

Nadine Rossol (Essex): Writing about a Revolution: Emotions and  
Agency of young People in the German Revolution 1918/19

16:00-16:30

Tea & Coffee

16:30-18:00

**Panel VI: The Churches and the Revolution**

Chair: Jim Bjork (London)

Ulrike Ehret (Munich):

Impious Hopes?

Catholic Experiences of the Revolution 1918/1919 in Munich

Benedikt Brunner (Mainz): An unsettled Church? The German

Revolution and its Implications for a New Order of the Protestant

Churches in Germany

19:00

Conference dinner

**Saturday, 20 October 2018**

09:00-10:30

**Panel VII: Publishing Houses, Culture and Education**

Chair: Paul Moore (Leicester)

Margarete Tiessen (Cambridge): 'Fateful Enormities': The Berlin

Publishing House S. Fischer and the German Revolution

Steven Schouten (Amsterdam): Laboratory for Cultural Renewal: The

1918/19 German Revolution and the Foundation of the Waldorf

School

10:30-11:00

Tea & Coffee

11:00-12:30

**Panel VIII: Revolutionary Ideas and Practices**

Chair: Christopher Dillon (London)

Darrow Schecter (Sussex): The German Revolution, Council Democracy  
and Radical Constitutional Theory

Andrew Donson (Amherst): *Arbeitsunlust*: A Social and Economic

Analysis of the 'Reluctance to Work' in Germany, 1918/19

12:30-14:00

**Concluding Roundtable Discussion**

Chair: Steven Schouten (Amsterdam)

Discussants: Anthony McElligott (Limerick), Andrew Donson (Amhurst),  
Nadine Rossol (Essex)