
Fourth Transatlantic Students Symposium
Give Me Your Tired, Your Poor?
Immigration and Citizenship in the United States and the European Union

March 4-12, 2006

BMW Center for German and European Studies, Georgetown University
Institut für Anglistik und Amerikanistik, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Symposium Program

Friday, March 10

Intercultural Center, 7th Floor Executive Conference Room

12:00 Lunch provided for participants

1:00 Welcome & Opening Comments

Dr. Reinhard Isensee (HU), Dr. Eric Langenbacher (GU), Philipp Kneis (HU)

1:30 Panel I: Issues of Integration in the European Union

Danijela Djordjevic

Accession of Countries to the EU

Janine Ludwig

Testing the Loyalty of Immigrants

Dominik Jungermann & Elmar Narayan

Ethnic Economies in Germany: A Closer Look at (Turkish) Entrepreneurs in Germany (Berlin)

Questions and Discussion

3:15 Break

3:45 Panel II: Case Studies, Part One

Alisa Isovich

Comparing German and US Refugee Policy - Bosnian Refugees as a Case Study

Zachary Wynne

Who is Hungarian: Untangling the Debate between Citizenship & Nationality in Historic & Modern Hungary

Phil Thomas

What Canadian Migration Policy means for Europe: A Research Proposal

Questions and Discussion

Saturday, March 11

Center for Contemporary Arab Studies Boardroom, Intercultural Center 2nd Floor (ICC 241)

Kimberly Jaeger and Eric Langenbacher, Moderators

9:00 Panel III: The Local Level

Aaron Erlich

The Politics of Immigration & Citizenship: The Emerging Importance of Local Politics

David Rose

The Ecology of Self-Containment: Gated Communities as Affluent Parallel Societies

Florian Stenschke

Alternative School Models Aimed at Aiding Integration

Questions and Discussion

10:30 Break

11:00 Panel IV: Immigration Policy

Christine Leppin

Fortress Europe – The EU’s Immigration Dilemma and Failure to Agree on a Common Immigration Policy

Daniel Smith

Immigration, Citizenship, and the Effectiveness of Anti-discrimination Norms in Denmark

Anja Swidsinski & Timo Tonassi

Preventing Illegal Immigration in the South of the U.S. and the E.U.

Questions and Discussion

12:30 Lunch provided for participants

1:30 Panel V: Immigrants & Society

Felix Wucherpfennig

Italian Immigrants in the USA

Philipp Kneis

“Friends of Ours.” Strategies of Minority Self-Assertion and Self-Definition on “The Sopranos”

Dominik Bertram

Parallel Societies – Society’s Parallel?

Questions and Discussion

3:00 Tour of Georgetown University, Talk about the BMW Center for German and European Studies

Kimberly Jaeger

4:00 Panel VI: Case Studies, Part Two

Hannah Eberhard

“East is East, and West is West, and never the twain shall meet”: Immigration from Asia

Sebastian Schöbel

Quarter Management in the Soldiner Kiez, Berlin-Wedding

Questions and Discussion

5:15 Closing Remarks

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