Preliminary Program

**Thursday, 2 May 2019**
Altes Finanzamt, Landshuter Str. 4, Room 319

**KEYNOTE LECTURE**
18:00-20:00

Prof. Dr. Matthias Middell (Leipzig University)

**WELCOMING RECEPTION**

**Friday, 3 May 2019**
Großer Sitzungssaal des Philosophikums, Room PT 3.0.79. Universitätsstr. 31, Regensburg

09:00-10:45
**Session 1**
ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION:
THE INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ORDER IN CRISIS:
GLOBAL GOVERNANCE VS. NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY?

Prof. Dr. Stefan Fröhlich (Erlangen-Nürnberg University)
Dr. Jackson Janes (American Institute for Contemporary German Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Washington DC)
Dr. Cindy Wittke (IOS Institute of East and Southeast European Studies, Regensburg)
Chairied by Dr. Gerlinde Groitl (Regensburg University)

Coffee Break

11:00-12:45
**Session 2**
PANEL:
THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER IN CRISIS: ANTI-GLOBALISM IN A GLOBALIZED WORLD?

Prof. Dr. András Inotai (Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest)
Prof. Dr. Jürgen Jerger (Regensburg University)
Prof. Dr. Welf Werner (Heidelberg Center for American Studies, Heidelberg University)
Chairied by: TBC

Lunch

14:00-15:45
**Session 3**
PANEL: COMMUNICATION AND TECHNOLOGY: GLOBAL STRUCTURES, NATIONAL DISCOURSES?

Dr. Antje Glück (Teesside University)
Prof. Dr. Christiane Heibach (Regensburg University)
Prof. Dr. Wulf Kansteiner (Aarhus University)
Chairied by: Prof. Dr. Bernhard Dotzler (Regensburg University)
Coffee Break

16:15-17:30
TURBO TALKS:
DOCTORAL AND POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCHERS’ PROJECT PRESENTATIONS
Chaired by: Dr. Paul Vickers (Regensburg University)

18:00-20:00
KEYNOTE LECTURE

Prof. Dr. Johanna Bockman (George Mason University, Virginia)

CONFERENCE DINNER

Saturday, 4 May 2019
Großer Sitzungssaal des Philosophikums, Room PT 3.0.79. Universitätsstr. 31, Regensburg

09:00-10:45
Session 4
PANEL:
REMAKING NATIONS AND REGIONS: CITIZENSHIP, BORDERS AND MIGRATION

Jun. Prof. Dr. Jannis Panagiotidis (Osnabrück University)
Prof. Dr. Manuela Bojadzijev (Leuphana Lüneburg/ Humboldt University Berlin)
TBC
Chaired by Prof. Dr. Ulf Brunnbauer (IOS – Institute for East and Southeast European Studies/Regensburg University)

Coffee Break

11:00-12:45
Session 5
ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION:
BEYOND THE NATION: FROM LOCALISM TO COSMOPOLITANISM

Prof. Dr. Volker Depkat (Regensburg University)
Prof. Dr. Dirk Uffelmann (Passau University)
Prof. Dr. Fernando Vallespín (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid)
Prof. Dr. Dirk Wiemann (Potsdam University)
Chaired by: Prof. Dr. Sabine Koller (Regensburg University)

13:00-13:30
CONCLUDING DISCUSSION

Chaired by Prof. Dr. Jochen Mecke (Regensburg University)

LUNCH
Abstract

The conference investigates the interconnection of the nation-state and globalization, both historically and in the present. It aims to further knowledge on how the national and global have been and remain co-constitutive, during periods both of expanding globalization and of efforts towards restricting or resisting it. In the globalized world, goods, ideas, cultural works and people seem to cross borders and circulate without limits. Yet the interconnectedness of domestic, foreign and international policy, which also influences everyday life, seems to be challenged by a retreat from multilateralism and cooperation. From the 1970s, belief in the obsolescence of the nation-state and nationalism became prominent across the political and disciplinary spectrum, from international relations to history. Likewise, the transnational turn in cultural studies and the social sciences has drawn attention to identities beyond the nation, ranging from subnational and local cultures to global cosmopolitanism. However, belief in the obsolescence of the nation-state might seem misplaced today given events in different world regions, including the foreign and economic policy of Donald Trump’s administration, Brexit and populism in Europe and Latin America. Exploring how the nation-state and nationalism were part of a globalizing project and have remained resilient under globalization is thus pressing. Drawing on the traditional strengths of area studies, evident in its multiregional and multidisciplinary perspectives, enables the conference to examine whether the current recalibration of relations of the national and global is exceptional and what options are open for a multilateral and global future.

Perhaps the slogan of a “Global Britain” professed by some Brexit supporters encapsulates the complexity of the global-national entanglement. National standing is imagined transnationally and comparatively, while the illusory proposition of “taking back control” to secure unbridled sovereignty means remaining in structures of global governance, transnational political and economic ties, global communication infrastructure, and mobility and migration. These themes form the focus of the conference panels, alongside historical and cultural approaches highlighting the legacies of empires and nation-states in forging a global world that emerged alongside and out of colonialism and imperialism. The conference thus asks: How did the nation-state come to be seen as passé across many disciplines and regions? What political, economic, social and cultural consequences has teleological faith the nation-state’s obsolescence had? How has the nation-state been a crucial element of globalization rather than its antithesis? How are the global and transnational entangled in the current national resurgence? And how have the national, subnational and local proven both resilient in the face of globalization and also co-constitutive of the global world?