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# CITAS

Center for International and  
Transnational Area Studies



## Welcome to the CITAS Newsletter - Feb 2019

We are pleased you have attended previous CITAS events and/or shown an interest in our Center. We hope you are happy to receive this newsletter. If you would like to be removed from the CITAS Mailing List please contact [citas@ur.de](mailto:citas@ur.de)

Wir freuen uns darüber, dass Sie früher an CITAS Veranstaltungen teilgenommen haben und/oder Interesse an unser Zentrum äußerten. Wir hoffen, dass Sie damit einverstanden sind, weitere Nachrichten im Rahmen vom CITAS-Newsletter zu bekommen. Falls wir Sie aus dem Verteiler austragen sollten, schreiben Sie bitte an [citas@ur.de](mailto:citas@ur.de).

## CITAS News

- **Prof. Dr. Ulf Brunnbauer** is now chair of the CITAS Executive Board (Vorstand). As per the CITAS statute, the chair of the Executive board rotates. We thank **Prof. Dr. Jochen Mecke** for his service and continued work as part of the board.
- Numerous events are planned for the coming months, more on them below. We are looking for short **contributions to our conference from early career scholars**. If you are interested in giving a "turbo talk" on 3 May, please contact CITAS.
- We will also be hosting a "**Brown-bag**" **lecture series** for international visiting scholars. Two dates for the summer semester are already in place. If your department is inviting scholars from abroad who work in area studies, please get in touch.



On **2-4 May 2019**, CITAS will host its first **conference**. Supported by Universitätsstiftung Hans Vielberth, "Obsolete, Resilient, Resurgent: The Nation State in a Globalized World" explores the significance of the national under past and present conditions of globality across the regions of North



On 12 April, in collaboration with **IOS** and the **Graduate School for East and Southeast European Studies**, CITAS will be contributing to the events held at Altes Finanzamt, Landhuter Str. 4, as part of **Nacht.Schafft.Wissen** - an open evening for

America, Eastern and Western Europe.

The conference starts with a keynote lecture by Matthias Middell (Leipzig) on 'Nation/States and Modern Globalization' at 18.00 on 2 May. There will be a second keynote on 3 May by Johanna Bockman (George Mason U, USA), with a series of panels on 3-4 May. All are welcome. More details of [the programme can be found here](#).

We would like to ask any early career scholars (and their professors) to contribute short 3-4 minute "Turbo talks" on 3 May. You can present your ongoing research briefly then enjoy in-depth discussion with the experts present. If you are interested please contact CITAS.

everyone to get behind the scenes of innovative research being conducted in Regensburg.

From 18.00 there will be a family-oriented block of short talks. At 20.00 there will be a discussion on the impact of Brexit and populism on the local Regensburg economy, which is highly entangled in the globalized world. At 21.30 you can experience multiple revolutions from around the world in just five minutes. And from 22.30 you can wind down with a pub quiz "prOST!", testing your knowledge of East-Central Europe.

The pub quiz is supported by [Bischofshof Brewery](#). All are welcome. Free entry.



CITAS is pleased to have received support from the Hans-Vielberth Foundation for a series of talks titled CITAS Dialog 2019. This year the subject is "Europe between Crisis and Revival".

The first event in the series is a cooperation with IOS and GSOSES. **On 25 April, 18.00 at IOS (Landshuter Str. 4) Lauri Mälksoo (Tartu, Estonia) and the journalist Gesine Dornblüth** will be in conversation with Cindy Wittke (IOS, CITAS Advisory board member) on Russian approaches to international law in the wake of the Ukraine crisis. (In German)

**On 13 June at Evangelisches Bildungswerk** (Am Ölberg), Carsten Lenk will host a discussion on Europe in the wake of the European elections and Brexit. Confirmed panelists include Rainer Liedtke, Jochen Mecke and Joanna Rostek (Gießen). More events are scheduled for the summer and winter semesters. (In German)



CITAS will have a stand at the Regensburger Hochschultag degree fair. CITAS will offer insight into the international double

In Winter semester 2018/19, CITAS organized the lecture series "[Jenseits der Nation? Internationale und transnationale](#)

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degrees and area-studies related programmes offered by our colleagues across the University of Regensburg. Come and find us near the Audimax on **15 February 2019** from 9 a.m. More information on the range of study programmes offered [is available here](#).

**Ordnungen und Identitäten**". It was attended by students from across the disciplines, including many international students. 38 students took the final exam.

We would like to thank sincerely all the professors and lecturers who took the time to contribute to the series, offering a cross-section of the innovative area studies research taking place in Regensburg. We hope to have another lecture series in winter semester 2019/20.

You are also welcome to [sign up to the CITAS mailing list here](#).

## Other Events, Calls for Papers and Conference reports

Over the course of the semester break, there will be several interesting area studies-related events taking place in Regensburg. If your institute and department is organizing relevant events, please send us details and we are happy to advertise them on Facebook, in the newsletter and on the CITAS Website. Likewise if you have recently published work in the field of area studies, we are happy to include mentions of publications in future newsletters.

**1-5 March - Mittelpunkt Europa Film Festival** - films from Poland, Ukraine, Hungary and Czech Republic will be shown in Regensburg.

**11-15 March - Winterschule Ukraine** Applications are welcome until 5 March, while a series of public events will be held each evening from 11-14 March at IOS.

**4-6 July - abstracts to be submitted by 20 February - New Perspectives on Transatlantic Relations: Multidisciplinary Approaches** at the Bavarian American Academy

Paul Vickers, the CITAS manager, spoke at "Area Studies in Flux", a conference organized at University College London in collaboration with the Institute for Advanced Studies, the School of Slavonic and East European Studies and Peking University. [A conference report written by Paul appeared on H/Soz/Kult and you can read it here](#).

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