

Creating and Challenging the Transatlantic Intelligence Community

Thursday, 30 March 2017 (Woodrow Wilson Center)

12:00-12:30 Registration

12:30-13:00 Welcome and Opening

Christian OSTERMANN (Director, Woodrow Wilson Center, USA)

Thomas BOGHARDT (U.S. Army Center of Military History, USA)

Michael WALA (Ruhr-University Bochum, Germany/IIHA)

13:00 - 14:00 Panel I: From World War to Cold War and Beyond

Chair: Anna DAUN (Berlin School of Economics and Law, Germany)

- Thomas J. MAGUIRE (King's College London, UK):
„Western Overseas Security Assistance: Counter-Subversion, Intelligence Liaison and Post-Imperial Influence in the Cold War Global South”
- Michael HERMAN (Nuffield College Oxford, UK):
“What Difference did it Make? Cold War Intelligence from Today's Point of View”

14:00 - 14:30 Coffee Break

14:30 - 16:00 Panel II: Exchanging Intelligence, Exchanging Data

Chair: Vince HOUGHTON (International Spy Museum, USA)

- John FOX (FBI Historian, USA):
“Foreign Counterintelligence Cooperation and the Transatlantic Intelligence Community”
- Jens WEGENER (William Paterson University, USA):
“A Many-Headed Beast: The CIA's Project HYDRA and the Dawn of the Information Age in the Transatlantic Intelligence Cooperation”

- Verena DIERSCH (University of Cologne, Germany):
“Digital Network Intelligence in a Transatlantic Organizational Field and Co-operation between NSA, BND, and BfV”

16:00 - 16:30 Coffee Break

16:30 - 18:00 Panel III: Transatlantic Intelligence and Eastern Europe

Chair: Jeffrey HERF (University of Maryland, USA)

- Mark STOUT, Katalin KADAR LYNN (Johns Hopkins University, USA):
“Failed Transatlantic Liaison: Early Cold War Paper Mills and the Case of the MHBK (Association of Hungarian Veterans)”
- Enrico HEITZER (Brandenburg Memorial Foundation, Germany):
“The Fighting Group against Inhumanity: Spying and Destabilizing the GDR”
- Nicholas J. SCHLOSSER (US Army Center of Military History, USA):
“The East German Campaign against Radio in the American Sector (RIAS) Berlin, 1953-1961”

19:30 Dinner

Friday, 31 March 2016 (Woodrow Wilson Center)

9:00 - 10:30 Young Researchers' Forum I

Chair: Charlotte Backerra (University of Stuttgart, Germany)

- Susan PERLMAN (American University Washington DC, USA):
“Franco-American Intelligence Cooperation and the Beginning of the Global Cold War”
- Constant HIJZEN (Leiden University, The Netherlands):
“Our American Friends: The Genesis of the Dutch-American Intelligence Liaison”

9:00 - 10:30 Young Researchers' Forum II

Chair: Anna Abelman (Ruhr-University of Bochum, Germany)

- Christopher KIRCHBERG (Ruhr-University Bochum, Germany):
“NADIS: A starting point for a new level of transatlantic intelligence partnership?”
- Tobias SCHMITT (University of Freiburg, Germany):
“U.S. Intelligence and the nascent transatlantic security architecture of the Cold War: The Case of the Gesellschaft für Wehrkunde”
- Daniel PRONK (Netherlands Ministry of Defense, The Netherlands):
“Sharing the Burden, Sharing the Secrets. The Fulcrum of Transatlantic Intelligence Cooperation”

10:30 - 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 – 11:45 Panel IV: Dealing with Two Germanys

Chair: Richard BREITMAN (American University, USA)

- Kevin Conley RUFFNER (CIA, USA):
“‘Our Work in the Soviet Zone of Germany has been nothing but Interminable Delays, Restrictions, Bargaining and Suspicion’: U.S. Army Graves Registration Operations in East Germany 1945-1956”
- Kristie MACRAKIS (Georgia Institute of Technology, USA):
“The Hazards of Intelligence Cooperation: The Case of the Berlin Tunnel & George Blake”

12:00-13:00 Keynote Address

Chair: Christian OSTERMANN (Woodrow Wilson Center, USA)

- Christopher A. KOJM (George Washington University, formerly chair of NIC, USA):
“Transatlantic Intelligence Relations”

13:00-14:30 Lunch Break

14:30 - 16:00 Panel V: Anglo-American Signals Intelligence Relationship: Evolution and Lessons

Chair: John FERRIS (University of Calgary, Canada)

- David J. SHERMAN (National Security Agency, USA):
“From Improvisation to Permanence: British and American Signals Intelligence, 1941-1955: An US-American Perspective”
- Tony COMER (Government Communications Headquarters, UK):
“From Improvisation to Permanence: British and American Signals Intelligence, 1941-1955 – a British Perspective”
- Michael WARNER (US Department of Defense, USA):
“Transformation and Intelligence Liaison”

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-18:00 Panel VI: UK-USA Intelligence: Past, Present, Future

Chair: Bernd SCHAEFER (Woodrow Wilson Center, USA)

- Chris MORAN (University of Warwick, UK):
“Anglo-American Co-operation and the Future of Intelligence”
- David GIOE (US Military Academy at West Point, USA):
“The 1946 UK-USA Agreement: The Mustard Seed of Transatlantic Cyber Operations?”
- Calder WALTON (Harvard University, USA):
“For your Eyes only: The UK-US ‘Special’ Intelligence Relationship and Changing Strategic Threats in the Twentieth Century”

18:15-19:15 Panel VII: Perceptions of US-German Intelligence Relations

Chair: Timothy NAFTALI (New York University, USA)

- Dorle HELLMUTH (Catholic University of America, USA):
“German-U.S. Intelligence Cooperation: Reliable Transatlantic Allies despite Differences”
- Bodo HECHELHAMMER (BND Historian, Germany):
“‘[...] to give the Germans a broad picture of the US [...]’: The Secret US Training and Visiting Program by the CIA”

19:30

Dinner

Saturday, 1 April 2016 (German Historical Institute)

9:00 Welcome by GHI Director Simone LÄSSIG

9:30-11:30 Panel VIII: German Integration in the Transatlantic Intelligence Community

Chair: Simone LÄSSIG (Director, German Historical Institute, USA)

- Wolfgang KRIEGER (University of Marburg, Germany):
“The BND as a Western Intelligence Partner, 1948-1968”
- Michael WALA (University of Bochum, Germany):
“Hunting the ‘Red Orchestra’ after 1945 and the Creation of a Transatlantic Intelligence Community”
- Thomas BOGHARDT (U.S. Army Center of Military History, USA):
“*Semper Vigilis*: U.S. Army Signals Intelligence in Early Cold War Germany”
- Eva JOBS (University of Marburg, Germany):
“Trust, Lies, and Science: The Polygraph as a Transatlantic Intelligence Challenge”

11:30-11:45 Coffee Break

11:45-12:45 Keynote Address

Chair: Thomas WEGENER FRIIS (University of Southern Denmark, Denmark)

Joseph WIPPL (former CIA Chief of Europe Division/Boston University, USA):

“Unilateral vs. Multilateral Liaison: The Future of Transatlantic Intelligence”

12:45-13:00 Closing Remarks

13:00 Lunch at German Historical Institute