

## Protestant Religion, Missions, and Global Networks in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Centuries

A Conference at the Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin, May 21 -22, 2014

(All sessions to be held in the main conference room at Villa Jaffé, Wallotstraße 10)

This conference will examine eighteenth- to late nineteenth-century familial, evangelical, and reform networks in a transnational purview. In the wake of eighteenth century evangelical revivalism, Protestant denominations of all stripes founded missions to convert the “heathens” in far-flung global locales. American historians have written about 18<sup>th</sup>- century revivalism as “the First [American] Great Awakening,” scholars of Britain have traditionally focused on revivalism as it impacted Great Britain, and scholars have studied the pietistic practices that hailed from Halle, Württemberg, Herrnhut and elsewhere in the German-speaking states. Exciting new scholarship from across the historical disciplines and national fields of inquiry has, however, sought fresh ways to study this spiritual revival and religious enthusiasm and to reframe its interaction with culture and politics, focusing in particular on the transnational study of evangelicalism, missions, and social reforms through both clerical and familial networks. **Protestant Religion, Missions, and Global Networks** brings together junior, mid-level, and senior scholars whose current research takes these approaches to issues related to Protestant missions; evangelizing slaves and Native Americans; slave-trade abolition and slave emancipation; and familial and global religious networks.

Wednesday, May 21

- 12:30 pm                      Lunch at Wissenschaftskolleg main building (Wallotstraße 19)
- 2:00 pm                      **Luca Giuliani**, Wissenschaftskolleg Rektor, Welcome
- Jenna Gibbs**, Wiko Fellow and Florida International University: Opening Remarks
- 2:15 pm                      **Session 1: Missions, Slaves, and Native Americans in the Americas**
- Chair: **Yair Mintzker**, Wiko Fellow and Princeton University
- Travis Glasson**, Temple University: “‘A Christian Splendour from an Ethnic Sky’: Transatlantic Anglicanism, Slavery, and the Mohawks.”
- Edward Andrews**, Providence College: “Native Missionaries and the Problem of Slavery in the British Atlantic World.”
- 4:15 pm                      Break
- 4: 30 pm                      **Keynote Address (followed by Q and A)**
- Introduction: Jenna Gibbs
- Aaron Fogleman**, Northern Illinois University: "A Woman, her Husband, and Protestant Missions in the Eighteenth-Century Atlantic World"
- 6:00 pm                      Reception
- 7:00 pm                      Dinner at nearby restaurant

Thursday, May 22

9:30 am

**Session 2: Transnational Religious Networks and Abolitionism**

Chair: **Peter Burschel**, Humboldt Universität

**Sünne Juterczenka**, Humboldt Universität: “Transatlantic Quaker Networks and the Abolition of Slavery”

**Jenna Gibbs**, Wiko and Florida International University: “Moravian Missions, Slavery and Antislavery: the Case of Christian Ignatius LaTrobe”

11:30 am

Break

11:45 am

**Jan Hüsgen**, Leibnitz Universität Hannover: “‘A Bulwark of Slavery’? Local and Global Factors in the Abolition of Slavery in the Moravian Mission to the Danish West Indies”

12:45 pm

Lunch at Villa Jaffé

2:00 pm

**Session 3: Global Religious and Reform Networks**

Chair: **Michael Mann**, Humboldt Universität

**Gisela Mettele**, Friedrich-Schiller Universität, Jena: “Moravian Global Networks”

**Andrea Major**, Leeds University, “The Peripatetic Mr. Thompson: Traversing global networks of colonial philanthropy in Britain, America, and India, 1835-58”

4:00 pm

Break

4:15 pm

**Klaus Koschorke**, Ludwig-Maxmillian-Universität, München: “Beyond their own dwellings”: Indigenous Christian Elites and Transcontinental Missionary Networks in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Centuries

5:15 pm

Program concludes

6:00 pm

Reception in the main building of Wissenschaftskolleg with all the Wiko fellows

7:00

Dinner at nearby restaurant