

"Great Expectations: John F. Kennedy and the 'Thousand Days.'"

A Conference at the Free University of Berlin, August 21-23.

Conveners: Andreas Etges (Free University of Berlin), Bernd Schäfer (GHI).

August 21

10:00 **Welcome**

10:30-12:30 **Panel 1 (Chair: Bernd Schäfer, GHI)**

Rolf Steininger, University of Innsbruck

John F. Kennedy and the Berlin Crisis

David C. Geyer, Office of the Historian, U.S. Department of State

Setting the Stage: John F. Kennedy, Willy Brandt and the Origins of Ostpolitik, 1961-1963

Andreas Daum, SUNY Buffalo

"Atlantic Partnership" or Simply "A Mess"? Germany, Berlin, and Western Europe in Kennedy's Politics of Détente

Ralph Dietl, Queen's University Belfast

"A cleverly concealed manoeuvre to keep Europe dependent on America."

John F. Kennedy and the Atlantic Partnership, 1960-1963

12:30-2:00 **Lunch Break**

2:00-3:30 **Panel 2 (Chair: Andreas Etges, Free University of Berlin)**

Erin R. Mahan, Office of the Historian, U.S. Department of State

Debating de Gaulle: Franco-American Differences and the Limits of a Détente in Europe, 1963

Christian Nünlist, ETH Zurich

Transatlantic Debates on the Rise and Fall of Détente, 1961-1963

Andrew J. Priest, University of Birmingham, UK

Nuclear Initiatives? Kennedy, NATO and the Multilateral Force

3:30-4:00 Coffee Break

4:00-6:00 Panel 3 (Chair: Ursula Lehmkuhl, Free University of Berlin)

Bradley S. Zakarin, Harvard University

“Clichés of Our Forebears”: The Kennedy Administration, the Cuban Missile Crisis, and the Monroe Doctrine

Bernd Greiner, Hamburger Institut für Sozialforschung

A Window of Opportunity. John F. Kennedy and American-Soviet Relations in the wake of the Cuban Missile Crisis

Mark A. Lawrence, University of Texas, Austin

What Kind of Watershed? The United States, Cuba, and the Cold War in 1963

Douglas E. Selvage, Office of the Historian, U.S. Department of State

A Lost Opportunity for Détente? Kennedy, Khrushchev, and Nuclear Nonproliferation, 1962-1963

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10:30-12:00 Panel 4 (Chair: Peter Busch, ZDF Mainz)

Roland Popp, University of Cologne

Benign Intervention? The Kennedy Administration's Push for Reform in Iran, 1961-1963

Matthew C. Jones, University of London, UK

Lost Opportunities or False Expectations? The Kennedy Administration and
Indonesia, 1961-1963

Arne Kislenko, Ryerson University, Toronto

Perhaps Vietnam: U.S. Foreign Policy and Thailand during the Kennedy Administration

12:00-1:30 Lunch Break

1:30-3:00 Panel 5 (part 1) (Chair: Axel Schäfer, Keele University)

Andreas Etges, Introduction

Petra Dolata-Kreuzkamp, Free University of Berlin

Kennedy's "War on Poverty": Regional Development in Appalachia

Georg Schild, University of Bonn

John F. Kennedy and the American Social Welfare Debate in the Early 1960s

3:00-3:30 Coffee Break

3:30-4:30 Panel 5 (part 2) (Chair: Axel Schäfer, Keele University)

Christopher B. Klemek, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia

The Crisis of Expertise: Policy Intellectuals and the Urban Debate

Manfred Berg, Center for USA Studies, Halle-Wittenberg

Ink for Jack: John F. Kennedy and the Civil Rights Movement

4:30-5:30 Final Discussion

August 23

10:30 German Historical Museum, I. M. Pei wing

Tour of the "John F. Kennedy" exhibition

time to explore the building and other exhibitions

end of conference