

Opening Address

H.E. John B. Emerson
U.S. Ambassador to
Germany
May 9, 9.30 am



Keynote Speakers

Prof. Martin Hartmann
Universität Luzern
The Decline of Trust: Myth
or Fact?
May 9, 5.00 pm



Prof. Susan Castillo
King's College London
Trust, Civility, and the
Shadow of Jamestown
May 10, 9.30 am



Artist Presentation

Isabella Streffen
Hawk & Dove
May 9, 1.45 pm



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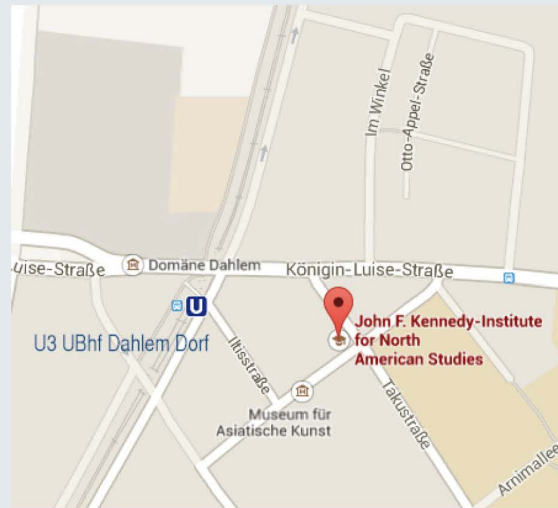
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Trust Issues

Community, Contingency,
and Security in North America

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Conference Programme

Friday 9th May

- 9.00 am Registration opens
- 9.30 am Opening Remarks and Address by H.E. John B. Emerson, U.S. Ambassador to Germany
- 10.30 am Coffee Break
- 11.00 am Parallel Panels I and II

Panel I. Episodes of Pervasive Distrust: American Institutions and the Effects of Paranoia and Anxiety
Panel Chair: Sebastian Jobs
Auréliane Narvaez: Fostering, Managing and Relieving Doubts: Manipulating Mistrust and Threats of Religious Skepticism in Antebellum America 1790-1830
Katharina Thalmann: "An Idée Fixe Whose Time Has Come": Paranoia and the Watergate Scandal
Simon Schleusener: Theatricality, Surveillance, and the Politics of Trust

Panel II. Tricksters and Con Men: Untrustworthy Figures in American Cultural Expression
Panel Chair: Kathleen Looock
Dennis Mischke: Confidence Games and Global Communities: Herman Melville and Imperial Cosmopolitanism
Sonja Schillings: Unreliable Characters and Coded Messages in Flannery O'Connor's "Revelation"
Wieland Schwanebeck: Gotta Know Your Audience: Argo and the Cinematic Confidence Game

- 12.30 pm Lunch Break
- 1.45 pm Artist Presentation: Isabella Streffen, Hawk & Dove
- 2.45 pm Coffee Break
- 3.00 pm Parallel Panels III and IV

Panel III. "The Most Trusted Name in News?": Television from Political Commentary to Parody
Panel Chair: Alexander Starre
Sarah Archino: Performing Stephen Colbert: Parafiction, Truthiness, and Super PACs
Jasmin Humburg: In Gold We Trust? Peniaphobia and

the (In)security of Wealth in U.S. Television Shows
Curd Knüpfer: Trustworthy Sources? News Media Bias and Trust in American Politics

Panel IV. American Borders: The Ethnic Other's Relation to Security and Trust
Panel Chair: Martin Lütke
Ina Batzke: (De)Stabilized TRUST in the Nation? The Difficulty of Including "Other" People
Aleksandra Holubowicz: Border Security as the Solution to Complex Borderlands Problems
Sara Swerdlyk: The "Securitization" of Romani Migration: New Insights from the Canadian Case

- 4.30 pm Refreshments
- 5.00 pm Keynote: Martin Hartmann, The Decline of Trust: Myth or Fact?
- 6.30 pm Reception

Saturday 10th May

- 9.00 am Coffee and Registration
- 9.30 am Keynote: Susan Castillo, Trust, Civility, and the Shadow of Jamestown
- 11.00 am Breakfast Reception
- 11.30 am Parallel Panels V and VI

Panel V. Faltering Communities: Sociological Perspectives on Trust and Fear in American Society
Panel Chair: Markus Kienscherf
Emanuela Burini: Urban Fear and Social Insecurity: The Phenomenon of Gated Communities in North America
Nathan Vanderpool: The Interfaith Anchor: A Trust-Building Tool for Achieving Religious Pluralism
Branko Woischwill: Taxi Drivers and the Problem of Trust

Panel VI. Visibility, Surveillance, and Control: Mediation and the Power of the Image in American Culture

Panel Chair: Simon Schleusener
Ilka Brasch: Negotiating Trust and Surveillance in the Film Serial *The Exploits of Elaine* (1915)
Daniela Agostinho: Aesthetics of Distrust: Transparency, Opacity and War in Brian de Palma's *Redacted* (2007)
Wiebke Kartheus: Can We Trust Our Eyes? Edward Snowden and the Image of the Empty Seat

- 1.00 pm Lunch Break
- 2.15 pm Parallel Panels VII and VIII

Panel VII. Between Soft Power and Warfare: Trust and Security in North American Intelligence and Foreign Policy
Panel Chair: Christian Lammert
Sarah Earnshaw: Engendering Trust in U.S. Post-Cold War Foreign Policy: A Foucauldian Analysis of the Construction of Dominant Security Threats
Eva Jobs: A Trustworthy Transatlantic Joint Venture?
Mark Neufeld: Trust and Distrust in the Canadian Polity: Domestic and Foreign Policy Implications

Panel VIII. Uncertain Times: Trust and Trauma in American Literature after 2000
Panel Chair: Thomas Dikant
Florian Gross: "Hey, If You Can't Trust Another Kugelblitz Mom?": 9/11, The Dot-Com Bubble and Family in Thomas Pynchon's *Bleeding Edge*
Julian Henneberg: In Search of the "Third Culture": Technoscience, Truth, and Trust in the Work of Richard Powers
Birte Wege: "Weapons of Mass Displacement": In the Shadow of No Towers and the War of Images

- 3.45 pm Coffee Break
- 4.00 pm Concluding Panel
Panel Chairs: Talel Ben Jemia and Nikolas Keßels
- 5.30 pm Farewell Reception