



Reparation and Restitution in German History and Politics: A Reassessment

Graduiertenkolleg Duitsland Instituut Amsterdam, 7 February 2024

Programme

9.00

Registration

9.30 – 10.00

Welcome and Introduction

Hanco Jürgens, Duitsland Instituut Amsterdam
Opening Remarks

Lorena De Vita, Utrecht University
Reparation and Restitution in German History and Politics:
What 'Reassessment'?

10.00 – 12.30

**Panel 1: German Reparations in International History
and International Relations**

Chair: Lorena de Vita

Iona Mitchell, Utrecht University
The Treaty of Versailles and how the role of German politicians and
German public opinion shaped perceptions of it and its consequences.
Comments: Mario Daniels, DIA

Nia Raycheva, Utrecht University
The United States and German Reparations:
Between Security and Restoration 1943-1946
Comments: Mario Daniels, DIA

Noa Swisa, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Reparations Agreement: the first step towards a special relationship
Comments: Hanco Jürgens, DIA

12.30 – 13.30

Lunch Break

13.30-15.00

Panel 2: Compensation for Sinti and Roma: New Research Directions

Chair: Moritz Föllmer, UvA

Joey Rauschenberger, Heidelberg University
Proximity and Distance in Compensation for Sinti and Roma. The
compensation procedure as a zone of contact and negotiation
Comments: Hanco Jürgens, DIA

Verena Meier, Heidelberg University

New Perspectives on the Recognition of Sinti and Roma as “Victims of Fascism” in the Soviet Occupied Zone and GDR

Comments: Krijn Thijs, DIA

15.00 - 15.15

Coffee Break

15.15-16.45 Panel 3: Collecting and Returning

Chair: Hanco Jürgens, DIA

Daniël Hendrikse, Cultural Heritage Agency, Amersfoort

Germans at the allied Collecting Points: locating, rescuing and returning lost and looted art at the end of World War II

Comments: Krijn Thijs, DIA

Leah Niederhausen, NIOD

Restitution and Memory. The Past Made Present in Nazi and Colonial Restitution in Germany since 1945

Comments: Lorena de Vita, UU

16.45 - 17.00

Comments, Discussion and Final Remarks

20.00-21.30

Amsterdam German Studies Lecture, Spui 25

Constantin Goschler, Ruhr University Bochum, Spui 25, public lecture

[Waves of restitution, reparation and cultural memory after the Second World War](#)

Moderator: Hanco Jürgens

Comments: Lorena De Vita