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THE ROLE OF SMALL STATES AND TRANSNATIONAL NETWORKS

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PROGRAMM

MONDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2016

09.30–10.00 Welcome and Introduction
Michael Gehler | INZ/OeAW

10.00–12.00 Panel 1 – Austria, Switzerland and Ireland
Chair: Michael Gehler | INZ/OeAW
Maximilian Graf | Department of Contemporary History of the University of Vienna
Austria and German (Re)Unification
Georg Kreis | Europainstitut, Universität Basel
Switzerland and German Reunification
Mervyn O’Driscoll | Department of History, University College Cork
Assisting the creation of a new Europe? Ireland, 1987–1995

12.00–13.30 LUNCH BREAK

13.30–16.00 Panel 2 – Scandinavian attitudes
Chair: Maximilian Graf | Department of Contemporary History of the University of Vienna
Hans Otto Frøland | Norwegian University of Science and Technology Trondheim
Norway and German Reunification
Thorsten Borrøg Olsen – Niels Wium Olesen | Aarhus University
Denmark and German Reunification: A Delicate Balance
Aryo Makko | Stockholm University
The Road to Salvation? Swedish Perceptions of Europe and the Question of German Reunification
Marjo Uutela | University of Helsinki
Finland in the Footsteps of Germany

16.00–16.30 COFFEE BREAK

16.30–18.00 Panel 3 – Southern European Perspectives
Chair: Philipp Greilinger | INZ/OeAW
Andreas Stergiou | University of Thessaly
Greece, German Reunification and the 1995 EU-Enlargement
David Schriff | INZ/OeAW
Portugal and German Reunification

TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2016

09.00–11.00 Panel 4 – Benelux
Chair: Michael Gehler | INZ/OeAW
Jan van der Harst – Anjo G. Harryvan | University of Groningen
Steven Van Hecke | KU Leuven
Belgium and its Old and New Eastern Neighbours. Walking in German Footsteps
Siebo M. H. Janssen | University of Cologne
The Foreign and European Politics of Luxembourg between 1988 and today

11.00–11.30 COFFEE BREAK

11.30–13.00 Panel 5 – Transnational Party Networks
Chair: Helmut Wohnout | Karl von Vogelsang-Institute, Vienna
Michael Gehler | INZ/OeAW
The European Democrat Union and the Revolutionary Events in Central Europe
Giovanni Bernardini | Italian-German Historical Institute, Trento
The Socialist International and German Reunification, 1989–1992
Followed by a final discussion