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1999

23 October – 30 October
Schloß Hubertushöhe, Berlin, London

UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF

H.E. Her Majesty's Ambassador of the United Kingdom
to the Federal Republic of Germany

H.E. The Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany
to the Court of St. James

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AGENDA

22 OCTOBER • SUNDAY

- 12.00 meeting at: Hotel Maritim ProArte, Lobby
Friedrichstraße 151,
10117 Berlin-Mitte
Tel 030.2033-5 · Fax 030.2033-4209
depart for Schloßhotel Hubertushöhe, by coach
- 14.00 check in at: Schloßhotel Hubertushöhe,
Robert-Koch-Straße1
15859 Storkow
Tel 033678.43-0 · Fax 033678.43-100
buffet lunch
- 15.00 introduction to the Conference
Peter Littger, IJP
Richard Edgar, IJP
introduction of the participants
coffee break
- 16.00 group workshops
- 18.00 opening briefing and discussion
Press or Press Gang:
Does the media poison the relationship between Britain and Germany?
Jürgen Krönig, UK-correspondent for Die Zeit
- 20.30 followed by dinner

24 OCTOBER • SUNDAY

- 10.00 breakfast
- 11.00 presentation of given workshop-topics
- 13.00 lunch
- 17.00 depart for Berlin
- 18.00 check-in at: Hotel Ermelerhaus
Wallstraße 70-73
10179 Berlin-Mitte
Tel 030.24062-0 · Fax 030.24062-222
- 20.00 meeting at: Restaurant Tucher
Pariser Platz
10177 Berlin-Mitte

speech

Germany's new role in Europe and in the transatlantic world

Dr. Hermann von Richthofen,

Chairman of the Deutsch-Englische Gesellschaft,
former German ambassador to the Court of St. James
and to NATO followed by dinner with programme
alumni

25 OCTOBER • MONDAY

- 8.30 breakfast
- 9.00 **The New Berlin**
a guided coach-tour through the new centre of Berlin
- 10.30 visit to the Reichstag parliament building
- 12.00 meeting at: Bankgesellschaft Berlin
Alexanderplatz 2
10178 Berlin-Mitte
- briefing and discussion

Will Berlin ever be attractive for big business?

Dr. Heinz Grimm, ,

chief-economist of Bankgesellschaft Berlin

Thomas Heilmann,

partner of Scholz & Friends Berlin advertising and
PR group

followed by lunch

14.30 meeting at: Parlamentarische Gesellschaft

Ebertstraße30

10117 Berlin-Mitte

briefing and discussion

Black times for the Greens: A reform process or withering

away?

Matthias Berninger (MdB),

„Realo-coordinator“ of the Green Party

17.00 meeting at: Mauergedenkstätte Bernauerstraße

Bernauerstraße 111

13355 Berlin

briefing and discussion

Hopes and regrets ten years after the wall came down

Angelika Barbe (CDU),

member of „Runder Tisch“ in 1989/90 and former MdB

Martin Gutzeit (SPD),

in 1989, initiator of the SPD in East-Germany,

now: Berlin Secretary for the examination of the Stasi-files

26 OCTOBER • TUESDAY

8.30 breakfast

10.45 meeting at: Reichstag

Platz der Republik 1 (Raum 3 S040)

11011 Berlin-Tiergarten

briefing and discussion

Happy Red Socks -

the PDS as a melting pot of GDR apparatschiks and their victims

Petra Pau, PDS Berlin party-leader (MdB)

11.45 meeting at: Hauptstadtstudio of ARD

Wilhelmstraße 67

10117 Berlin-Mitte

briefing and discussion

One year with the Schröder government -could the CDU do any better?

Matthias Wissmann,

CDU party-board member (MdB), CDU-Speaker for economic and technological affairs; former federal minister for transport

13.15 same venue:

briefing and discussion

Always look to the East: The defined role for Germany in the EU

Dr. Friedbert Pflüger ,

CDU party-board member (MdB),

Head of the Bundestag-Committee for EU affairs

followed by lunch

14.30 same venue:

discussion

Are the cosy days of Bonn over now?

The new relationship between media and politics in Berlin

Eva Christiansen,

CDU spokeswoman

Ulrich Deppendorf,

editor-in-chief of ARD Television

Michael Donnermeyer ,

spokesman of the SPD Party Board

Toni Patterson,

Berlin correspondent for The Guardian and The Sunday Telegraph

19.00 meeting at: British Residence
Höhmannstraße
Berlin-Grunewald

briefing and discussion

And now a word from our sponsor ...

Sir Paul Lever,

H.M.'s Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany
(co-patron)

followed by dinner with sponsors of the programme and with
representatives of different departments of the British Embassy

27 OCTOBER • WEDNESDAY

7.00 Germans: breakfast, hotel check-out

transfer to: airport Berlin-Tegel

8.25 LH 2308/LH 4518 (arrival 11.55 h)

9.00 Brits: breakfast, hotel check-out

transfer to: airport Berlin-Tegel

11.00 BA 991 (arrival 12.05)

12.15 transfer to: Hotel St. James Court

Buckingham Gate

SW1E 6AF London

Tel 0171.834665 · Fax 0171.6307587

15.15 meeting at: Congress Club

1 Great Peter Street

SW1 London

briefing and discussion

What future for the Lords?

Lord strathclyde,

Conservative Party leader in the House of Lords

16.00 same venue:

briefing and discussion

Devolution - the situation in Wales

Rhodri Morgan, Labour MP

19.30 meeting at: The Groucho Club
45 Dean Street
London-Soho

dinner with programme-alumni
after-dinner speech

Attention! Blair is creating a one-party system

Bob Marshall Andrew, Labour MP

28 OCTOBER • THURSDAY

8.30 breakfast

9.30 meeting at: Congress Club
1 Great Peter Street
SW1 London

briefing and discussion

Northern Ireland -Will the Assembly ever sit?

Conor Murphy, Sinn Fein

Jonny Diamond, BBC World Service

10.30 coffee break

11.00 same venue:

continuation of the discussion on Northern Ireland:

Geoffrey Donaldson,

MP, Ulster Unionist

Bernard Purcell ,

Irish Independent (London)

Helen Jackson,

Mo Mowlam's PPS

12.10 meeting at: Central Lobby
Palace of Westminster
SW1 London

tour of the Houses of Parliament, guided by

Lord Graham of Edmonton

13.00 meeting at: Congress Club (s.a.)

lunch-speech

Third Party Politics in Britain

Rt Hon Charles Kennedy,

MP, leader of Liberal Democrats

14.30

same venue:

briefing and discussion

Ethnic Minority representation in and by the media

-stereotyping and the public's attitude to multiculturalism

Peter Bottomley , Conservative MP

Suresh Grover, the monitoring group

Michael Hastings, Director of Public Affairs at the BBC

Chris Myant, Senior Press Officer of the Commission for

Racial Equality

17.00

transfer to: German Embassy

23 Belgrave Square

SW1 London

briefing and discussion

The covering of Germany in the British press

Dr. Hans-Friedrich von Ploetz,

Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to the

Court of St. James (co-patron)

18.30

followed by a reception

21.00

meeting in: The Cabinet War Rooms

Entrance: King Charles Street

Don't mention the war

-or have we finally and fully come to terms with the past?

Prof Dr. Richard Grayson

29 OCTOBER • FRIDAY

8.30 breakfast

10.00 meeting at: ITN Building
200 Gray Inn's Road (Boardroom)
WC1 London

round-table discussion

Media and politics in Britain

-do we care anymore about our politicians' peccadilloes?

Michael Gove, The Times

Simon Walters, The Mail on Sunday

Michael White, The Guardian

Liam Halligan, ITN Correspondent

followed by lunch-buffet in the boardroom

15.00 meeting at: The Chop House
36E Shad Thames
SE1 London

guided tour through the Butlers Wharf

The Terence Conran phenomenon

Yola Drage, Conran's Marketing Manager

10.00 meeting at: Foreign and Commonwealth Office
King Charles Street
SW1 London

briefing and discussion

Britain within or without Europe?

Ed Hobart, FCO Press/Information Officer

Thomas Kielinger / UK-correspondent for Die Welt

30 OCTOBER • SATURDAY

- 10.30 meeting at: Edwardian II boardroom
St James Court Hotel
breakfast and feedback session of the conference
- 12.00 end of conference
- 15.00 transfers to: Airport London Heathrow
- 17.05 Germans: LH 4601 to Frankfurt,
individual connecting flights

**The 13th British-German Journalists' Conference
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of the British-German Journalists' Bursary 1999**

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The annual British-German Journalists' Conference was established in 1986 after a state visit of Bundespräsident Richard von Weizsäcker to the UK.

Since then, ten British and ten German journalists have come together for a week of discussions and briefings each year with politicians, academics and leaders in business and media.

In 1995, IJP set up its then fourth bilateral exchange programme for journalists, **the British-German Bursary Programme**.

Each year, the programme is a unique career opportunity for ten British and German journalists to explore their areas of interest and expand their professional experience by working for six to eight weeks for a media organisation in the other country.

The bursary amount is £1,800 or 5.000 DM.

Both schemes, the conference and the bursary, are supported by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (London) and the Bundespresseamt (Berlin) and by British and German companies. Fazit-Foundation of the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung has been the main sponsor of the Conference for many years.

The British-German Journalists' Conference 1999 has convened more than 35 speakers for briefings and background talks. Among the UK speakers were for example Peter Bottomley, Charles Kennedy, Lord Strathclyde. German speakers were e.g. Matthias Berninger, Ulrich Deppendorf, Friedbert Pflüger, Petra Pau, Matthias Wissmann.

IJP – Internationale Journalisten-Programme is an association based in Germany and similar to a charitable educational trust. Currently, IJP offers bursary schemes for journalists from Germany, Asia-Pacific, the Netherlands, Latin-America, Northern Europe, South-Africa, the USA and the UK.

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