

# Cultures of Compromise and Liberal Democracy after World War II

German Historical Institute London  
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4 – 6 July, 2024

Conference organised by the German Historical Institute London in conjunction with the  
London School of Economics and the Gerda Henkel Foundation.

Convenor: Constantin Goschler

## Thursday, 4 July 2024

- 15:30 – 16:00      Arrival and registration
- 16:00 – 16:30      Welcome: *Christina von Hodenberg (GHI London) and N.N. (London School of Economics)*  
Welcome and introduction: *Constantin Goschler (Ruhr-University Bochum)*
- 16:30 – 18:00      **New approaches to the study of cultures of compromise**  
Chair: *N.N.*  
*Ulrich Willems (University of Münster)*  
Rethinking Cultures of Compromise  
*Hendrik de Boer (University of Duisburg-Essen)*  
Cultures of Compromise in Historical Perspective
- 19:00 – 20.30      Conference Dinner

## Friday, 5 July 2024

- 9:15 – 11:00      **Compromise as democratic virtue?**  
Chair: Pascale Siegrist (GHIL)  
*Tabea Nasaroff (University of Freiburg i.Br.)*  
Teaching Compromise? Political Science and the Transfer of Liberal Democracy  
*Stefan Zeppenfeld (Ruhr-University Bochum)*  
Compromise in German Everyday Culture  
*Ronny Grundig (IFZO Greifswald)*  
Compromise in Neighbourhood conflicts?

- 11:00 – 11:30      Tea & Coffee
- 11:30 – 13:15      **Compromise as Parliamentary Practice**  
Chair: *Clemens Villingner (GHIL)*  
*Siegfried Weichlein (University of Fribourg)*  
Federalism and Compromise in Switzerland  
  
*Philipp Nielsen (Yale University)*  
Budget and Compromise  
  
*Constantin Goschler (Ruhr-University Bochum)*  
Yes, No, In Between. Plebiscite and Compromise in the Political Culture  
of the Federal Republic
- 13:15 – 14:15      Sandwich Lunch
- 14:15 – 16:00      **Compromise in International Relations**  
Chair: *Dina Gusejnova (LSE)*  
  
*Piers Ludlow (London School of Economics)*  
The EU and the Luxembourg Compromise  
  
*Stefan Pulte (Ruhr-University Bochum)*  
NATO: Compromise and Security  
  
*Ute Schneider (University of Duisburg-Essen)*  
Compromise and Diplomacy
- 16:00 – 16:30      Coffee & Tea
- 16:30 – 18:00      **Keynote Lecture**  
  
Chair: *Frank Trentmann (Birkbeck College, University of London)*  
  
Keynote:            *Martin Conway (University of Cambridge)*  
                         (Title t.b.a.)
- 18:00 – 20:00      Canapé Reception

**Saturday, 6 July 2024**

9:30 – 11:00

**The Limits of Compromise**

Chair: Indra Sengupta (GHIL)

*Leonie Freudenfeld (Ruhr-University Bochum)*

Compromise and Post-Colonialism: The War on Monuments in Britain and Germany

*Kirsten E. Schulze (London School of Economics)*

Compromise between Israel and Palestinians?

11:00 – 11:30

Tea and Coffee

11:30 – 12:30

**Concluding Round Table Discussion: Cultures of Compromise and Liberal Democracy: From Success Narrative to Crisis Discourse?**

Chair: *Constantin Goschler (Ruhr-University Bochum)*

Participants: **N.N.**