

**Workshop Program**

March 31 - April 1, 2022

# TURNING POINTS IN DEMOCRACIES

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# WORKSHOP DAY I

**Thursday, March 31, 2022**

13:30-13:50	<b>WELCOME ROUND</b>	
14:00-16:00	<b>(POST-)MERKEL</b>	<b>DIGITALISATION</b>
	<p><b>New coalition – new governing style?</b><sup>4</sup> Andrea Römmele (Hertie School of Governance)</p> <p><b>Let us now Praise Great Women. German Leadership in Europe in Times of Crises</b> Alexander Reichwein (Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen)</p> <p><b>The hurdled path of Lobbying transparency in Europe – Assessing the German turning point at the end of the Merkel era</b><sup>4</sup> Sandra Plümer, Maximilian Schiffers (Universität Duisburg-Essen)</p>	<p><b>Towards a European High Tech Capitalism: The EU Digitalisation Strategy on a Turning Point after COVID-19</b><sup>2</sup> Joscha Abels, Hans-Jürgen Bieling, Sarrah Kassem (Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen)</p> <p><b>Turning Points in Practice: How Digitalization changed the Intelligence Agencies' Practices of Intelligence Collection and Analysis</b><sup>2</sup> Susanne Fischer (Hochschule des Bundes für öffentliche Verwaltung)</p> <p><b>Digitalization, Trumpismo, and the Breaking Point of the Pax Americana</b> Daniel Lorberg (Bergische Universität Wuppertal), Holger Janusch (Hochschule des Bundes für öffentliche Verwaltung)</p>
16:00-16:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
16:30-18:30	<b>TRUMP &amp; BIDEN</b>	<b>TIPPING POINTS &amp; CRISES</b>
	<p><b>All New or Same Old? A Historical Institutionalist Perspective on Transatlantic Trade and Security Cooperation after Trump</b><sup>3</sup> Elisabeth Winter (Bundeskanzler-Helmut-Schmidt-Stiftung)</p> <p><b>Afghanistan: The Trump-Biden Transition as a Turning Point</b><sup>3</sup> John Callahan (New England College)</p> <p><b>The American Public and Trump's Trade War with China: Critical Junctures and Bounded Rationality in New Liberalism</b> Holger Janusch (Hochschule des Bundes für öffentliche Verwaltung), Daniel Lorberg (Bergische Universität Wuppertal)</p>	<p><b>Tipping Points in Climate Change: Science, Politics and the Public Debate</b><sup>5</sup> Sarah Beringer (German Historical Institute Washington, DC)</p> <p><b>Tipping Points: How should we respond when systems become unhinged?</b><sup>4</sup> Nils Goldschmidt (Universität Siegen)</p> <p><b>Enduring Crises as Path-Dependency? Constructions and Functionality of Critical Junctures</b><sup>1</sup> Martin Florack (Landtag Rheinland-Pfalz)</p>
18:30-18:40	<i>Coffee break</i>	
18:40-19:00	<b>Q&amp;A: GUIDE LINES AND EDITED VOLUME</b>	
19:00-Open End	<i>Dinner</i>	

## WORKSHOP DAY II

**Friday, April 1, 2022**

9:00-11:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>BREXIT</b></p> <p><b>The Domestic Politics of De-Globalization<sup>3</sup></b> Stefan Schirm (Ruhr Universität Bochum)</p> <p><b>Brexit: From ever closer to ever looser Union?<sup>4</sup></b> Oliver Schwarz (Universität Duisburg-Essen)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MIGRATION</b></p> <p><b>Turning Points and Parliamentary Speech: Discussing Migration in the German Bundestag<sup>4</sup></b> Julia Rakers (Universität Duisburg-Essen)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STRATEGY &amp; THREATS</b></p> <p><b>Coping with endemic uncertainty: Lessons from a Peace and Conflict Research Perspective<sup>5</sup></b> Nora Schrader-Rashidkhan (Universität Duisburg-Essen)</p> <p><b>Uncertainty in Strategy: The Ability of the EU Foreign Policy to Act in Unstable Times<sup>5</sup></b> Marcel Turlach (Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn)</p> <p><b>The Emergent Discourse on Risks and Global Threats: An Analysis of Contemporary Empirical Evidence in Scientific Journals<sup>5</sup></b> Rogelio Madrueño (Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn)</p>
11:00-11:30		<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30-13:30	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PANDEMIC</b></p> <p><b>From Health Care to Public Health? The Corona Pandemic as a Potential Turning Point in German Health Policy?<sup>1</sup></b> Benjamin Ewert (Hochschule Fulda)</p> <p><b>The Pandemic as Turning Point for the Global Balance of Power: A Neorealist Perspective<sup>1</sup></b> Hubert Zimmermann (Philipps-Universität Marburg)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ARAB WORLD</b></p> <p><b>The Turning Points that Weren't: The Circularity of Realism in Western Policies toward the Arab World<sup>1</sup></b> Lars Berger (Hochschule des Bundes für öffentliche Verwaltung)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NORMS</b></p> <p><b>The Role of Norms in Political Change: A Constructivist Analysis of Feminist Foreign Policy<sup>3</sup></b> Julia Herrmann (Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg)</p> <p><b>Interreligious Dialogues and the Norm of Religious Freedom: 9/11 and Clash of Civilizations as Turning Points<sup>5</sup></b> Helmut Breitmeier, Julia Drubel, Christopher Finke (Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHINA</b></p> <p><b>Connecting and Disconnecting: The Limits of the US and EU responses to China's Belt &amp; Road Initiative</b> Witold Mucha (Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf)</p>
13:30-14:15		<i>Lunch</i>
14:15-15:15	<b>CLOSING DISCUSSION ROUND: CONCEPTUAL VARIETY OF TURNING POINTS</b>	
15:15-Open End		<i>Farewell &amp; Coffee to Go</i>

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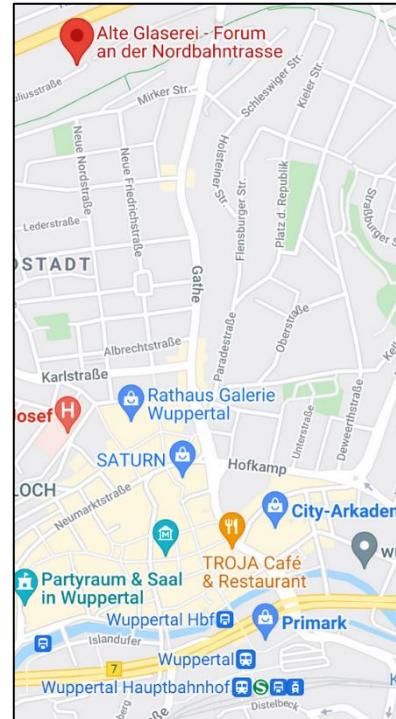
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The protection of all participants is our highest priority. On site, we will adhere to the applicable corona protection measures of the state of North Rhine-Westphalia. Regardless of the applicable corona protection measures, we ask all participants, even if vaccinated, to take a Rapid Covid-19 antigen self-test prior to arrival. In addition, we will provide a self-test for all participants on site. We will also prepare the option of online participation.

### Venue

The workshop will be held at the 'Alte Glaserei – Forum an der Nordbahntrasse' in Wuppertal. The venue can be easily reached on walking distance (25 min) or by bus (620, 625, 635, 645) from Wuppertal's main train station or the Hotel Flemings.

Alte Glaserei – Forum an der Nordbahntrasse  
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### Accommodation

You will stay at "Flemings Hotel" in Wuppertal. The costs for accommodation and breakfast will be covered. The hotel is located directly at the Wuppertal train station and within walking distance of the venue. Check-in is possible from 2 p.m, check-out is until 12 p.m.

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