

opinion leaders, and educators become the organizers of a branded reconciliation world congress. Panelists will examine these potential activities from the perspective of their uniqueness and feasibility to be carried out by the center.

The choice of the center's structure will partly depend on the selected activities. But the center will be international in terms of faculty, students, and projects. Panelists will discuss structures ranging from faculty and student exchanges to joint university research and the formation of a consortium of international universities (primarily from countries with European reconciliation experience and of those countries which may benefit from this experience).

Panel leader: Werner Hein

Discussants: Martin Leiner, Günther Schlee, Daqing Yang

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break

16:00 – 17:00 Conclusions

Discussion of how to conceive and realize an International Center for Reconciliation in Halle.

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International Workshop

**"Conflict Resolution, Remembrance, and Justice:
Towards an International Center for Reconciliation"**

16.–18.07.2014

Venue

Introductory lecture:
Research Cluster "Society and Culture in Motion",
seminar room, Reichardtstr. 6, 06114 Halle

Panels 1-4: IZEA, "Christian Thomasius" room
Franckeplatz 1, Haus 54, 06108 Halle

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Program

16.07.2014

Venue: Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg
Research Cluster "Society and Culture in Motion",
seminar room, Reichardtstr. 6, 06114 Halle

18:00 – 20:00 **Introductory lecture**

Christian Tietje: "Reconciliation and Peaceful Settlement of Disputes in Public International Law"

After the talk, there will be wine, beer, and other beverages.

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17.07.2014

Venue: Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg
IZEA, "Christian Tomasius" room, Franckeplatz 1,
Haus 54, 06108 Halle

10:30 – 11:00 **Welcome and introduction**

Martin Leiner, Ralph Buchenhorst, James Thompson

11:00 – 13:00 **Panel 1**

Need assessment: The current status and future direction of conflict resolution and reconciliation studies in Germany and the world

Conflict resolution studies may be differentiated according to the addressed conflict phase (pre-, during, and post-conflict) and the venue of conflict (domestic, cross-border, regional) as well as the type of study activities or outcomes such as research, teaching, and policy setting. Using this differentiation, panelists will examine the current and expected future supply of these academic and practical "services" as well as the demand from the private and public sectors. Panelists will also assess the importance conflict resolution and its study have for helping to ensure societal and international peace.

Panel leader: Andreas Heinemann-Grüder

Discussants: Martin Leiner, Wolfgang Form, Giulia Daniele

13:00 – 14:00 **Lunch break**

14:00 – 16:00 **Panel 2 / 1st part**

**Reconciliation as (post-)conflict resolution:
Essential components of reconciliation processes**

As the reconciliation processes in central Europe and other parts of the world show, a number of elements need to work together to lead to reconciliation. These elements usually consist of measures addressing a specific set of historic memory (memory discourse, history education), harm and injustices (transitional justice), lack of societal security and well-being (trust building through legal, economic, and symbolic actions by political and civil society organizations). Panelists will distill core principles and elements by reviewing certain reconciliation cases.

Panel leader: Lily Gardner-Feldman

Discussants: Knut Dethlefsen, Alice Karekezi, Matthias Kaufmann

16:00 – 16:30 **Coffee break**

16:30 – 18:00 **Panel 2 / 2nd part**

**Reconciliation as (post-)conflict resolution:
Essential components of reconciliation processes**

Panel leader: Lily Gardner-Feldman

Discussants: Cyrille Koné, Ralf K. Wüstenberg

19:00 **Joint dinner**

Osteria "Da Salvatore", Bergstr. 7, 06108 Halle

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18.07.2014

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10:00 – 12:30 **Panel 3**

What could the study of the reconciliation experience of Central Europe contribute to the reconciliation in other world regions? Are those local experiences translatable at all, and if so, is such a translation desirable?

Central Europe's post-war reconciliation is widely seen as exemplary in the world. At the same time, it is clear that it does not provide a „blueprint“ for other regions in the world, given that any reconciliation process depend on the specific historic, political, and societal conditions of the given groups or nations. Panelists will present possibly transferable reconciliation elements and identify their contextual dependencies. They will also discuss whether and how a concentrated study of the Central European case may lead to study and reconciliation practices in other selected countries of, for example, Eastern Europe and East Asia.

Panel leaders: James Thompson, Ralph Buchenhorst

Discussants: Lily Gardner-Feldman, Armin Höland, Yvonne Kleinmann, Werner Nell

12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch break**

13:30 – 16:00 **Panel 4**

What are the unique tasks and potential structure of an international reconciliation center in Germany?

The center could take up a variety of activities: conduct advanced research in the area of conflict resolution and reconciliation (including the development of reconciliation strategies and "best practices"); serve as a clearing house of potentially global reconciliation research along with coordinating research in Europe; train conflict mediators and reconciliation facilitators; develop policies that aim to influence political and societal decision makers,