

HERRENHAUSEN CONFERENCE, SEPTEMBER 11-13, 2022

GOVERNING HUMANITARIANISM:

THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE OF GLOBAL EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

HERRENHAUSEN PALACE, HANOVER, GERMANY

Humanitarian organisations across the globe face growing challenges in delivering aid, securing funds and maintaining public confidence. Trade-offs between sovereignty, democracy, security, development, identity and human rights have become highly complex. Self-appointed guardians of the public conscience are now also major sub-contractors of governments, sometimes critics of the very institutions they rely on for funds. The Herrenhausen Conference “Governing Humanitarianism” interrogates present issues and future directions for global humanitarian governance in relation to its pasts, highlighting lessons to be learned from historical events and practices. It asks if humanitarian expansion has come at the expense of core values and effective intervention, and how the pursuit of global equity and social justice can, and has been pursued through shifting global and local power structures. How can we rethink the future direction of humanitarian governance in the world, particularly given the impacts of the coronavirus pandemic and climate emergency? How can shifting power relations be reconciled with the pursuit of global equity and social justice? What would a different way of working, more attuned to the realities now faced by global organisations, donors and recipient communities, actually look like? What will be the characteristics of successful humanitarian international NGOs in ten years' time? The Herrenhausen Conference seeks to bridge the various gaps between disciplines, scholarship and practice as well as the national, international and global spheres of analysis. It actively involves early career scholars and established academics with leading members from the field of international action in the debate on the past, present, and future of global humanitarian governance. Please visit the conference website for [more information](#).

PROGRAM

SUNDAY, SEPT 11, 2022

7:00 P.M. RECEPTION AND DINNER FOR SPEAKERS, CHAIRS AND EARLY CAREER FELLOWS

MONDAY, SEPT 12, 2022

8:30 A.M. REGISTRATION AND COFFEE

9:00 A.M. WELCOME

GEORG SCHÜTTE
Volkswagen Foundation, Hanover, Germany

FABIAN KLOSE
University of Cologne, Germany

9:20 A.M. KEYNOTE

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The Digital Transformation of Humanitarian Action

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Chair: ANDREW THOMPSON

University of Oxford, United Kingdom

10:15 A.M. COFFEE BREAK

10:30 A.M. PART I

Humanitarianism as Global Networks and Activism

Dialogue:

MIKE AARONSON

University of Surrey, former Director General of Save the Children UK
1995 – 2005, Guildford, United Kingdom

JULIA IRWIN

University of South Florida Tampa, USA

ELISABETH PILLER

University of Freiburg, Germany

11:45 A.M. PART II

Gendering Humanitarianism

Speakers:

KATHARINA STORNIG

University of Gießen, Germany

BETH REBISZ

University of Reading, United Kingdom

Comment:

DOLORES MARTÍN MORUNO

University of Geneva, Switzerland

Chair: SILVIA SALVATICI

University of Milan, Italy

1:00 P.M. LUNCH

2:00 P.M. PART III

Humanitarianism and International Law

Dialogue :

MURRAY HUNT QC

Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law, London, United Kingdom

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NATALIA JEVGELSKAJA

University of New South Wales / Australia Defence Force Academy –
Canberra, Australia

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3:00 P.M. COFFEE BREAK

3:30 P.M. PARALLEL WORKSHOPS

Workshop 1: Humanitarianism in Conflict Situations

Chairs:

CEDRIC COTTER

International Committee of the Red Cross, Geneva, Switzerland

MELANIE OPPENHEIMER

Flinders University, Adelaide, Australia

Workshop 2: Refugee Protections

Chairs:

BASTIAAN BOUWMAN

Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, Princeton, USA

ISABELLA LÖHR

Institute for Migration Studies and Intercultural Research, Osnabrück University, Germany

Workshop 3: Intercultural Approaches to Humanitarian Activities

Chairs:

JIHANE CHEDOUKI

Forum Transregionale Studien, Berlin, Germany

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Workshop 4: Humanitarian Advocacy Techniques

Chairs:

KEVIN O'SULLIVAN

National University of Ireland, Galway, Ireland

JOANNA SIMONOW

Käte Hamburger Kolleg / Centre for Global Cooperation Research, University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany

Workshop 5: Creating a New United Nations: Responsibility in Humanitarianism

Chairs:

NEVILLE WYLIE

University of Stirling, Scotland

ARVID SCHORS

University of Cologne, Germany

5:30 P.M. PRESENTATION OF BRIEFING NOTES

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6:30 P.M. DINNER

TUESDAY, SEPT 13, 2022

9:00 A.M. PART IV
Humanitarian Political and Moral Economy

Speakers:

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Comment: N.N.

Chair: MARC PALEN
University of Exeter, United Kingdom

10:00 A.M. COFFEE BREAK

10:30 A.M. PART V
Media and Humanitarianism

Dialogue:

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KATE WRIGHT
University of Edinburgh, Scotland

SONYA DE LAAT
McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada

11:45 A.M. KEYNOTE

*Berlin 2015 – Europe – the Middle East: On the Entanglement of
Historical Research, Humanitarian Issues and Politics*

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Chair: STACEY HYND
University of Exeter, United Kingdom

12:30 P.M. LUNCH

1:30 P.M. PART VI
Humanitarianism, Development and Global Human Rights

Speakers:

AYAN MAHAMOUD
Resident representative of Somaliland to the UK & Commonwealth

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JAN ECKEL
University of Tübingen, Germany

Comment:
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Chair: N.N.

3:00 P.M. COFFEE BREAK

3:30 P.M. FINAL DISCUSSION

Chair: RICHARD REID
University of Oxford, United Kingdom

4:30 P.M. END OF CONFERENCE

5:00 P.M. FEEDBACK SESSION WITH TRAVEL GRANT HOLDERS

7:00 P.M. PUBLIC PANEL DISCUSSION
Humanitäres Handeln in der Krise –
Wie können wir noch helfen?

MARKUS N. BEEKO
Amnesty International, Germany

JOHANNES PAULMANN
Leibniz Institute of European History, Mainz, Germany

Moderation: N.N., Deutschlandfunk Kultur

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