



15th International Conference of Editors of Diplomatic Documents **5 – 7 June 2019 in Berlin**

Conference Programme

Wednesday, 5 June

18:00 – 21:00 h: Opening reception, Hans-Dietrich Genscher-Forum, Federal Foreign Office
hosted by Christina Beinhoff (Deputy Director-General for Infrastructure and Security, Federal Foreign Office)

Thursday, 6 June

09:00 – 09:30 h: Arrival at the conference venue and registration (Federal Foreign Office, Europasaal)

09:30 h: Opening of the conference: Official welcome by Maria Margarete Gosse (Director-General for Central Services, Federal Foreign Office), and Andreas Wirsching (Director, Institute for Contemporary History Munich–Berlin)

10:00-10:30 h: Marc Dierikx (Netherlands) and Sacha Zala (Switzerland):
Presentation of the joint edition: “When the Wall Came Down”

10:30-11:30 h: Session 1: The chances and risks of transnational cooperation in editing
Chair: Matthias Peter
Sacha Zala (Switzerland): Publishing Diplomatic Documents of the Counterpart?
Carola Tischler (Germany): German-Russian Edition on German-Soviet Relations
1933-1941

11:30-12:00 h: Coffee break

12:00-13:00 h: Session 2: Editing in times of various “turns”: cultural, emotional, linguistic
Chair: Michael Kennedy
Ilse Dorothee Pautsch (Germany): Diplomatic documents and the emotional “turn”:
an experiment
Włodzimierz Borodziej (Poland): Some critical remarks

13:00-14:00 h: Lunch break

14:00-15:30 h: Session 3/1: 1961/1989: When the Wall went up/When the Wall came down:
editorial perspectives of two crucial years in world history
Chair: Richard Smith
David Geyer (US): Berlin at three pivotal moments of the Cold War: 1961, 1971, 1989
Antonio Varsori (Italy): Italian diplomacy’s reaction to the construction and the fall
of the Berlin Wall on the basis of Italy’s diplomatic records
Mechthild Lindemann (Germany): The year 1961 in West German foreign policy

15:30-16:30 h: Coffee break and conference picture



16:30-17:30 h: Session 3/2: 1961/1989: When the Wall went up/when the Wall came down: editorial perspectives of two crucial years in world history
Chair: Helena Pinto Janeiro
Louise Fisher (Israel): Israel and German Reunification
Andreas Schmidt-Schweizer (Hungary): German-Hungarian Relations 1987-1990

18:00–20:00 h: Conference Dinner at the Arcotel John F. Berlin, Werderscher Markt 11
hosted by Maria Margarete Gosse (Director-General for Central Services, Federal Foreign Office)

Friday, 7 June

08:30-09:30 h: ICEDD Bureau meeting (Bureau members only)

09:30-11:00 h: Session 3/3: 1961/1989: When the Wall went up/when the Wall came down: editorial perspectives of two crucial years in world history
Chair: Marc Dierikx
Patrick Salmon/Richard Smith (GB): Three approaches to editing documents on 1989
Gusztáv Kecskés D. (Hungary): A view from Brussels. Secret NATO Reports about East European Transition 1988-1991.
Tim Geiger/Daniela Taschler (Germany): The special edition “Die Einheit” and a work report on AAPD 1989

11:00-11:30 h: Coffee break

11:30-12:30 h: Session 4/1: Questionnaire updates and presentation of country programmes
Chair: Sacha Zala
Miruko Atsuta: Japanese Country Programme
Francesco Lefebvre D’Ovidio: Italian Country Programme
Zoltán Garadnai: Hungarian Country Programme

12:30-13:30 h: Lunch break

13:30-14:15 h: Session 4/2: Questionnaire updates and presentation of country programmes
Chair: Sacha Zala
John Gibney: Celebrating the Centenary of Irish Foreign Policy: A photographic edition
Helena Pinto Janeiro: Editing Portuguese Diplomatic Documents, between dictatorship and democracy

14:15-15:30 h: Session 5: New tasks and challenges, esp. in the field of digital editing
Chair: Stephen Randolph
Michael Rosyiskii (Russia): Digital editing – the Russian experience
Christiane Sibille (Switzerland) and Joe Wicentowski (USA): Handbook of best practices for digital diplomatic documentary editions
Melissa Jane Taylor (USA): Using Diplomatic Documents to Teach Leadership and Decision making

15:30-16:30 h: ICEDD General Assembly

18.00 h: Closing reception at the event location “217 ft.”
hosted by the Institute for Contemporary History, Munich – Berlin

Saturday, 8 June

11:15 h: Guided tour of the Berlin Wall memorial site, Bernauer Strasse
(approximately 1 hour)