

International Conference “Evolution and the Public 1859-2009”

Chair of Modern History, University of Siegen

September 3-5, 2009

Thursday, September 3, 2009

10:00am – 10:15am **Address of Welcome**

Plenary (Room AE-A 102/103):

Enter Evolution – Introducing a Field of Debate

Chair: Angela Schwarz, Siegen

10:15am – 10:30am **Introduction**

Angela Schwarz, Siegen

10:30am – 11:15am **Evolution and Public Debates since 1859**

Peter Bowler, Belfast

11:15am – 12:00pm **On the Origin of Art: A Darwinian Explanation**

Thomas Junker, Tübingen

12:00pm – 01:00pm **Lunch Break**

Section A (Room AE-A 103):

Issues and Arguments of an Emerging Public Debate

Chair: Angela Schwarz, Siegen

01:00pm – 01:45pm **The Missing Link: Understanding an Evolutionary Icon**

Peter C. Kjærsgaard, Cambridge

01:45pm – 02:30pm **Darwinism as a Bellum Omnium Contra Omnes? Origin and Consequences of a Misconception**

Dirk Solies, Mainz

02:30pm – 03:15pm **Disentangling a Dual Revolution: Darwinian Thought and Human Prehistory, 1859-1900**

Chris Manias, London

Section B (Room AE-A 102):

Evolution and Religion – a Controversy without End?

Chair: Heike Petermann, Münster

01:00pm – 01:45pm **Symbioses as a Provocation: Franz Unger’s Visualization of Plant Evolution and Geological ‘Periods’**

Marianne Klemun, Vienna

01:45pm – 02:30pm **Evolution versus Intelligent Design and Scientific Creation: An Unnecessary Conflict?**

Jeffrey H. Schwartz, Pittsburgh, PA

02:30pm – 03:15pm **Creation and Evolution - Controversy or Convergence?**

Josef Bordat, Berlin

03:15pm – 03:45pm **Coffee Break**

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03:45pm – 04:30pm	Darwin's Genealogy of Morality <i>Mario Brandhorst, Göttingen</i>
04:30pm – 05:15pm	Darwinizing Homosexuality: Problems and Prospects <i>Pieter R. Adriaens, Leuven</i>
05:15pm – 06:00pm	Darwin and German National Identity <i>Rebecca Ayako Bennette, Middlebury, VT</i>

	Section B (Room AE-A 102): Evolution and Religion – a Controversy Without End? Chair: <i>Heike Petermann, Münster</i>
03:45pm – 04:30pm	Rational versus Religious Thinking: What's Wrong with the Intelligent Design "Theory"? <i>Chong-Fuk Lau, Hongkong</i>
04:30pm – 05:15pm	Evolutionary Theory and Religion in Russia – Old and New Controversy <i>Mikhail Borisovich Konachev, St. Petersburg</i>
05:15pm – 06:00pm	The Growth of Creationism in Britain from 1969 and Influence in the Churches and Education <i>Michael Roberts, Lancaster</i>

06:00pm – 06:30pm **Transfer to the City Centre** (for speakers and chairs)

06:30pm – 07:30pm **Guided Tour through the Historic Centre of Siegen** (for speakers and chairs)

07:30pm **Reception in the Town Hall of Siegen** (for speakers and chairs)

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	Section A (Room AE-A 103): Images of Scientists and the Public Chair: <i>Mita Banerjee, Siegen</i>
10:00am – 10:45am	Representations of Women Scientists in Fiction Film <i>Eva Flicker, Vienna</i>
10:45am – 11:30am	Animating Darwin in the Public Sphere: Max Fleischer's "Darwin's Theory of Evolution" (1925) <i>Scott MacKenzie, Toronto</i>

	Section B (Room AE-A 102): Eugenics: Defining an Ideal Chair: <i>Eckart Voigts-Virchow, Siegen</i>
10:00am – 10:45am	Politics of Negative Eugenics: A Global Comparative Approach, 1900-1950 <i>Michael Schwartz, Berlin</i>
10:45am – 11:30am	"Blood will tell:" the Eugenics Movement in Canada Prior to World War II <i>Lukasz Albanski, Krakow</i>

11:30am – 12:00pm **Coffee Break**

	Section A (Room AE-A 103): Images of Scientists and the Public Chair: <i>Barbara Korte, Freiburg</i>
12:00pm – 12:45pm	Darwin and Photography <i>Monika Pietrzak-Franger, Siegen</i>
12:45pm – 13:30pm	Portrait Photography and Physiognomic Theory from Darwin to the Third Reich <i>Leesa L. Rittelmann, Fredonia, NY</i>

	Section B (Room AE-A 102): Eugenics: Defining an Ideal Chair: <i>Peter Alter, Duisburg-Essen</i>
12:00pm – 12:45pm	Eugenics, Race, and Psychiatry in the Baltic States 1900-1945 <i>Björn Michael Felder, Marburg</i>
12:45pm – 01:30pm	The Implementation of Eugenic Ideals in Heinrich Himmler's SS <i>Amy Beth Carney, Tallahassee, FL</i>

01:30pm – 02:30pm **Lunch Break**

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02:30pm – 03:15pm	The Origin of Higher Categories in Cynips: Alfred Kinsley's Contributions to the Study of Evolution <i>Donna J. Drucker, Indianapolis, IN</i>

	Section B (Room AE-A 102): Eugenics: Defining an Ideal Chair: <i>Peter Alter, Duisburg-Essen</i>
02:30pm – 03:15pm	Teaching the History of Eugenics in the Multi-Cultural Classroom <i>Aaron Gillette, Houston, TX</i>

03:15pm – 03:45pm **Coffee Break**

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03:45pm – 04:30pm	Gould as a Third Culture Thinker: Revising Darwinism <i>Curtis D. Carbonell, Jersey City, NJ</i>
04:30pm – 05:15pm	Tracing "Descent" as Popular History in Contemporary Britain <i>Barbara Korte and Ulrike Pirker, Freiburg</i>

	Section B (Room AE-A 102): From Darwinism to Social Darwinism Chair: <i>Eckart Voigts-Virchow, Siegen</i>
03:45pm – 04:30pm	Unbroken Strain of Defectives: Social Articulation of Mental Disability in New York City in the Early Twentieth Century <i>Yoshiya Makita, Boston, MA</i>
04:30pm – 05:15pm	Herbert Spencer and the Discourse of Evolution <i>Michael Beetz, Jena</i>

05:15pm – 05:30pm **Break**

	Plenary (Room AE-A 102/103): Panel Discussion: Presenting Darwin in the Media Chair: <i>Angela Schwarz, Siegen</i>
05:30pm – 07:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Petra Küntzel</i> (Bayerischer Rundfunk)• <i>Alexandra Gögl</i> (Bayerischer Rundfunk)• <i>Pia Heinemann</i> (Die Welt)• <i>Sven Preger</i> (Westdeutscher Rundfunk)

08:00pm **Dinner at Park Hotel in Siegen** (for speakers and chairs)

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	Section A (Room AE-A 103): The Debate on Evolution in the Age of the Human Genome Chair: <i>Marianne Klemun, Vienna</i>
09:30am – 10:15am	Reflections on the Role of Utopias and their Public Understanding in the History of Human Genetics <i>Heike Petermann, Münster</i>
10:15am – 11:00am	The Aesthetics of Eugenicist Thinking in 19th and 20th Century American Literature and Film <i>Mita Banerjee, Siegen</i>

	Section B (Room AE-A 102): The Debate on Evolution in the Age of the Human Genome Chair: <i>Daniela Fleiß, Siegen</i>
09:30am – 10:15am	Darwin, Zoos and the Natural Understanding of the Bourgeois Modernity <i>Utz Anhalt, Hanover</i>
10:15am – 11:00am	Reconstructions of Hominids in Natural History Museums <i>Oliver Hochadel, Barcelona</i>

11:00am – 11:15am **Coffee Break**

	Section A (Room AE-A 103): The Debate on Evolution in the Age of the Human Genome Chair: <i>Marianne Klemun, Vienna</i>
11:15am – 12:00pm	"A Dream come true?": Creating the Ideal Human Being in Science Fiction Literature and Film (1945-2009) <i>Angela Schwarz, Siegen</i>

	Section B (Room AE-A 102): The Debate on Evolution in the Age of the Human Genome Chair: <i>Daniela Fleiß, Siegen</i>
11:15am – 12:00pm	Darwin's Jim Knopf: How Jemmy Button became a Star of German Children's Book Literature <i>Julia Voss, Frankfurt/Main</i>

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01:00pm – 01:45pm	The Meme Meme. Remarks on the Popularization of Meme theory (1976-2005) <i>Sibylle Marti, Zurich</i>
01:45pm – 02:30pm	Human Evolution in the Genomic Age: A Case of Genetic History and its Commercialization <i>Marianne Sommer, Zurich</i>

	Section B (Room AE-A 102): Evolution of the Public and the Future of the Debate Chair: <i>Peter Kjærgaard, Cambridge</i>
01:00pm – 01:45pm	Controversies on Evolution in the Italian Daily Press (1995-2009) <i>Lorenzo Beltrame, Trient</i>
01:45pm – 02:30pm	Media Coverage on Evolution. A Case Study of a German Nationwide Newspaper <i>Hendrik Bullens, Breitenbrunn</i>

02:30pm – 02:45pm **Coffee Break**

	Plenary (Room AE-A 102/103): Evolution of the Public and the Future of the Debate Chair: <i>Angela Schwarz, Siegen</i>
02:45pm – 03:30pm	The Future of Evolution and the Evolution of the Future <i>Franz Wuketits, Vienna</i>

03:30pm – 04:00pm **Concluding Discussion**
Chair: *Angela Schwarz, Siegen*