The Institute of European History was founded in 1950 as an independent academic institution to promote research on the historical foundations of Europe. Since 2012 the IEG has been part of the Leibniz Association. It consists of a department of “Abendländische Religionsgeschichte” and a department of “Universalgeschichte”, each headed by a director. Among its academic staff of more than three dozen scholars are historians and theologians. The IEG runs a renowned fellowship program for PhDs and Postdocs as well as for Senior Researchers who come to Mainz from Europe and the rest of the world. Its premises are at the 17th century “Domus Universitatis”, the old university building in the city center, where the IEG library welcomes scholars to its large collections.

Research Profile
The IEG investigates the history of modern Europe in its religious, cultural, political and social dimensions. Its interdisciplinary research program is jointly developed by the two departments, the department of “Abendländische Religionsgeschichte” and the department of “Universalgeschichte”. The projects at the Institute range from the period of religious and confessional pluralization in early modern times to the socio-political transformations caused by processes of internationalization and globalization in contemporary history. The central theme of the present research agenda at the IEG is “Negotiating Difference in Modern Europe”. In three research groups scholars analyze the various forms of establishing, overcoming and enabling differences, i.e. the regulation and limitation – but also the production and maintenance – of otherness and inequality within Europe and in its relations with the wider world. The cross-sectional project EGO European History Online (www.ieg-ego.eu) covers five hundred years of European history across national, disciplinary and methodological boundaries. In cooperation with the Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, the IEG runs a Research Training Group (Graduiertenkolleg) funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG).

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**PROGRAM**

**Saturday, 1 August 2015**

Arrival

**Sunday, 2 August 2015**

1. **Excursion The Old City of Jerusalem and its Walls**

7:45  Tawfiq Da’adli (Martin Buber Society/Hebrew University Jerusalem): Excursion

2. **Workshop Visiting Contested Cities: Urban Planning, Tourism and the Politics of Heritage**

15:00  Johannes Pau1mann (IEG Mainz): Welcome

Andrea Rehling (IEG Mainz): Introduction

**Panel 1: Urban Planning and Religious Heritage**

15:15  Benedetta Serapioni (IEG Mainz): The Old City of Jerusalem on UNESCO’s World Heritage List

16:00  Madeleine Leonard (Queen’s University Belfast): Political Tourism in Post Conflict Belfast: Representing the Past and the Present

16:45  **Coffee break**

17:00  Wendy Pullan (University of Cambridge): Contesting Urban Space: Jerusalem’s Holy Sites in the Service of Nationalism

17:45  Tanja Zimmermann (University of Leipzig): Materializing Imagined Traditions: Spatial Politics in the Post-Socialist Countries of Former Yugoslavia

20:00  Dinner

**Monday, 3 August 2015**


11:00  **Coffee break**

**Panel 2: The Valorization and Politicization of the Past**

11:15  Andrea Rehling (IEG Mainz): Old Cities and the World Heritage Program

12:00  Noel Salazar (KU Leuven): Urban Heritage Tourism: Cautionary Tales about a Complicated ‘Ménage à Trois’

12:45  **Lunch**

14:00  Madeleine Leonard (Queen’s University Belfast): Political Tourism in Post Conflict Belfast: Representing the Past and the Present

14:45  Noam Shoval (Hebrew University Jerusalem): Tourism and Geopolitics in Jerusalem


16:00  **Coffee break**

16:45  Adel Yahya (Director of the Palestinian Association for Cultural Exchange): Why does a Visit to Jerusalem End Up as an Overwhelming Experience for Most People?

19:00  Dinner

**Tuesday, 4 August 2015**

3. **Excursion UNESCO World Heritage Town Planning, Urbanization and Archaeology**

7:45  Tawfiq Da’adli (Martin Buber Society/Hebrew University Jerusalem): Excursion

4. **Advisory Board Meeting Knowledge of the World – Heritage of Mankind: The History of UNESCO World Cultural and Natural Heritage**

14:00  Andrea Rehling: Introduction

14:15  Benedetta Serapioni: The Old City of Jerusalem and its City Walls

15:00  Elsa Duval: Aachen Cathedral

15:45  **Coffee break**

16:00  Julia Röttjer: Auschwitz Concentration Camp

16:45  Elke Ackermann: The Galápagos Islands National Park

17:30  **Final Discussion, Planning, Objectives**

19:00  Dinner

**Wednesday, 5 August 2015**

Breakfast & Farewell