

## ***Association for the Study of German Politics Newsletter – March 2004***

### ***Message from the Chair***

Following last year's successful ASGP conference in Glasgow, there is an even greater incentive to attend this year's conference, as it marks the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ASGP. It will take place at the University of Oxford, on the 14-16<sup>th</sup> April and will focus on 'The German Political System: Assessing Challenges and Reforms'. The programme will feature a number of prominent guest speakers from the UK and Germany and will include the Honorary President of the ASGP, Prof Wolfgang Streeck and His Excellency the German Ambassador to the Court of St. James. There will also be a number of celebratory events. Dr Andreas Busch will act as the local organiser. I would like to encourage members and non-members to join us on this memorable occasion.

I am pleased to inform members that a new contract for the journal of *German Politics* has been concluded with Frank Cass, which, after a subsequent takeover by Taylor & Francis, has been confirmed by the new publisher. Among the more favourable conditions of the new contract is the administrative help from Taylor & Francis in the collection of membership subscriptions.

Like in previous years, we will announce the winner of the Annual ASGP Postgraduate Prize at the Oxford conference. I look forward to seeing you all at Oxford in April.

Emil J. Kirchner  
University of Essex



Association for the Study of German Politics

## ASGP Conference 2004. Programme

### *The German Political System: Assessing Challenges and Reforms*

Hertford College, Oxford, 15/16 April 2004

#### **Thursday, 15 April**

- 10:30 – 11:30 Registration and Coffee
- 11:30 – 12:45 Andreas Busch (Oxford): *Reformpolitik* then and now: conditions, strategies and outcomes
- 12:45 – 14:15 Lunch
- 14:15 – 15:30 Rudolf Hrbek (Tübingen): The German Politics Lecture: The German Position in the Current EU Intergovernmental Conference.
- 15:30 – 16:00 Tea
- 16:15 – 18:00 Roundtable: Governing with Commissions  
Werner Jann (Potsdam)  
Andrew Adonis (UK Government, No 10 Policy Unit)
- 18:15 – 18:45 Meeting of the Executive
- 18:45 – 19:45 Reception: The Old Hall and the Old Library
- 19:45 - Dinner at Hertford Hall  
After Dinner Speaker: His Excellency the German Ambassador

#### **Friday, 16 April 2004**

- 9:30 – 11:30 Roundtable on Policy Reforms  
Wolfgang Streeck (MPI Cologne)  
Reimut Zohlnhöfer (Heidelberg)  
Claire Annesley (Manchester)
- 11:30 – 12:00 Tea
- 12:00 – 13:00 \*Klaus Gretschmann (Council of Ministers, Brussels): EU Level Perspectives
- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 - 15:15 Roundtable on Transatlantic Relations: which partnership, which priority?  
William Chandler (UC San Diego)  
James Sperling (Akron)
- 15:15 – 15:45 Tea
- 15:45 – 17:00 AGM

\*To be confirmed

**Association for the Study of German Politics (ASGP)**  
**30<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference**  
**'THE GERMAN POLITICAL SYSTEM: ASSESSING CHALLENGES**  
**AND REFORMS'**  
**15-16 April 2004**  
**10<sup>th</sup> GRADUATE CONFERENCE**  
**'THE GERMAN POLITICAL SYSTEM UNDER STRESS'**  
**14<sup>th</sup> April 2004**  
**Hertford College, Oxford OX1 3BW**  
**REGISTRATION FORM: PLEASE TICK AS APPROPRIATE**

**The closing date for receipt of forms is 29 March 2004. All registrations are binding.**

NB: Rates apply to ASGP members. If you are not a member, please include your joining fee or non-member surcharge at the appropriate rate.

<b>Main conference standard residential rate</b> (15/16 April 2004, includes registration fee, two lunches, refreshments, one night standard accommodation and annual conference dinner)	<b>£190.00</b>	_____
<b>NB limited en-suite accommodation is available for an additional £29</b>	<b>£29.00</b>	_____
<b>Main conference non-residential rate</b> (includes registration fee, lunch, refreshments, and annual Dinner). Price per day	<b>£160.00</b>	_____
<b>Postgraduate package I</b> (includes two nights' accommodation, catering on 14/15/16 April AND conference dinner).	<b>£215.00</b>	_____
<b>NB: To qualify for this package you MUST be a paid-up ASGP member, registered for a post-graduate degree, and not in employment. Proof of status will be required on booking.</b>		
<b>Postgraduate package II</b> (includes catering on 14/15/16 April, but NO accommodation, NO conference dinner).	<b>£110.00</b>	_____
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<b>ASGP full membership</b>	<b>£30.00</b>	_____
<b>ASGP post-grad membership</b>	<b>£15.00</b>	_____
<b>Student attendance</b> at graduate conference (includes one night accommodation on 14 April)	<b>£70.00</b>	_____
<b>Student attendance</b> at graduate conference only. No accommodation.	<b>£20.00</b>	_____
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<b>Additional charge for non-ASGP members, non-residential option</b>	<b>£15.00</b>	_____
<b><u>Late registration fee for residential bookings received after 29 March 2004</u></b>	<b>£25.00</b>	_____

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**The German Political System: Assessing challenges and reforms**  
15-16 April 2004  
**Graduate Conference:**  
14 April 2004  
Hertford College, Oxford

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# The Association for the Study of German Politics

## *Call for Papers*

### 10<sup>TH</sup> Annual Graduate Conference

#### ***'THE GERMAN POLITICAL SYSTEM UNDER STRESS'***

14<sup>th</sup> April 2004, Hertford College, Oxford

#### **Conference Organising Committee:**

Ross Campbell (University of Strathclyde)

Carolyn Moore (University of Birmingham)

#### **Conference Themes:**

The German political system has reached a key juncture. Economic and social dislocations resulting from reunification; marketisation and globalising cross-pressures; Eastern Enlargement of the European Union; and the continued existence of East - West differences in political culture all constitute challenges at the forefront of German political science. What are the dynamics of these challenges? And what are the implications of these challenges for the future of the German political system. These are the central questions which this conference seeks to address.

The ASGP (Association for the Study of German Politics) graduate conference aims to bring together a wide range of young researchers and scholars interested in, or engaged in research on, German politics. The graduate conference ties in with the 2004 ASGP Conference (Oxford, 15-16 April), which focuses on '*The German Political System: Assessing Challenges and Reforms*'. Papers which address any aspect of the German political system are welcomed.

**Proposals for papers should be sent in the form of a 250 word (maximum) abstract, and sent to both Ross Campbell ([w.r.campbell@strath.ac.uk](mailto:w.r.campbell@strath.ac.uk)) AND Carolyn Moore ([csm109@bham.ac.uk](mailto:csm109@bham.ac.uk)) by 29<sup>th</sup> March 2004.**

**PRICES:** Attending graduate day conference only - £20

Attending graduate day conference plus main conference - £110 (no accommodation or annual conference Dinner)

Attending graduate day conference plus main conference - £215 (includes accommodation and conference Dinner)

**Please note:** the ASGP has a hardship fund which offers bursaries to students attending both the graduate and main conferences

### ***ASGP membership subscriptions***

From 2004 ASGP Membership subscriptions are being handled by our Journal editors, Frank Cass and Co. Ltd. Existing members will receive an invoice directly from Frank Cass at the start of each year.

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## ***ASGP Member Publications***

### ***The Politics of Exclusion: Institutions and Immigration Policy in Contemporary Germany***

Simon Green

Immigration is one of the most sensitive issues of modern European politics. Nowhere is this more the case than in Germany, as a result of its history and the sheer scale of immigration it has experienced since 1945. Yet despite this background, Germany's immigration, residence and citizenship policy has been more restrictive when compared to that of many other countries; indeed, official policy long maintained that Germany was not a 'country of immigration'. But why has this been the case?

The politics of exclusion provides a new analytical perspective on immigration in Germany, tracing the country's immigration and citizenship policy since the Second World War. The book argues that institutional politics are central to understanding why Germany's policy structures have experienced only incremental change over the past twenty years, and have remained comparatively restrictive. With its lively and accessible style, the book will appeal to advanced scholars and students of immigration and Germany.

#### CONTENTS

1. Understanding Ausländerpolitik in Germany
2. Setting the parameters of Ausländerpolitik
3. A policy re-orientation? The Kohl government and the 1990 reform of the Ausländergesetz
4. The reform of citizenship policy, 1990 - 1999
5. Immigration, integration and the negotiation of the Zuwanderungsgesetz, 2000 - 2002
6. Evaluating Ausländerpolitik and semisovereignty

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Bibliography

Issues in German Politics  
Publication date: available June 2004  
216x138mm 160pp  
ISBN: 0-7190-6588-7  
£45.00



***Post-industrial Germany: Services, Technological Transformation and Knowledge in Unified Germany***

Claire Annesley

This book examines the state of the German model of capitalism today. It is the first book to offer an integrated analysis of the political economy of unified Germany. Challenging the traditional view that Germany is lagging behind other capitalist states in the transition to a post-industrial economy, it looks in detail at the expansion of the service sector, the transformation of the industrial sector and the development of the knowledge economy in unified Germany.

The book concludes that Germany is indeed becoming post-industrial, but that it is not developing in any single direction. Dr Annesley suggests that some regions perform well in services or the production of knowledge, while others have successfully transformed industrial production. This variation, it is argued, is the consequence of unification as well as older economic traditions which pre-date the industrial revolution.

CONTENTS

Introduction

- 1: The German model in crisis?
- 2: Defining post-industrialism: Services, technological transformation and knowledge
- 3: Germany's service sector economy
- 4: Germany's technological transition
- 5: Germany as a knowledge economy
- 6: Post-industrial trajectories in unified Germany

Issues in German Politics  
Publication date: available May 2004  
216x138mm, 160pp  
ISBN: 0-7190-6536-4  
£35.00

## ***The German Electoral System***

Peter James

This precise and well-structured book focuses on the mechanics (its evolution and the debates it generates) of the German electoral system. Briefly outlining the past German electoral systems and the influence they exerted on the political systems of the time, it differs from existing literature by being the first volume in the English language which gives in-depth treatment to local and regional electoral systems in Germany, as well as the federal system. Identifying the strengths and weaknesses of German electoral systems and their role and contribution within the party and political systems, it is particularly relevant at a time when other European countries' electoral systems are under review.

Students and academics concerned with German politics in particular and German or European studies more generally, will find this book valuable.

### **Contents**

1. Introduction
2. The historical dimension
3. The current federal electoral system emerges
4. Protest and disaffection: the electoral system is put to the test
5. Regional and local electoral systems: party finance
6. The developing pattern of federal elections
7. The 2002 federal election: a unique event
8. Influence of the electoral system on the party system and individual parties
9. The diversity of electoral politics in practice
10. Conclusion
11. Appendices; Bibliography; Index.

### **Further Information**

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**Binding:** Hardback

### ***Book Reviewers Needed***

The ASGP's flagship journal, *German Politics*, is in continued need of book reviewers. Should members wish to review books then Graham Timmins would very much like to hear from you. He can be contacted at:

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In conjunction with the Goethe-Institut London and the Centre for East German Studies, University of Reading

**Conference: Transformationsprozesse in den neuen Bundesländern  
24/25 April 2004**

**Venue: Goethe-Institut  
50 Prince's Gate  
Exhibition Road  
London (Tel: 020 7596 4000)**

**Speakers include:**

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**Conference fees:**

Two days	£80 Full
	£50 Concessions (including paid-up AMGS members)
One day	£50 Full
	£30 Concessions

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*Institute for the Study of Political Parties (ISPP), University of Sheffield*

*Seminar series: Academic year 2003/4*

Friday 13 February 2004:

Dr Stephen Ludlam (Sheffield)

***Changes in the characteristics of the links between trade unions and political parties***

Friday 5 March 2004,

Matt Browne and Patrick Diamond (Policy Network)

***Parties, think-tanks, and progressive politics***

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> of March 2004

Dr Thomas Saalfeld (Kent)

***The German party system and the politics of gridlock***

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2004,

Dr Philip Larkin (Special Advisor, Trade and Industry Select Committee)

***British Political Parties and Industrial Policy***

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> of May 2004, one-day workshop on:

***Pan-European party politics: empirical and theoretical challenges***

To include papers by :Professor Paul Webb (Sussex), Professor Paul Lewis (O.U),  
Dr. Paul Taggart and Dr. Aleks Szczerbiak (Sussex), and Dr. Charles Lees (Sheffield)

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