

German Historical Institute Warsaw



Conference A Whole New Game: Expanding the Boundaries of the History of Sports

October 30 - November 1, 2008

Conveners:

Uta Andrea Balbier (GHI Washington) and Stefan Wiederkehr (GHI Warsaw)

Program

Thursday, October 30

6:00-7:00 pm Opening Lecture:

Christiane Eisenberg (Humboldt University Berlin)

The Image of the Athlete in the Age of Mechanical Reproduction: Some Reflections on

Sporting Heroes and the Social Limits to Growth of Sport

Commentator: Allen Guttmann (Amherst College)

7:00 – 8:00 pm **Opening Reception at the GHI**

Friday, October 31

8:30 – 9:00 am **Breakfast at the GHI**

9:00 – 9:15 am **Introduction**

Uta Balbier and Stefan Wiederkehr

9:15 – 11:15 am Panel I: Building the Global Arena: Competition, Media, and Fans

Chair: Uta Balbier (GHI Washington)

Barbara Keys (University of Melbourne)

The Rise of Internationalism in Sport: Intellectual, Emotional, and Institutional

Foundations

Markus Stauff (Universiteit van Amsterdam)

Face/ Body/ Politics: The Blurred Boundaries of (Media) Sports

Manfred Zeller (Helmut Schmidt University)

"Glocal" Fan Culture: International Soccer Championships and the Development of Stadium Culture in the Soviet Union, 1960-1985

Commentator: Robert Edelman (University of California, San Diego)

11:15 - 11:45 am

Coffee Break

11:45 am - 1:45 pm

Panel II: "Our Team!": International Competitions and the Shaping of **National Identity**

Chair: Richard F. Wetzell (GHI Washington)

Steven W. Pope (West Virginia University)

Imperial Rivalries: American-British Discourses on Empire and Davis Cup Competitions, 1900-1950

Britta Lenz (University of Bonn)

Trying to Find "An Appropriate Place in the World of Sports": Self-Perception and International Ambitions of Polish Soccer in the Interwar Years

Sandra Budy (Helmut Schmidt University)

The Moscow Spartakiada, 1928: A Demonstration of the Socialist Way of Life

Commentator: John Soares (University of Notre Dame)

1:45 - 3:00 pm

Lunch Break

3:00 - 5:00 pm

Panel III: Playing With Identity: Ethnicity in International Sports

Chair: Anke Ortlepp (GHI Washington)

Brian D. Bunk (University of Massachusetts)

Representing the Race: How Boxing Defined Spanish-Speaking Racial Identities during the Interwar Period

Sayuri Guthrie-Shimizu (Michigan State University)

"Swimming for a New Japan": Hironoshin Furuhashi and the Idolatry of

"World-Class" Swimmers in Postwar Japan

Melanie Henne (University of Erfurt)

The Chicagoland Sports Congress: Czech-American Sporting Traditions in Chicago's Sokol Movement

Commentator: Jürgen Martschukat (University of Erfurt)

7:00 pm

Conference Dinner

Iron Gate Restaurant

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Saturday, November 1

8:30 – 9:00 am **Breakfast at the GHI**

9:00 - 11:00 am Panel IV: Sportsmanlike Conduct: The Codification of Gender Norms in

International Sports

Chair: Stefan Wiederkehr (GHI Warsaw)

Erik Jensen (Miami University)

Fatigue and the Female Athlete: Medals, Motherhood, and Middle-Distance

Running in Weimar Germany

Jean Williams (De Montfort University)

Arena of Empowerment or Restraint of Trade? What Can the History of

Women's Football in Germany and the United States Tell Us about Researching

"Women's Sport"?

Gerald Gems (North Central College)

Social Construction and the Global Dissemination of American Masculinity

Commentator: Gertrud Pfister (University of Copenhagen)

11:00 – 11:30 am **Coffee Break**

11:30 am – 1:30 pm Panel V: Sport as Spectacle: The Staging of International Sports Events

Chair: Corinna Unger (GHI Washington)

Alexandra Köhring (Helmut Schmidt University)

Staging Euphoria and Exhaustion: Mass Sports Events in the Moscow Luzhniki

Stadium during the Khrushchev Era

Kay Schiller (University of Durham) **Chris Young** (University of Cambridge)

Motion and Landscape: Otl Aicher, Günther Grzimek, and the Graphic and

Garden Design of the 1972 Munich Olympics

Christian Tagsold (Heinrich Heine University of Düsseldorf)

Modernity, Space, and National Representation at the Tokyo Olympics 1964

Commentator: Nikolaus Katzer (Helmut Schmidt University)

1:30 – 2:30 pm **Lunch Break**

2:30 – 4:00 pm **Final Discussion**