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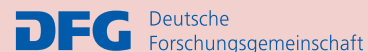
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Please register for the conference before March 9, 2020, [online](#).

If you are accepted, we will send you a definite confirmation.

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The conference is cosponsored by the Heidelberg Center for American Studies and the Bavarian American Academy, Munich.



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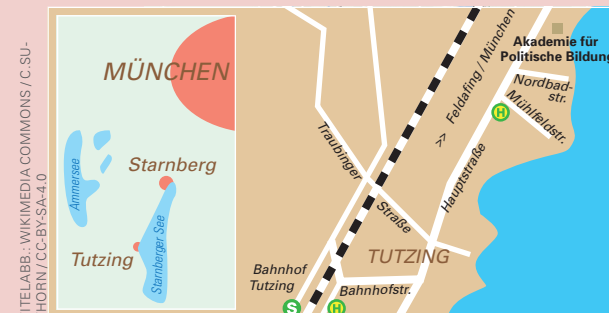
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From the airport: Take the urban railway S-1 or S-8 to Munich Central Station and follow the instructions above.

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Human Dignity and Human Rights

The Legacy of the Black Civil Rights Movement in the Transatlantic World



March 25 – 27, 2020

Conference in Cooperation
with the Universities of
Augsburg and Erfurt



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This conference aims at bringing together scholars from the United States and different European countries to discuss the legacy of the Black Civil Rights Movement from a transnational and interdisciplinary perspective. We will take a closer look at the origins and uses of the concepts of human dignity and human rights within the movement and then explore how its legacy has inspired activism and organizations for racial and social justice on both sides of the Atlantic.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2019

14.30 h **Arrival, Check-in**

15.30 h **Coffee**

16.00 h **Greetings & Introduction**
Michael Mayer
Britta Waldschmidt-Nelson

16.30 h **Panel 1: Human Dignity and Human Justice in the Struggle for Black Equality**

Chair: *Michael Mayer*

The Concepts of Dignity and Justice in the Black Abolitionist Movement and their Impact on the Black Freedom Struggle
Beverly E. Mitchell
Wesley Theological Seminary,
Washington, D.C., USA

Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Concept of Human Dignity and Human Rights and its Relevance for Struggles for Racial Equality and Social Justice

Michael Haspel

18.30 h **Dinner**

19.30 h **Keynote**
Introduction: *Anja Schüler*
Heidelberg Center for American Studies

“We Gon Be Alright”: Containment, Creativity, and the Birth of Hip-Hop

Rashad Shabazz
Arizona State University, USA

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2020

8.15 h **Breakfast**

9.00 h **Panel 2: Children and Black Religious Minorities**

Chair: *Bärbel Harju*
University of Munich

A Voice for the Voiceless: Marian Wright Edelman and the Children's Defense Fund

Britta Waldschmidt-Nelson

From Silent Minority to Problem Minority: Middle Eastern Muslims in the US in the 21st century

Andrea Carosso
University of Torino, Italy

10.30 h **Break**

11.00 h **Panel 3: White Backlash, Black Lives Matter and Human Rights**

Chair: *Berndt Ostendorf*
University of Munich

Black Lives Matter and the Contours of Black Freedom

Marcia Chatelain
Georgetown University, USA

From Civil to Human Rights – But What Kind of Human Rights?

Helle Porsdam
University of Copenhagen, Denmark

12.30 h **Lunch**

14.30 h **Panel 4: Racial Minorities in Europe**

Chair: *Mirjam Zadoff*
NS Dokumentationszentrum, Munich

Visions of Plurality? Reflections on the History of Minority Rights in Europe

Birgit Hofmann
University of Heidelberg

How Can You Be Black in a Country Where Race Does Not Exist?

Rokhaya Diallo
Author, Journalist, Filmmaker, Paris

16.00 h **Coffee Break**

16.30 h **Young Scholars Forum**

Chair: *Hartmut Keil*
University of Leipzig

Black (?) Homophobia and Gay Rights during the Civil Rights Movement and beyond: The Case of Bayard Rustin

Nicole Hirschfelder
University of Tuebingen

Criminal Justice Reform as the Greatest Contemporary Challenge in the Struggle for African American Civil Rights

Katharina Motyl
University of Mannheim

Remember We're Just Human like You: The Struggle for Civil and Human Rights in Autobiographical Prison Texts

Katharina Matuschek
University of Regensburg

18.30 h **Dinner**

20.00 h **Exchange of Ideas and Live Music Ernest Butler's Jazz Duo**

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020

8.15 h **Breakfast**

9.00 h **Panel 5: The Legacy of the Civil Rights Movement in Germany**

Chair: *Modupe Laja*
ADEFRA, Munich

Let us Join Hearts and Hands Across the Atlantic Ocean: The Civil Rights Movement and the GDR

Maria Schubert
University of Tübingen

Black German Transnational Perspectives from 1945 to the Present

Marion Kraft
ADEFRA, Berlin

10.30 h **Break**

10.45 h **Roundtable/Final Discussion**

Chair: *Britta Waldschmidt-Nelson*

Participants: T.B.A.

12.00 h **Lunch & End of Conference**