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Vielfalt sucht Rat
 Eine Studie über Ratsmitglieder mit Migrationshintergrund in deutschen Großstädten
 Eine Studie des Max-Planck-Instituts zur Erforschung multireligiöser und multiethnischer
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Die vorliegende Studie «Vielfalt sucht Rat. Ratsmitglieder mit Migrationshintergrund in deutschen Großstädten», liefert die empirischen Grundlagen für die überfällige Debatte um die politische Teilhabe von Migrantinnen und Migranten.

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Rethinking National Identity in the Age of Migration
 Bertelsmann Stiftung, Migration Policy Institute (eds.)
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Large-scale immigration has led to unprecedented levels of diversity around the globe, transforming communities in fundamental ways and challenging long and closely held notions of national identity. In recent years, this rapid transformation has coincided with a set of deeper challenges — first and foremost among them the most severe economic downturn in decades. Political leaders thus find themselves having to navigate a tangled web of complex policy dilemmas, from how to respond to economic insecurity; to how to continue to draw benefits from (and make the political case for) globalization; to coming to terms with hybrid identities — all challenges that have caused enormous anxiety and even social unrest.

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Date and Venue:

Wednesday, November 14th 2012, 6:30 p.m.
 Embassy of Canada, Botschaft von Kanada, Leipziger Platz 17
 10117 Berlin

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Leipziger Platz can be reached very easily by public transport: the entrance to the new embassy building at 17 Leipziger Platz is directly next to the exits of Potsdamer Platz subway, urban railway and main-line stations.

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Lecture & Panel

Multicultural Politics – Success, Failure, and the Future

November 14th 2012, 6:30 - 10 pm
 Embassy of Canada, Leipziger Platz 17, Berlin



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Multicultural Politics – Success, Failure, and the Future

The rhetoric surrounding «multiculturalism» in Europe reached a breaking point in 2010 when three prominent heads of government in France, Germany and UK declared it as having failed. Much uncertainty surrounds the term and what is less clear is what should replace «multiculturalism», should it have «failed». Not all attempts to adopt various models of multicultural politics have taken root, or succeeded in achieving their intended effects. There are several factors that can either facilitate or impede the successful implementation of multicultural policies. Beyond cultural and religious tensions, also policies and opportunities around citizenship, education and social mobility are among those relevant factors.

This panel will take an in-depth look at what multiculturalism has meant traditionally in Western countries and what policies may be deemed multicultural. It will look at how these policies have developed and their impacts on social cohesion. Why does the idea of multicultural policy in Europe elicit fear of social disintegration and nurture the assumption of accommodating minorities? Through an informed discussion a debate on diversity, social cohesion, and inclusion in Germany as well as Europe should be put forward.

Speakers

Will Kymlicka

is the Canada Research Chair in Political Philosophy in the Philosophy Department at Queen's University in Kingston, Canada, where he has taught since 1998. His research interests focus on issues of democracy and diversity, and in particular on models of citizenship and social justice within multicultural societies. He has published eight books and over 200 articles, which have been translated into 32 languages, and has received several awards, most recently the 2009 Premier's Discovery Award in the Social Sciences. He is Co-Director, along with Keith Banting, of the Multiculturalism Policy Index project, which monitors the evolution of MCPs across the Western democracies.

Tariq Modood

is the founding Director of the University of Bristol's Research Centre for the Study of Ethnicity and Citizenship. He has held over 40 grants and consultancies (UK, European and US), has over 30 (co-)authored and (co-)edited books and reports and over 150 articles or chapters in political philosophy, sociology and public policy.

He is a regular contributor to the media and policy debates in Britain, was awarded a MBE for services to social sciences and ethnic relations in 2001 and elected a member of the Academy of Social Sciences in 2004. He served on the Commission on the Future of Multi-Ethnic Britain, the IPPR Commission on National Security and on the National Equality Panel, which reported to the UK Deputy Prime Minister in 2010.

Christian Joppke

holds a Chair in Sociology at the University of Bern, Switzerland. He received a PhD in sociology from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1989. Previously he taught at the University of Southern California, European University Institute, University of British Columbia, International University Bremen (since renamed Jacobs University), and the American University of Paris. Among his recent books are Citizenship and Immigration, Veil: Mirror of Identity, and Selecting by Origin: Ethnic Migration in the Liberal State.

Seyran Ateş

is lawyer, writer, and real estate manager living in Berlin. She studied law at the Free University of Berlin and has practiced law since 1997. The Multicultural Error (2007) and Islam Needs a Sexual Revolution (2009) are among her books. Because of her feminist activities, she has been subject to hostilities and death threats. For her activities Seyran Ates has received several awards - including the Federal Cross of Merit of Germany and the Order of Merit of Berlin. Seyran Ates was member of the German Islam Conference set up by the Ministry of Interior.

Agenda

Wednesday, November 14th 2012, 6:30 pm

- 6:30 Registration (with identity card/passport) and Reception
- 7:00 Welcome
Eric Walsh – Embassy of Canada to Germany
Peter Siller – Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung
Ulrich Kober – Bertelsmann Stiftung
- 7:30 **Multiculturalism – Various Approaches, Different Goals?**
Will Kymlicka – Professor of Philosophy, Queens University, Ontario/Canada
- 7:45 **Alternatives and Options regarding Multicultural Policy**
Tariq Modood – Professor of Sociology, Politics and Public Policy, University of Bristol/UK
- 8:00 Panel Discussion
The Pros & Cons of Multicultural Politics
Will Kymlicka – Professor of Philosophy, Queens University, Ontario/Canada
Tariq Modood – Professor of Sociology, Politics and Public Policy, University of Bristol/UK
Christian Joppke – Chair in General Sociology, University of Bern/Switzerland
Seyran Ateş – Lawyer and Writer, Berlin
- Chair: Christal Morehouse – Bertelsmann Stiftung
- 9:00 Discussion
- 9:15 **Concluding Remarks**
Mekonnen Mesghena – Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung
- 9:30 Reception