

Saturday, 3 December 2011

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

#### Section IV:

#### Visual Dimensions of Political Communication

Chair: PASI IHALAINEN, JYVÄSKYLÄ

EVELINE BOUWERS (BIELEFELD)

The Culture of Religious Violence in Post-Separation France:  
The Case of Brittany, 1906–1912

BETTINA BRANDT (BIELEFELD)

Writing Political History after the 'Iconic Turn'

Comment: PETER GEIMER (BERLIN)

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

#### Section V:

#### Roundtable: The "New" Political History – and beyond?

Chair: WILLIBALD STEINMETZ, BIELEFELD

THOMAS MERGEL (BERLIN)

HENK TE VELDE (LEIDEN)

LUISE SCHORN-SCHÜTTE (FRANKFURT/MAIN)

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Celebrations in Tahrir Square, Cairo, 11 February 2011 after Hosni Mubarak's resignation had been announced; Photo by Jonathan Rashad © 2011

# Writing Political History Today



#### Conference

1 – 3 December 2011  
Bielefeld University, ZiF

Collaborative Research Centre (SFB):  
The Political as Communicative Space  
in History

**Thursday, 1 December 2011**

**3:00 p.m.**

Welcome and Introduction

INGRID GILCHER-HOLTEY/WILLIBALD STEINMETZ (BIELEFELD)

**3:30 – 6:30 p.m.**

**Section I:**

**Violence – Pre-Political, Anti-Political, or Political?**

Chair: INGRID GILCHER-HOLTEY, BIELEFELD

FREIA ANDERS (BIELEFELD)

The Limits of the Legitimate: The Quarrel over “Violence” between Autonomous Groups and the Authorities

ALAIN DEWERPE (PARIS)

Is State Murder a Political Event? Some Reflexions from the 8 February 1962 Massacre at the Charonne Metro, Paris

Comment: HEINZ-GERHARD HAUPT (BIELEFELD)

**7:00 p.m. Dinner (IBZ)**

**Friday, 2 December 2011**

**9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Section II:**

**Boundary Disputes: The Political and Other Spheres**

Chair: DIANA MISHKOVA, SOFIA

CHRISTOPH GUSY (BIELEFELD)

The Laws – Basis and Objects of Political Communication

KIRSTEN BÖNKER (BIELEFELD)

“Money, Money, Money”: Contested Boundaries? Money, Consumption, and Politics in the Late Soviet Union

MATTHIAS POHLIG (MÜNSTER)

Internal and External Boundaries: Early Modern Politics Revisited

Comment: WILLIBALD STEINMETZ (BIELEFELD)

**1:00 p.m. Lunch**

**Friday, 2 December 2011**

**2:30 – 6:00 p.m.**

**Section III:**

**The Politics of Leadership**

Chair: MICHAEL FREEDEN, OXFORD

PAOLO POMBENI (BOLOGNA)

The Word of a Leader: The Problem of How to Shape the Public Space in 19th and 20th Century European Politics

JÖRN LEONHARD (FREIBURG)

Extraordinary Politics: On Heroes and Heroizations in the 19th Century

Comment: THOMAS MERGEL (BERLIN)

**7:00 p.m. Conference Dinner (IBZ)**

