



## **IRSW Bonn**

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**Sixteenth Walberberg System Symposium  
An International Conference**

# The Economics of Federalism and Political Integration

**27 - 29 June, 1990**

**Dominikanerkloster St. Albert (Dominican Monastery)  
Bornheim-Walberberg, West Germany**

Invitation

The Independent Institute for Jurisprudential, Social and Economic Sciences, Bonn, is a non-government, non-profit research institute, established in 1976, to encourage the free interchange of information on economic and social problems. It is meant as an international basis for the discussion which promotes co-operation in the study of such problems in social sciences, where there is a common interest.

The Walberberg System Symposia are a forum to increase the opportunity for exchange of new ideas and to provide a framework for furthering economics and law on both, the theoretical and the applied levels. This 16th symposium of our institute is meant as a timely contribution to important issues of international policy, which have not yet generally received the comprehensive treatment they deserve:

**The Economics of Federalism and Political Integration.  
- Economic Development in the EC and the Implications on the Atlantic Community, EFTA-Countries and South Africa -.**

The aim of this symposium, highly concentrated on special subjects of the market mechanism and regional development, is to create a better understanding of the accelerating speed of change in the light of inevitable political transformation processes, especially in the Eastern European states inclusive East Germany and in South Africa as well. This reorientation has quite a number of implications for the future ordering of international trade and politics.

Who is already in a position to judge the present situation?

Professor Dr. Edgar Nawroth OP

Professor Dr. Bodo B. Gemper

Wednesday, 27th June

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| 11.00 a.m. | Registration   |
| 12.00 a.m. | Lunch  |
| 2.00 p.m.  | Chairman of the Opening Session:<br>Prof. Richard <b>Brinkman</b>  |
|            | Welcoming Address by Prof. Bodo B. <b>Gemper</b><br>Executive Secretary of the IRSW  |
| 2.15 p.m.  | Prof. Bodo B. <b>Gemper</b> , University of Siegen,<br>Germany<br>"System-transcending integration - The Common Principles of Competition, Decentralization and Constitutionality" |
| 3.00 p.m.  | Afternoon Tea  |
| 3.30 p.m.  | Chairwoman of Session (2):<br>Dr. Bettina <b>Hurni</b>   |
|            | Prof. Richard <b>Brinkman</b> , Portland State University,<br>Portland, Oregon, USA<br>"Toward a United States of Europe: Facts or Fiction?"                                       |
| 4.15 p.m.  | Discussion<br>Lead-in discussant: Prof. Lou <b>van Wyk</b>   |
| 6.30 p.m.  | Supper   |

Thursday, 28th June

- 8.00 a.m. Breakfast
- 9.00 a.m. Chairman of Session (3):  
Prof. Bodo B. **Gemper**  
  
Dr. Bettina **Hurni**, University of Neuchatel, Switzerland  
"Economic Development, Federalism and the EFTA-Countries"
- 9.45 a.m. Coffee Break
- 10.15 a.m. Discussion  
Lead-in discussant: Prof. Richard **Brinkman**
- 12.00 a.m. Lunch
- 2.00 p.m. Ministerialrat Dr. Arnold **Streit**, Ministry of Economics, Bonn, Germany  
"Participation of the EFTA-Countries in the European Integration - The EC's Internal Market; Procedures of Decision-shaping and Decision-making"
- 2.45 p.m. Discussion  
Lead-in discussant: Dr. Bettina **Hurni**
- 3.45 p.m. Afternoon Tea
- 4.30 p.m. Chairman of Session (4):  
Ministerialrat Dr. Arnold **Streit**  
  
Hein **Wiese**, M. Com., Industrial Development Corporation, Sandton, RSA  
  
"Economic Development in the EC and the Implications on South Africa's Trade with Europe"
- 5.15 p.m. Discussion  
Lead-in discussant: Prof. Nicolas J. **Schoeman**
- 6.30 p.m. Supper

Friday, 29th June

- 8.00 a.m. Breakfast
- 9.00 a.m. Chairwoman of Session (5):  
Dr. Bettina Hurni
- Dr. Egon **Schoneweg**, Directorate General, EC  
Commission, Brussels
- "The Involvement of Regions in the Implementation  
of EC-Structural Policies"
- 9.45 a.m. Prof. Lou A. **van Wyk**, University for Christian Higher  
Education of Potchefstroom, RSA
- "Development Regions in South Africa as a Basis for  
Federal Structures?"
- 10.30 a.m. Coffee Break
- 11.00 a.m. Discussion  
Lead-in discussant: Prof. Bodo B. **Gemper**
- 12.00 a.m. Lunch
- 2.00 p.m. Prof. Geert L. **de Wet**, University of Pretoria, RSA  
"Federalism, Economic Freedom and Growth  
- The Case of South Africa"
- 2.45 p.m. Discussion  
Lead-in discussant: Dr. Egon **Schoneweg**
- 3.30 p.m. Afternoon Tea
- 4.00 p.m. Chairman of Session (6):  
Prof. Geert L. **de Wet**
- Prof. Nicolas J. **Schoeman**, University of Pretoria, RSA  
"Economic Interdependence in Southern Africa  
- The Case of Food Production and Supply"
- 4.45 p.m. Discussion  
Lead-in discussant: Hein **Wiese**, M. Com.
- 5.30 p.m. Farewell Drink
- 6.30 p.m. Supper

## General Information

### Date and Place

The 16th Walberberg System Symposium on "The Economics of Federalism and Political Integration" will be held from 27 - 29 June 1990, at the Dominican Monastery St. Albert, Bornheim-Walberberg (near Bonn) West Germany, Portal 5, Conference Rooms 305/306.

### Correspondence and Information

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### Participation

This symposium is a closed meeting of personally invited experts but it may be attended by a limited number of participants who are personally interested in this subject and are familiar with the fundamental questions of economic policy in theory and practice.

### Registration

There is no registration fee. The inclusive price per person and night is DM 150,- just covering the costs for accomodation and meals. Participants should remit the appropriate amount until 18th June 1990, to account no. 735-501,

Postgiroamt Köln,

(Postal Account in Cologne) of the Unabhängiges Institut für Rechts-, Sozial- und Wirtschaftswissenschaften, Bonn.

### Accomodation

Dominikanerkloster St. Albert (Dominican Monastery) Bornheim-Walberberg (near Bonn), Telephone (02227) 850.

Participants have their meals served at the refectory of the monastery.

### Translation

There will be no simultaneous interpreting from English into German or French at all.