#### Local Organization

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## Registration

Your binding registration is requested by June 22, 2015. You may register using the enclosed card, the online registration system, or e-mail. Your participation will be confirmed.

## Cancellation

Cancellation after June 22, 2015, will be charged 50 % of reservation costs including participants who have received discounts. We cannot offer refunds for cancellations made after the beginning of the conference.

## Participation costs

The costs for the conference are

participation fee only	70
meals only (without accommodation and breakfast) accommodation & full board for all days	50
– in a single room	160
- in a shared double room	118
– in a double room for single use	172

Please pay all costs either in cash or with an EC Card at the reception when arriving at the academy. Cancelled parts of participation cannot be reimbursed.

## Discount

We offer a 50 % discount of the participation costs for students upon presentation of their a student ID-card. The participation fee will be waved for accredited journalists with a valid press pass.

## Conference Venue

The Evangelische Akademie Tutzing is located on the shore of Lake Starnberg (Germany), half-way between Munich and Garmisch. It can be reached using public transport via the local train station, Tutzing. For further details, please see the websites: www.ev-akademie-tutzing.de / www.schloss-tutzing.de



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Tutzing is located some 40 km south of Munich at Lake Starnberg.

Arrival by train: There are regional trains from Munich Central Station or Munich-Pasing to Tutzing every 30 minutes. You may also take the S6 (S-Bahn / regional rapid transit system) from Munich Central Station (lower level) to Tutzing (terminal station), leaving every 20 or 40 minutes. The Akademie is a ten-minute walk from the station. More to find: greenmobility on our homepage.

Arrival by car: If you come from Munich take the motorway A 95 ("Autobahn") to Garmisch leaving it at the exit to Starnberg, then follow signs on the road ("Bundesstrasse 2") to Traubing, then turn to Tutzing.

Go to the centre of Tutzing; there is a sign to turn to the left.

**Arrival by plane:** Please, take the S1 from Munich airport to the station München-Laim; transfer to the S6 to Tutzing.

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Toxic Legacies – Agent Orange as a Challenge

June 28-30, 2015 / Conference venue: Tutzing (D)

Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society, LMU in cooperation with Amerikahaus – Bavarian Center for Transatlantic Relations

# TOXIC LEGACIES – AGENT ORANGE AS A CHALLENGE

Agent Orange, the herbicide used during the Vietnam War, has left us both a bitter legacy and a historical lesson. Countless people have struggled with the human and environmental damage caused by the chemical exposure that still continues today. Questions remain for lawyers, scientists, and affected individuals about potential and ongoing risks, about who should be held responsible, and whether compensation should be paid to victims.

In this conference, we will examine this chapter of the Vietnam War in the context of a broader discussion of comparable military and civil environmental disasters. The story of Agent Orange is still topical: its historical focus is primarily on Vietnam and the United States, but it raises questions of environmental justice, military and peacetime interventions, economic damage, and sustainabile development, that are relevant across the world.

The conference brings together participants from all sectors of society, including those working in the insurance industry and in business, lawyers, environmentalists, human rights activists, academics from all disciplines, military personnel, and those with a strong connection to the Vietnam War and the peace movement.

#### Conveners:

Amy Hay, University of Texas-Pan American/Rio Grande Valley Martin Held, Evangelische Akademie Tutzing Christian Lahnstein, formerly Munich Re Nga Le, Social entrepreneur and political activist, Munich Christof Mauch, Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society (RCC), LMU

## SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2015

3:30 p.m. Arrival at the Academy – Registration opens

6:00 p.m. Dinner

7:00 p.m. Toxic Legacies – Agent Orange as a Challenge Welcome and Introduction Martin Held & Christof Mauch

> History, Memory, and the Legacies of Vietnam War Keynote address Ed Martini

9:15 p.m. Get-together at Tutzing Castle

### MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2015

- 7:45 a.m. Morning prayer in the chapel an invitation
- 9:00 a.m. <u>History and Legacies</u> Chair: Christof Mauch

Cultural History of Synthetic Pesticides in US since 1945 Michelle Mart

Agent Orange in US Health and Environmental Policy Amy Hay

10:30 a.m. Coffee break

11:00 a.m. Agent Orange and Vietnam Veterans since the War Wilbur J. Scott

> The Ford Foundation Initiatives Addressing the Legacy of Agent Orange Use Charles Bailey

12:30 p.m. Lunch

2:00 p.m. Responsibilities and Compensation Chair: Kenneth Feinberg

> Regulative Functions of State und Civil Liability, Standards of Liability and Remedies Harald Koch

The Korean Case: Product Liability Approach Christian Förster

Programme: June 19, 2015 3:30 p.m. Coffee break

4:00 p.m. International Public Law and the Toxic Remnants of War Project Manfred Mohr

> Comparing Historical Compensation Christian Lahnstein

- 5:30 p.m. Agent Orange Second Generation Effects of Dioxine Heather Bowser
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Agent Orange The Lasting Legacy of Dioxine Introductury Statement: Rosemarie Höhn-Mizo

**Film screening: "Lighter than Orange"** With introduction by Matthias Leupold

Discussion

9:15 p.m. Get-together at Tutzing Castle

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 2015

- 7:45 a.m. Morning prayer in the chapel an invitation
- 9:00 a.m. Risks and Hazards: Lessons Learned Chair: Martin Held

Warfare Ecology: A New Synthesis for Peace and Security Gary Machlis

Timescapes of Modernity – The Environment and Invisible Hazards Substances Barbara Adam

Dioxins – Networks of Collective Experimentation Stefan Böschen

- 11:00 a.m. Coffee break
- 11:20 a.m. The Dissipation of Hazardous Substances Jens Soentgen
- 12:00 a.m. <u>Perspectives</u> Chair: Christof Mauch

Agent Orange: The Tension between Law and Science Kenneth Feinberg

**Closing Remarks** 

1:00 p.m. Lunch & End of the Conference

Speakers Barbara Adam, School of Social Sciences, Cardiff University (UK) Charles Bailey, Aspen Institute (USA) Stefan Böschen, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (D) Heather Bowser, Agent Orange Second Generation Veteran (USA) Kenneth Feinberg, Attorney, Feinberg Rozen, LLP, New York (USA) Christian Förster, Heidelberg University (D) Amy Hay, University of Texas-Pan American, Rio Grande Valley (USA) Martin Held, Protestant Academy Tutzing (D) Rosemarie Höhn-Mizo, International Committee for the Vietnam Friendship Village (D) Harald Koch, Humboldt University in Berlin and Rostock University (D) Christian Lahnstein, formerly Munich Re, Munich (D) Nga Le, Social entrepreneur and political activist, Munich (D) Matthias Leupold, BTK University for Design, Berlin (D) Gary Machlis, Clemson University (USA) Michelle Mart, Pennsylvania State University (USA) Ed Martini, Western Michigan University (USA) Christof Mauch, Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society, LMU, Munich (D) Manfred Mohr, International Coalition to Ban Uranium Weapons (ICBUW), Berlin (D) Wilbur J. Scott, US Air Force Academy, Oklahoma (USA) Jens Soentgen, University of Augsburg, Environmental Science Center (D)



The documentary LIGHTER THAN ORANGE-THE LEGACY OF DIOXIN IN VIETNAM reveals a political failure through individual biographies. It depicts the fates of a few of the 4 million Vietnamese veterans who have been victims of Agent Orange. Due to exposure to dioxinbased herbicide Agent Orange used during the Vietnam War, veterans brought home a change in their DNA. This change having

been passed down through the generations, their children are still suffering from incurable illnesses and debilitating deformity today.

LIGHTER THAN ORANGE, 2014, 72 min, Subtitles English, Cinematographer Armin Dierolf, Sound Manja Ebert, Editorial Work Felix Klickermann, Film Editing Nina Mühlenkamp, Director/Producer Matthias Leupold, www.lighterthanorange.com