

PRESS RELEASE

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Statelessness: A Modern History

Open ColloKWlum with Mira Siegelberg

Wednesday, June 30th, 2021, 4 p.m. via ZOOM

PLEASE NOTE

The lecture will take place as a **zoom meeting**. By registering for the lecture, participants consent to the recording and possible publication of the livestream.

Two world wars left millions stranded in Europe. The collapse of empires and the rise of independent states in the twentieth century produced an unprecedented number of people without national belonging and with nowhere to go.

Following a generation of theorists and practitioners who took up the problem of mass statelessness, Mira Siegelberg weaves together a history of ideas of law and politics, rights and citizenship, with the intimate plight of stateless persons. Drawing on extensive archival research and an innovative approach to the history of international order, Siegelberg explores how and why the rise and fall of statelessness in modern thought compels a new understanding of the historical relationship between states and citizens, empires and states, and of the legitimation of the territorial state against alternative forms of political organization in the twentieth century.

MIRA L. SIEGELBERG is a University Lecturer (Assistant Professor) in The History of International Political Thought at Cambridge University. She received a PhD in History at Harvard University in 2014, after which she held a postdoctoral fellowship at the Princeton Society of Fellows, and a permanent lectureship in History and Law at Queen Mary, University of London. Her research focuses on the intellectual and legal history of international order and the history of modern legal thought. Her first book, *Statelessness: A Modern History* was published by Harvard University Press in October 2020.

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PARTICIPATION

Participants can register for the lecture via e-mail to till.hartwig@kwi-nrw.de by Monday, June 28th, 2021. Participants will receive the Zoom link after the registration.

ORGANISATION

Organised by the Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities (KWI).

FURTHER INFORMATION

[Event on the KWI website](#)

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