

*Semester Program*

*Dear Schmitties, dear Alumni and  
dear friends,*

Our topic in the summer term of 2024 is Ireland. An island that has a rich and long lasting culture. Traditional Irish Music is listened to and known everywhere. Ireland's vast green fields are filling the dreams of many young people. St. Patrick's Day is celebrated all over the world, and in almost every greater city, one can find an Irish Pub. Thus, Irish Culture has a great impact on popular culture.

But we want to look deeper and see that Ireland also has a history of imperialism, terror, and the fight for independence, which have divided the Island until today. We also aim to look into modern Irish Literature, the impact of postcolonial structures on it, but also how Ireland is depicted in the media, and the stereotypes that come along with it.

These and even more topics are what we want to discuss in the lectures this summer term. Therefore, I am happy to welcome you in the Schmittmann-Kolleg!

*Ole Paul Denda*

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Semester Opening Buffet	Fr, 05.04.2024
1. House Assembly	Thu, 18.04.2024 19 o'clock
Allumni meeting	Sa, 04.05.2024, 14 o'clock onwards
1. Lecture	Wed, 08.05.2024 19 o'clock
2. House Assembly	Tue, 28.05.2024
Schmittie trip	30.05-03.06.
2. Lecture	Wed, 05.06.2024 19 o'clock
3. House Assembly	Thu, 20.06.2024 19 o'clock
3. Lecture	Tue, 02.07.2024 19 o'clock



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## Representation of Ireland in the Media:

By Aimee Waha  
Wed, 08.05.2024  
19 o'clock via Zoom

Aimee Waha is a lecturer at the University of Würzburg's Institute for Irish Studies. She focuses on identity and its cultural representations, predominantly in literature and film, while also focusing on race and gender as well as transnational and transcultural phenomena. In her lecture, she wants to discuss the depiction of Ireland in the media. This lecture will be held via Zoom, so you can either join in the Schmittie or digitally.

## Terror and Political Violence in Ireland since 1798

By Dr. Dieter Reinisch  
Wed, 05.06.2024  
19 o'clock

Terror and political violence have been part of life in Ireland until today. But how did it emerge and develop over the past centuries? This will be brought to us by Dr. Dieter Reinisch, adjunct professor in International Relations at Webster University and independent journalist, who lives in Vienna and Belfast. He currently works at the University of Galway, researching social movement radicalisation and political violence in Germany and Ireland since the end of World War I.

## Schmittie-Trip

30.05. - 03.06.2024

This summer's Schmittie trip goes to Schleswig-Holstein. On an organic farm, we will investigate permaculture and what sustainable farming could look like. Furthermore, we will also have some self-prepared presentations and workshops regarding Ireland to broaden our knowledge of the Emerald Island. Since the farm is a self-supporting holiday house, we will cook our food ourselves and take our meals together, coming even closer as a house community and Schmitties.

## The Irish pen-to-publication pipeline: Being a (female) writer in Ireland's creative economy

By Dilâra Yilmaz  
Tue, 02.07.2024  
19 o'clock

What is it like to be a writer in contemporary Ireland? Does gender play a role in the equation? These and other questions you might want to address to Dilâra Yilmaz, a PhD student at the University of Kiel, focusing on Irish literature and gender studies. Currently, she is investigating the topic "Conditions of Contemporary Irish Women's Fiction Writing". For her lecture, she will give us a brief insight into the shape of modern Irish literature.

## Contact

If you want to participate in one of our events, please let us know, so we can prepare accordingly. For further information take a look at our webpage or follow us on social media.



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