Globalisation and rural transitions in Germany and the UK

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Friday 27 June

Morning

WARMING UP, COFFEE AND TEA

Welcome and introduction

Uwe Schneidewind, President of the University of Oldenburg
Ingo Mose, Rural Geography Working Group, German Association of Geographers
Geoff Wilson, Royal Geographical Society, Rural Geography Working Group
Guy M Robinson, Rural Geography Research Group

Section 1: Agricultural pathways, actors and rural communities

Session: Multifunctional agricultural pathways

Multifunctional agricultural pathways in the UK and German countryside: actors, policies and environment
Geoff A. Wilson (University of Plymouth) and Florian Dünckmann (University of Lüneburg)

Dairying under Attack! Farm Survival Strategies on Dorset Dairy Farms during the ‘Dairying Crisis’
Guy M Robinson (Kingston University London) and Annabelle Boulay (Food Research Institute, Norwich)

Globalization the salmon way and regionalization the carp way: Experiences with aquaculture in Scotland and Bavaria
Doris Schmied (University of Bayreuth)

LUNCH AT UNIVERSITY MENSA
Afternoon

Session: Farming Alternatives

The changing dynamics of organic farming in England and Wales
Brian Ilbery and Damian Maye (University of Gloucestershire)

‘Scaling-up’ local and organic food in the UK: collective purchase and the possibilities for moving beyond the niche
Ruth Little (Coventry University)

UK & German pasture in the bio-fuel boom: rapeseed & maize vs. cows?
Bruce Scholten (University of Durham)

COFFEE AND TEA BREAK

Session: Rural communities and actors

Changing places: Rural communities in Eastern Germany
Peter Sedlacek (University of Jena)

‘Country life’: Rurality, folk music and ‘show of hands’
Richard Yarwood (University of Plymouth)

Evaluating the Effectiveness of Partnerships in Complex Environments: An Analysis of Marine Nature-based Tourism Partnerships
Claire Kelly (University of Plymouth, UK)

Evening

Free for personal arrangements of participants

Saturday 28 June

Section 2: Rural issues and processes in a globalising world

Morning

Session: Rural policy

Integrated rural development in Germany: experiences from the ILEK Vechtetal project
Ulrike Grabski-Kieron (University of Münster)

Planning problems in areas of intensive change of landscape
Ortwin Peithmann (University of Oldenburg)
Integrating policies: rural proofing in England and Germany
Yvonne Brodda (Free lance consultant, London)

COFFEE AND TEA BREAK

Session: Rural development

Prospering regions in Rural North Rhine Westfalia
Christian Krajewski (University of Münster)

ICT for rural development: the case of Hatherleigh in the United Kingdom
Afraa Sallowm (University of Plymouth)

Regional currencies – an instrument for a sustainable and integrated rural development in a globalised world?
Birte Nienaber (Saarland University)

Afternoon

Session: Migration, demographic change and rural protest

International labour migrants in rural areas: implications for counterurbanisation and rural restructuring
Keith Halfacree (University of Swansea)

“Dying villages?” – The effects of demographic change on rural settlements in Vorpommern
Anja Reichert (University of Trier)
Rural protests and the enigmatic importance of globalisation
Michael Woods (Aberystwyth University)

COFFEE AND TEA BREAK

Conclusion

Geoff Wilson (University of Plymouth)
Ulrike Grabski-Kieron (University of Münster)
Ingo Mose (University of Oldenburg)
Guy M Robinson (Kingston University London)

Evening

Joint dinner in historic city centre
Sunday 29 June

Day 3: Rural restructuring, regional innovation, and local project work: The case of Wesermarsch County

Full day field trip from Oldenburg across Wesermarsch County with various stops at relevant places of interest: regional food marketing initiatives, cultural project work, conservation schemes in dairy farming, Wadden Sea National Park visitor centre etc.
Ingo Mose (University of Oldenburg)