

The National Archives and The Royal Historical Society Gerald Aylmer Seminar

Diverse Histories – One Archive

Wednesday 21 April 2010, Wilkins Old Refectory, Ground Floor, South Cloisters, University College, London

Chair: Baroness Lola Young

9:00–9:30 Registration and coffee

9:30–9:50 Introductions

Professor Vanessa Harding, Royal Historical Society

Dr David Thomas, The National Archives

9:50–10:35: Interactive Activity: What to Keep?

Jo Moorshead, The National Archives

10:35–10:50 Coffee

10:50–11:50 Panel 1 Debate: Selection

Jan Pimblett, London Metropolitan Archives

Dr Tony Murray, London Metropolitan University

Jo Moorshead and Julia Stocken, The National Archives

Discussion

11:50–12:20 Case Study

'Sources on German Immigrants in Britain, c1830-1919'

Professor Panikos Panayi, De Montfort University, Leicester

12:20-12:30 Interactive Activity: Language and Indexing in the Archive

Dr David Thomas, The National Archives

12:30–1:15 LUNCH

1:15-1:45 Interactive Activity: Cataloguing and Terminology

Dr Paul Carter and Sarah Hutton, The National Archives

1:45–2:45 Panel 2 Debate: The Importance of Language

Dr David Feldman, Birkbeck, University of London

Dr Jeevan Deol, University of Oxford

S.I. Martin, researcher and writer of Black History and Literature

Dr David Thomas, The National Archives

Dr Paul Carter and Sarah Hutton, The National Archives

Discussion

2:45–3:00 Tea break

3:00-3:30 Researching mental health issues at The National Archives

Sarah Hutton, The National Archives

3:30–4:30 Panel 3 Debate: How to find sources for diverse histories ?

Dr Julie Anderson, The University of Manchester

Dr Matt Houlbrook, Magdalen College, University of Oxford

Beth Brook, The National Archives

Discussion

4:30–4:45 Academic communications discussion

Ruth Roberts, The National Archives

4:45–5.15 Wrap up of Language interactive activity, round up discussion and way forward

Dr David Thomas, Professor Vanessa Harding and Baroness Lola Young

5.15 Workshop ends

5.15-7.00 Evening reception