Germany and France: Art Market and Art Collecting 1900-1945

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"Art Market and Art Collecting from 1900 to the Present in Germany and France"

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Refugee crises, trade wars, migration debates: within the context of global geopolitical, economic and cultural-political upheavals, Europe is presently undergoing a process of transformation. At the same time, European territorial occupations and past colonial rules are coming increasingly into the focus of national and transnational scholarship and the politics underlying it.

The international conference “Germany and France: Art Market and Art Collecting 1900–1945” at TU Berlin responds to these dynamics. The thematic emphasis is research into the art market and art collecting in national and transnational networks in Germany and France as well as how these networks relate to art and cultural policy from 1900 to 1945.

The conference is part of the Berlin Science Week 2018 as well as the first part of the German-French Research Programme 2018–2019 “Art Market and Art Collecting from 1900 to the Present in Germany and France”, organised by the Forum Kunst und Markt / Centre for Art Market Studies at TU Berlin and the Centre Georg Simmel at École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales in collaboration with the Deutsches Forum für Kunstgeschichte Paris.

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Welcome and Introduction:

**Bénédicte Savoy** is the Chair of History of Modern Art at the Technische Universität Berlin. Since 2016, she has held a professorship at the Collège de France in Paris as the Chair of Cultural History of Artistic Heritage in Europe, 18th – 20th Century. Bénédicte Savoy studied art history, German literature and history in Paris and Berlin and obtained her doctorate under Michel Espagne with a thesis on the French theft of art in Germany during the Napoleonic occupation. She has received numerous awards for both her research work and her academic teaching. In 2016, she was awarded the Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Prize by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft. She has published widely on topics related to her three main fields of research: art theft and looted art in a global context, transnational museum history and cultural transfer in Europe. Her most recent books include: *Die Provenienz der Kultur. Von der Trauer des Verlusts zum universalen Menschheitserbe*, Berlin (Matthes & Seitz) 2018. In 2017, Bénédicte Savoy initiated the international research cluster “translocations” investigating the displacement of cultural assets from a historical perspective.

**Dorothee Wimmer** is the director of the Forum Kunst und Markt / Centre for Art Market Studies (fokum.org), which she founded in 2012 together with Bénédicte Savoy and Johannes Nathan at the Technische Universität Berlin. She studied Art History, Romance Studies, History, and German Philology in Freiburg i. Br., Paris and Berlin. In 2003, she earned her PhD on the idea of the man in 1960s French art, literature and philosophy at the Freie Universität Berlin. She has lectured in Bremen, Berlin (FU and TU Berlin) and Heidelberg. From 2011 to 2017, she took over as the chair of the Richard-Schöne-Society für Museumsgeschichte. In 2015, she was awarded a Library Research Grant at the Getty Research Institute in Los Angeles for her book project “Rembrandt in National Socialism”, and in 2017, she was part of the DAAD German-French academic exchange programme held in cooperation with the Maison des Sciences de l’ Homme. Together with Elisabeth Furtwängler, she is one of the Berlin heads of the research programme 2018–2019 “Art Market and Art collecting from 1900 to the present in Germany and France”. Her research and publications explore the history, theories, and practices of art collecting and the art market as well as the relationships between art, politics, law and economics.

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gramm für Nachwuchswissenschaftlerinnen (NaWi). In 2015 she received her doctoral degree with a dissertation on printmaking in the post-war period in Paris (L'Estampe est à la mode - Druckgrafik im Paris der Nachkriegszeit), which was published in 2017.

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Section 1

Germany and France I: The Power of Art Publishing

Chair: Andrea Meyer (Berlin)
Marketing Instruments?
Art Book Series and the Art Market 1900–1930

Friederike Kitschen (Berlin)

After 1900, art dealers did not confine themselves to merely selling and exhibiting art works. They aimed to be active patrons and combatants of “their” artists, and therefore often also acted as editors of catalogues, portfolios and art journals. Some of them even published art book series. In the context of my research project and forthcoming study on art historical book series (i.e. Buchreihen, 'Bibliothèques’) in late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, I would like to investigate the interference of the art market and the genre of book series. Art historical book series – series of volumes with the same layout published under a common series title – were strong marketing instruments on the European and American book markets and appeared in millions of copies. Some series communicated art historical knowledge to laypeople and the grand public, others addressed students and scholars, and provided lists of works and illustrations which were of greatest interest for art collectors and art dealers. In addition, art book series increased the popularity of the selected artists and art works, and, by styling them in the series’ titles as “The Great Artists”, “Les maîtres de l’art”, or “Klassiker der Kunst”, sometimes contributed to their enduring appreciation and even canonization.

In the first part of my lecture, I would like to ask if the acceptance of an artist into a series program was sometimes influenced by his success on the art market, or if, vice versa, art dealers actively tried to push “their” artists into the roster of “great masters.” In the second part, I want to introduce a couple of art book series which were published by prominent galleries and art dealers after 1918, such as Der Sturm, L’Effort moderne, Eugène Druet, and Christian Zervos.

Friederike Kitschen is an independent scholar based in Berlin who has worked at the Museum Ulm, the German Center for Art History (DFK Paris), the Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, and the Technische Universität Berlin. She has edited and written many books and essays on nineteenth and twentieth-century art, art criticism, and historiography and is currently writing a book on art-book series, supported by grants from the Getty Research Institute, Los Angeles and the Gerda Henkel Stiftung, Düsseldorf.
Museum Acquisition Policies in Germany and France: The Interwar Advocacy of Cahiers d’Art

Chara Kolokytha (Newcastle / Berlin)

The paper discusses the ‘propaganda’ commentaries published in Cahiers d’Art in the 1930s, during a period that was marked by the culmination of the debates over the creation of a new museum of living art in Paris, which surveyed the transformation of German museums’ acquisition policies from the turn of the century onwards. The Parisian art magazine presented the case of Germany as an outstanding example of open-mindedness and favourable reception of both French and German modern art, highlighting the important role played by art dealers and artists acting as advisors to museum directors such as Hugo von Tschudi, Alfred Hagelstange, Fritz Wichert, Gustav Pauli and others. The magazine proposed private-public partnership as the only way towards the institutionalisation-consecration of modernism, referring to the benefits drawn for French modern art from the three renowned international exhibitions organised by the Sonderbund westdeutscher Kunstfreunde und Künstler between 1910 and 1912. Alexander Dörner was given space in the review to present the exhibition practices applied to the Landesmuseum of Hannover since 1923 including El Lissitsky’s Abstract Cabinet installation (1927). The magazine’s director, Christian Zervos, published pointed criticism in response to French museum officials’ claims that French modern artworks were too expensive to be purchased by public funds, underlining the risks undertaken by German museum directors and their investment in modern artworks before they fetched high prices. The bias performed in Cahiers d’Art lies in its deliberate omission to inform its French and international readership 1) about the modern art collection of the Grenoble museum established under the direction of Andry-Farcy since 1919 with the contribution of artists, dealers and collectors, and 2) the 1911 protestations that took place in Germany by artists who raised issues of speculative ‘intrusion’ of French art in German public collections (Bremen artists’ protestation, Ein Protest deutscher Künstler etc.) turning against the collaboration between directors and dealers, which has been otherwise deemed fruitful in Cahiers d’Art.

Chara Kolokytha is a research fellow at the Stiftung Arp e.V. in Berlin. As an adjunct lecturer at the University of Ioannina, she taught courses associated with French modernism and exhibition practices in Europe during the Third Republic. She holds a PhD in Art History from Northumbria University (Newcastle-upon-Tyne). She is currently revising her PhD dissertation titled Modernism and Ideology in 20th century art: Cahiers d’Art, magazine, gallery and publishing house (1926-1960) for publication. Dr Kolokytha has collaborated with and contributed to diverse collaborative projects such as the Bibliographies de critiques d’art francophones (Labex CAP, la Comue HéSam, l’HiCSA et l’Université Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne), the Art Market Dictionary (De Gruyter), the Routledge Encyclopedia of Modernism (Taylor & Francis), the Allgemeines Künstlerlexikon (AKL - De Gruyter), etc. She is currently involved in the research programme “Christian Zervos au miroir de la Grèce: Archaïsmes et art moderne dans les éditions des Cahiers d’Art”, run by the École Française d’Athènes (Section Moderne et Contemporaine), the Benaki Museum, and the Musée Zervos à Vézelay.

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In 1926, when the market for contemporary art was flourishing in Paris, Christian Zervos launched *Cahiers d’art*. The new review quickly attracted an international following, prized especially for the quality and quantity of its reproductions. In his self-styled *Revue de l’avant-garde dans tous les pays*, Zervos strove to present an authoritative and comprehensive picture of the modern scene, and thereby inserted himself in the (newly global) process through which contemporary art was exhibited, appraised, reproduced and sold. While he never realised his ambition of opening an office in Berlin and publishing a German-language edition, he notably forged important links to significant figures across the Rhine, including the dealer Alfred Flechtheim, who contributed to the review’s early, international success. For although *Cahiers d’art* was an independent enterprise and largely the work of one man, its existence depended upon a wide network of interested artists, dealers and collectors who provided texts, photographs, translations and advertising, while at the same time helping to distribute the journal worldwide.

By studying archived material relating to the review’s production and by looking at issues published up until the outbreak of war (from boom to bust and through the instability of the 1930s), my intention here is to consider *Cahiers d’art* as a key site of exposure and valorisation and to trace the shared aesthetic ideas and financial interests of Zervos and the international network he fostered through his review. To look at the pages of *Cahiers d’art* — to read the paid advertisements for galleries in Paris and beyond, the lavishly illustrated articles about contemporary artists, the studies of non-European art, and the reviews of exhibitions in those same galleries — is to behold a microcosm of the market for modern art in the interwar period and to see, in black and white, the interconnectedness of aesthetic and commercial value.

**Kate Kangaslahti** is currently a Research Fellow in the research group “Cultural History since 1750” and a Visiting Professor in the Faculty of Arts at KU Leuven, where she is researching a book on the editor and publisher Christian Zervos and the historical influence of his review, *Cahiers d’art*. She is a graduate of the University of Melbourne, Australia, and received her PhD in the History of Art from the University of Cambridge. Before moving to Belgium, she worked at both the Department of Prints and Drawings at the British Museum and as an Assistant Professor of Modern Art History at Nanyang Technological University in Singapore. Her published research addresses the history of cultural infrastructure and mediation in France in the first half of the twentieth century, through the study of museums, exhibitions, the art trade and the art press. As part of her research on *Cahiers d’art*, she is also a collaborator on “Christian Zervos au miroir de la Grèce. Archaièmes et art moderne dans les éditions des Cahiers d’art”, a joint programme of research between the École Française d’Athènes, the Musée Benaki, Athens and Musée Zervos in Vézelay.

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Section 2

Germany and France II: Confrontations, Networks and Economics

Chair: Johannes Nathan (Zürich / Berlin)
Invaders or Ordinary Collectors?
German Protagonists at Parisian Auctions (1900–1939)

Léa Saint-Raymond (Paris)

The minutes of auction sales constitute a specific French source and an exceptional door opener to the Parisian market: giving access to hammer prices, names and addresses of both sellers and bidders, they allow us to pinpoint transnational networks, in particular German actors at auction, and to compare their activity with other protagonists'. This is the aim of this paper.

The presence of German sellers and purchasers at Parisian auction triggered some patriotic reactions. In the 1910s, for instance, the dealer Ambroise Vollard considered that the German had invaded the market for modern art. To what extent were these comments disproportionate? Thanks to quantitative evidence, it becomes possible to measure the German grip on the Parisian market. Indeed, for the Asian artefacts, Berliner and Hamburger curators happened to be some key competitors for the French museums, collectors and dealers. Likewise, a few German suppliers shaped the auction market for "primitive" artefacts in the interwar period, until Hitler came to power. However, in the segment of paintings, drawings and sculptures, there was a discrepancy between the role played by German actors and the reactions they raised.

This program would represent an opportunity to present this research, regarding the presence of German collectors at Parisian auctions from 1900 through 1939, and a first step towards the other side of the Rhine, for a crossed analysis of French collectors at German auctions, during the same period.

Léa Saint-Raymond defended her PhD in Art History in October 2018, focusing on the Parisian auction market from 1830 through 1939. She also graduated in economics. In her research, she built a dataset of more than 2,000 auction catalogues and 286,076 artworks sold at auction, and she analyzed them through qualitative and quantitative methodology (econometrics, network analysis and maps). This corpus and the main results are available online. She co-founded “GeoMAP”, a georeferenced repository of the Parisian art dealers from 1815 through 1955. She also works in the Artl@s project, as the manager of the exhibition database.

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By the start of World War I, Parisian art dealer Paul Rosenberg (1881–1959) had developed a successful business and legendary stock of late 19th and early 20th century French masterpieces. He specialized in Impressionism and Post-Impressionism, and after 1918, young artists of contemporary Paris, including Picasso, Braque, Léger and Marie Laurencin. Post WWI, as Rosenberg transformed into a central figure of the contemporary art world, his patronage of new art found its greatest initial success on the German market.

To understand how the promotion and distribution of the young Paris-based artists took shape, my lecture will analyse key figures in the exchange between Rosenberg and the German-speaking realm. I will focus on two case studies: Munich-based Moderne Galerie Heinrich Thannhauser and the German/Swiss collector/marchand amateur Gottlieb Friedrich Reber, but will also include engagement between Rosenberg and the Cassirer firms, the Paris-based German dealer D. H. Kahnweiler and the Düsseldorf/Berlin collector and gallerist Alfred Flechtheim.

Within these networks, I will consider the significance of transnational Jewish identity within this Franco-German art market network; examine collecting trends and marketing strategies via several significant transactions, which particularly give shape to how Cubism became a commercial success in Germany; and problematize how following the aesthetic retour à l’ordre, Rosenberg situated the artists of the contemporary Parisian school in a lineage of “Frenchness” after 1918. Using newly available, unpublished material from The Paul Rosenberg Archives, including extensive correspondence, transactional records and photographic material, this lecturer will ultimately argue Rosenberg’s critical and under-represented role in the promotion and collection of French Modern Art in Germany.

MaryKate Cleary is an art historian and lecturer specializing in Modern and Contemporary Art, the history of the art market and collecting, provenance research and cultural property issues in the Nazi Era. She is currently pursuing a PhD in the History of Art at the University of Edinburgh, where her research focuses on the Galerie Paul Rosenberg and the transnational market for and institutional collecting of the avant-garde art in interwar Paris, London and New York. MaryKate has lectured widely, including as an Adjunct Professor at New York University, where she taught the first academic course at a US institution dedicated to Provenance Research. She has also guest-lectured at Columbia University, Stanford University, Loyola Law School, Warwick University, Kingston University, The University of Zurich, Christie’s Education, Sotheby’s Education and the Cleveland Museum of Art. MaryKate previously held roles as Director of Research at Art Recovery Group, Collection Specialist in Painting & Sculpture at The Museum of Modern Art, Manager of Historic Claims and Research at the Art Loss Register London, as well roles with Sotheby’s, artnet.com and the Jewish Museum New York. She holds a BA in German Literature from Catholic University in Washington, D.C. (2006) and was

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The French-German Connections of the Art Dealer and Collector Wilhelm Uhde (1874–1947)

Yves Guignard (Lausanne)

The suggested presentation aims at investigating the connexions of Wilhelm Uhde with the German art collectors of modern French paintings. It intends to give an overview of his activities as a transnational intermediary and seller for these artists. Without the existence of any specific archives or registers about Uhde’s business as an art dealer, this paper will illustrate how we can figure out, through crossed sources, the importance of his German network and argue its major importance for his commercial activity. To whom was Uhde positioning his artists and where did he find supporters for their art across the Rhine?

Wilhelm Uhde (1874-1947), German art dealer and collector, lived in Paris for most of his career. Between 1903 and 1914, he was among the firsts to buy the works of the fauves and cubists as well as Henri Rousseau. At the same time, in Germany, he sold these paintings and organized exhibitions (at Schulte in Berlin in 1907 and at Osthaus in Hagen). He collaborated with Flechtheim in Düsseldorf and supplied the collections of H. B. Simms and M. L. Flemming in Hamburg, K. Glaser and H. Perls in Berlin, F. Kluxen in Boldixum, A. Blank in Hofheim am Taunus and especially E. Suерmondt in Aachen. In 1914, he was expelled out of French territory and all his belongings were seized and then sold. For a while, he seemed to be absent from the art world, but from 1922 to 1924, he became manager of Wolfgang Gurlitt’s gallery in Berlin. Back to this specific business, he returned to Paris where he provided the Gurlitt Gallery with modern paintings. But the cost of the artistes he used to deal with is now too high for him; he therefore turned to the youngest protagonists of the “Ecole de Paris” and the naive painters, “heirs” of the Douanier Rousseau.

Uhde had to start again from nothing, and he built new networks in Germany with other artists and new collectors, including R. Moering, H. Simon, E. Charell, K. Feldhäusser and Dr. Alsberg in Berlin, H. F. Secker and A. E. Brinckmann in Cologne, Mr. Simon in Düsseldorf. He established contacts with museums where he managed to place his artists, notably in Kassel and Frankfurt. When the Nazi regime declared his artists “degenerated”, it continued to sell them in Paris, but also in London and the USA. After 1945 and until his death in 1947, still based in Paris, he kept trying to activate contacts in Germany.

Yves Guignard is preparing a doctoral thesis on the German art dealer Wilhelm Uhde at the University of Lausanne (Switzerland). He translates from German to French for the Radio Télévision Suisse and Editions Zoé and also works as a cultural mediator for the Fondation Beyeler. He worked in the same role for the Kunstmuseum Basel, the Fondation de l’Hermitage and the Musée cantonal des Beaux-Arts, Lausanne. He’s also working currently as archivist for the family of the painter Balthus and manages the greatest archive database on this artist. His last publications are about Balthus for the current exhibition at Fondation Beyeler, about Wilhelm Uhde for the eponymous exhibition at the LAM Villeneuve d’Ascq (sept. 2017-jan. 2018) and about Ferdinand Hodler for an exhibition at the Fondation Bodmer, Cologny/Genève (oct. 2018.-apr. 2019)

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This paper argues that the collapse in the value of the French franc played a significant role in the supply and demand dynamics of the interwar art market for French modernist art. While recent publications and exhibitions have addressed the constellation of aesthetic, political, social and economic factors that shaped the market for French modernist art during the interwar period, the specific impact of the franc’s devaluation remains less studied. By drawing on unpublished archival correspondence, provenance records and quantitative economic data, this paper demonstrates that art collectors domiciled in countries with stable currencies, typically located outside of Europe, experienced a dramatic increase in purchasing power against the franc during the interwar period, which, in turn, significantly influenced the timing, scale and geographic dispersion of collecting activity in French modernist art. Co-currently, an unprecedented wave of capital fled from France, principally motivated by economic factors inherently interconnected with the devaluation of the franc, becoming a significant factor in the monetisation of many of the original European collections of French modernist art. To substantiate these arguments, thirty-seven paintings featuring one of Paul Cézanne’s most iconic motifs, Mont Sainte-Victoire, are used as a case study to critically analyse the supply and demand dynamics of the interwar French art market. Further analysis indicates that the impact of currency devaluations on the collecting activity associated with this group of paintings can also be seen as emblematic of the pan-European art market for liquid and transportable cultural objects more generally. By foregrounding the impact of interwar currency devaluations, this paper provides an alternative perspective within which interwar art collecting activity, French and German art markets, and transnational networks that can be further contextualised and understood.


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Keynote Lecture
Modern and Contemporary French and German Artists: Quality – Value – Ranking

Marek Claassen (Berlin)

The presentation deals with a different perspective on historical developments in the art world. Instead of following the traditional approach to understand art through the observation of an existing object, our goal is to raise awareness of the fact that art history is made up of exhibitions. The ArtFacts.Net approach to understand the mechanisms underlying the ‘operating system’ of the art world is to accumulate exhibitions and translate this data into a ranked algorithm that creates a comparative model. This gives users a new perspective on emerging trends as well as art history. I will share with you the aesthetics that dominate today’s art world and, how French and German art are perceived nationally and internationally. How can we overcome the problem of always focussing on the very few artists that fetch the highest prices in auction? During my presentation I aim to show a varied response to these questions through analysis of both primary and secondary art markets.

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Section 3

Germany and France III: Politics and Markets

Chair: Meike Hopp (München / Berlin)
Raoul La Roche and the Sales from Kahnweiler’s “Enemy Property” after WW I

Vérane Tasseau (Paris)

The four “Kahnweiler sales” that took place between June 1921 and May 1923, were an unprecedented event in the history of modern art and were disastrous for the emerging Cubist art market. As a German dealer settled in Paris, Kahnweiler spent the whole period of WWI in Switzerland refusing to take position in the conflict between France and Germany and was consequently considered as enemy by France. The French government seized the entire stock of his gallery at the end of 1914, together with the holdings of most German dealers in Paris in order to be sold at auctions. The financial product of the sales went to Treasury Department as war compensation. The fruit of seven years of accumulated stock, totaling more than eight hundred cubist artworks, was thrown on the market. Prices, with already undervalued estimates, decreased as sales progressed.

If connoisseurs of Cubism and Kahnweiler’s friends were outraged by such a practice, all actors of modern art – including many dealers – participated, hoping to carry out speculative operations in the longer term. The French political climate after the First World War was highly nationalist and cubist art was regarded as art “boche” since it was defended by a German dealer and exhibited mainly in Germany before 1914. Braving the taste and criticism of that time, Raoul La Roche (1889–1965), entrusted Le Corbusier and Ozenfant to bid on his behalf, creating the basis of an amazing Cubist collection. We will see, through a body of detailed works by Picasso, Braque and Léger, how this young Swiss banker, based in Paris since 1912, was the most important private buyer in Kahnweiler sales. Facing a volatile art market until the crisis of 1929, we will try to show that La Roche was the only Parisian to keep his collection intact until his gifts to the Kunstmuseum Basel in 1952, 1956 and 1963, at the National Museum of Modern Art in Paris in 1953 and the Beaux-Arts in Lyon in 1954.

Vérane Tasseau is a part-time researcher for the Picasso Estate, a freelance art historian and researcher in Paris and a PhD student at Université Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne working on the Daniel-Henry Kahnweiler sales held between 1921 and 1923 following the sequestration of his gallery’s stock in 1914. She was the initial fellow at The Leonard A. Lauder Research Center for Modern Art at the Metropolitan Museum to pursue her Kahnweiler research project. She published essays such as “La vente de séquestre de la collection de Wilhelm Uhde”, cat. ex. Wilhelm Uhde et Les Primitifs modernes, LAM, 2017, “Les ventes de séquestre du marchand Daniel-Henry Kahnweiler (1921-1923)” in Archives juives n°50/1, or “Les Ventes de séquestre de la galerie Kahnweiler et leur réseau d’acheteur : André Breton et Paul Eluard” in Picasso Administration Journal, 2017. From 2001 to 2005, she worked as a curatorial assistant at the Picasso Museum, Paris (Matisse Picasso and Picasso Surreal). In 2003, she received a grant from MoMA to assist with the reinstallation of the museum’s permanent collection and, in 2006, returned to MoMA as research assistant. With Cécile Godefroy, she edited a special issue on Picasso’s working techniques for Cahiers d’Art (December 2015). She recently wrote a vulgarization book on Picasso (Hazan, 2018).

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Secret Networks. Jewish Art Dealers Active in France during the Occupation

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The German occupation of France from 1940 to 1944 represents a dark chapter in the history of German-French relations. The drastic changes resulting from the political situation covered all aspects of life. The art market was no exception to this, yet certain things remained unchanged such as the pivotal role of Paris. The city remained during the occupation what it had been before: the centre of the European art market. Due to attractive exchange rates, in particular German collectors and museums bought art in Paris. Many of them favoured established auction houses like the Hôtel Drouot, but also the gallery market benefited from the cash flow. The fast-growing networks of art dealers in Paris, who worked particularly closely with the Germans, are the focus of this study. Some of the dealers, who appear consistently in this context, but have hardly been researched so far, are Jewish art dealers who fled from the Nazis to France - and then did business with the Germans. For example, the Austrian-born gallery owner Hugo Engel worked closely with Karl Haberstock, an agent for Hitler’s Führermuseum in Linz, in his Parisian art gallery. Also worthy of mention is Jean Lenthal, who was born in Vienna under the name Hans Löwenthal. During the occupation, Lenthal, who was based in Paris, collaborated in particular with the Nazi art dealer Hildebrand Gurlitt. What motivations drove these dealers to cooperate with representatives of the German occupying forces? Under what conditions were they able to work in the art trade in France, even though Jews were excluded from any profession? Were they just “straw men” used by Hitler’s art agents to disguise suspicious transactions? Which German-French networks of art dealers and collectors did they use?

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Experts consist of a group of actors whose authority in the field of the art market and art collecting goes unchallenged. My contribution to the workshop will shed light on the working procedures of the ERR, together with experts in other institutions and based on parts of the unpublished archive of the ethnologist and art historian Walter Borchers (1906-1980) who worked at the ERR from 1942-1945 in Paris. Borchers, deputy head of the ERR, attests in his correspondence to how he consulted relevant experts, sending them photographic reproductions of art works. The expert would return a detailed expertise on the art work, helping the ERR team then to label, conduct inventory, file and evaluate the (most often) looted art works. This process was decisive in placing the works of art either in the field of collecting – be it in the field of museums and thus, above all, the special commission of Linz – in the private collections of National Socialist power holders (Goering, Bormann, or others). Art works which were not filed for collecting could be either released for exchanges or even destroyed. Using the example of the expertise of some tapestries, the analysis will demonstrate the effective relationship of the ERR member Borchers had with the tapestry specialist Heinrich Göbel (1879-1951), which helped him file and categorize art works in France under German occupation. The presentation will further show how retracing this network can be useful for provenance research.

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“Before it is too late”: Acquisitions of Islamic Art by Berlin Museums

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Despite the confiscation of many art collections - mainly in the hands of Jewish families - and its isolation on an international scale, the French art market was very prosperous during the German occupation. However, this economic boom raising the wealth of many French art dealers at the time, was not only driven by the notorious passion for art of members of the nazi elite like Hitler and Göring but also by the vast number of acquisitions made by German museums in France. The Rhenish museums, in particular, bought hundreds of artworks for millions of Francs. Yet, after the Second World War, most of those acquisitions - considered to have been illegally acquired - were returned to France with the help of the American and British Allies and are now mainly kept by the so called Musées Nationaux Récupération.

While the problematic acquisitions made by the Rhenish Museums have been subject to many studies, the acquisition policy of the Berlin Museums on the Parisian art market during occupation has long been ignored. Ironically, because no artworks have ever been returned to France. Yet, my research shows that the Berlin Museums have also bought directly and indirectly various objects during the occupation. But in contrast to the Rhenish museums, those acquisitions were made pretty late and consisted mainly of antiquities. In case of the Islamic Department, for instance, multiple miniatures, ceramics, metal- and woodworks, as well as carpets, arrived from Paris between 1942 and 1943.

My research in archives throughout Berlin and Paris aims to reconstruct the circumstances of those acquisitions in order to learn more about the actors of the art traffic on the Parisian market during the occupation and their networks. Due to the special nature of the Berlin acquisitions, my focus is on the Parisian antiquity dealers which sold artworks to nearly every major museum in the world. Curiously enough, almost nothing is known about these dealers today. Hence, the study of the acquisitions made by the Berlin museums during the occupation should not only permit a discussion on the moral and juridical implications of acquisitions made under territorial occupation and during religious persecution, but also sensitize for some blank spots in the study of the French art market.

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