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FOREWORD

This guide has been prepared by the Bundesstiftung zur Aufarbeitung der SED-Diktatur (Foundation for the Reappraisal of the SED-Dictatorship) and the Centre for East German Studies (CEGS) at the University of Reading as part of the programme of cooperation between the two institutions. The initiative to create this research aid belongs to the Bundesstiftung zur Aufarbeitung der SED-Diktatur and follows on from the survey on resources and research on East Germany published by the Centre for East German Studies in 1995. We wish to thank Dr Ulrich Mählert from the Stiftung Aufarbeitung for initiating this current project and for his help in its preparation. We wish also to thank all those who completed and returned our institutional or individual questionnaires. Anyone omitted is invited to complete the form at the end of this Vademecum in order to be presented in later, possibly online, editions.

An innovation in this Vademecum is the inclusion of a section (2.4) which contains a list of individual researchers. We have done this because, as is mentioned in the introduction, research developments in particular institutions have very often occurred as a result of individual initiatives. When individual researchers are mentioned in institutional entries, they are not included in this list.

Peter Barker and John Wieczorek, November 2007
On no other aspect of German history — and presumably that of any other country — has so much research been carried out as in the 1990s on the history of the GDR. After the peaceful revolution in the autumn of 1989 and German re-unification research on the GDR experienced a high level of activity. Within a very short period of time more than a thousand projects were initiated, using the newly available, rich archival resources, to remove the “blank spots” in the history of the second German dictatorship or to review previous theories and conclusions. A decade after the fall of the Wall many of the new sources of funding, which had made this research possible, started to dry up. The boom in research on the GDR was followed by a sharp drop in activity, which affected the number of university research projects in this area. At the same time a wave of nostalgia for the East (Ostalgie) appeared to undermine a critical assessment of the SED dictatorship; from a number of quarters calls were heard, not for the first time, for a line to be drawn under the past. Such fears have proved to be without foundation in recent times. Despite — or perhaps precisely because of — all the attempts to soften assessments of GDR history, which have come again and again from the PDS camp, and have been pursued in particular by former Stasi officers, it is possible to discern an increasing sense of responsibility in the public mind, the media, politics and — particularly important — in the field of education. As a result, the history and consequences of the SED dictatorship now have a permanent place in our national memory. Alongside this development the first attempts have been made to put the GDR in its historical context. At the same time more and more researchers have come to the conclusion that the history of the GDR cannot be considered in isolation, but has to be seen in the context of its links with the history of West Germany and the Eastern Bloc countries. An increase in new research projects has also been seen recently. Amongst younger researchers interest in the topic has remained high; the large number of dissertations completed in this area since the beginning of the 1990s provides clear evidence. The general decline in research on the GDR mentioned above has encouraged those who have continued to pursue research in this area to look critically at the state of this research. During all the controversial debates which have been conducted concerning these research results, hardly any protagonist working in the area of GDR history can deny that this research was in this respect very inward-looking and took almost no account of research on the SED dictatorship conducted outside Germany. The Bundesstiftung zur Aufarbeitung der SED-Diktatur (Federal Foundation for the Reappraisal of the SED Dictatorship), set up in 1998 by the German Parliament, considers it one of its many tasks to establish a network for researchers working
abroad and in Germany itself, which aims to bring together research on the causes, history and consequences of this dictatorship in the Soviet Zone of Occupation and the GDR, as well as on the division of Germany; in this way it aims to contribute to the exchange of knowledge. The Foundation supports international cooperation concerning the appraisal of communist dictatorships in the twentieth century by organising study trips, conferences, providing grants to cover publication costs, and by supporting projects for exhibitions and publications, not least the series of booklets, of which the present one is the sixth. The previous booklets were guides to archives, libraries, research institutes, organisations concerned with contemporary history, associations for victims, museums and commemorative sites in Poland, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Bulgaria and Rumania. They also presented information on documents and books on the history of communist dictatorships in these countries and research on their own history. The *Vademecum Research in Great Britain and Ireland on the GDR, the Division of Germany and post-Unification Germany* concentrates for the first time on the research, archives and libraries of a country, which lay outside the area of communist control. As a result the British Vademecum presents institutions, which are concerned in the broadest sense with GDR history, the division of Germany and its consequences. I am particularly struck by the broad and diverse range of this research landscape in Great Britain.

The Federal Foundation is pursuing two major aims with this Vademecum. First of all the British Vademecum is designed to draw the attention of “GDR researchers” in Germany and elsewhere to colleagues in Britain and Ireland, and to their areas of research, in order to stimulate cooperation and to extend horizons beyond the German scene. Secondly, the present volume is designed to allow British research on the GDR and a united Germany to be introduced to a wider audience, and thereby increase its profile. Implicit in this is the hope that young, and not so young British researchers, will possibly be encouraged to engage with these topics.

In the name of the Foundation I would like to thank Peter Barker and John Wieczorek most warmly for assembling and editing this Vademecum. The volume is a further productive result of the cooperation between the Centre for East German Studies at the University of Reading and the Foundation, which was agreed in the summer of 2005, and which has already resulted in a joint conference and the publication of a volume of papers from that conference.

Rainer Eppelmann, December 2007
1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Research and research resources in Great Britain and Ireland on the GDR and post-GDR

By Peter Barker

The Situation before 1989

A number of studies have described in detail the development of GDR studies in Britain before 1989, and all are agreed that, with a few exceptions, serious research did not really start until the late 1960s. It was given impetus by closer relations between the Western Allies, West Germany and the GDR, the Basic Treaty of 1973 and the subsequent establishing of diplomatic relations between the occupying powers in West Germany and the GDR from 1973 onwards. I do not want to go over the ground covered in these articles again, as I want to concentrate in this introduction on the sources available to the researcher on the GDR in the UK. As David Childs has pointed out in a recent article the problems for social scientists conducting research on the GDR before 1989 were immense. It was extremely difficult to gain access to reliable primary material and statistics. Researchers depended on gaining insights through personal contacts in the GDR and on personal experiences on visits to the GDR, as the material made available to Western researchers by the GDR authorities was very limited and often biased in its presentation. The dangers of basing research on purely GDR sources were clearly apparent in Gwyn Edwards’ book from 1985. Although it contained useful material on particular areas, its almost total reliance on East German sources meant that her viewpoint was strongly influenced by official SED policy. The only other major source of information before 1989 for social scientists was the

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research institutes in West Germany, but it has become clear since unification that despite their greater access to material in the GDR, many of the analyses made before 1989, especially of the economy, were way off the mark. Despite the difficulties, a number of political scientists did produce important work on the GDR before 1989, most notably, Timothy Garton Ash, David Childs, Mike Dennis and Martin McCauley.

Sources for political scientists in the UK before 1989 were limited. The one major source was the Public Records Office in Kew (now the National Archives), which contains the documents of the British Foreign Office, the Cabinet Office and the Prime Minister’s office. These did become available in relation to the Soviet Zone of Occupation and the early years of the GDR from the late 1970s onwards after the expiry of the 30 years rule, but some of the more sensitive documents, especially those emanating from MI5 and MI6, remained closed for longer, or permanently. Other possible sources of primary material were the GDR newspapers available in the newspapers section of the British Library at Colindale, and the records of the British Military Government of Berlin (1946–1980) along with the Childs-McCauley-Wallace Newspaper Archive, housed in the former Institute of German, Austrian and Swiss Affairs (INGASA) at the University of Nottingham. This collection is now available in the special collections of the Nottingham University Library.

The difficulties experienced by social scientists in analysing the GDR economy, political structures and society before 1990 explain perhaps why cultural and literary studies provided the main emphasis in GDR studies in the UK before 1989. Access to the literary texts or films was much more straightforward than access to objective political and economic documents. Professor Ian Wallace calculated in the late 1980s that out of around fifty active researchers on the GDR working in British institutions of higher education, approximately thirty were working primarily on literature and culture.4 As a result the main concentrations of expertise were in the cultural field, and were mostly the result of individual commitment to GDR studies, rather than arising from institutional support. In the social sciences, GDR studies often formed a small part of Soviet and East European Studies, for example at St Anthony’s College Oxford, the School of Slavonic and East European Studies in London (SSEES), and similar institutes at the universities of Birmingham and Glasgow. As Martin McCauley noted at a British Library symposium in 1985 in a report entitled ‘Materials published in the German Democratic Republic: holdings and acquisitions policies of British academic libraries’: ‘holdings generally were inadequate from the scholar’s point of view, particularly in the social sciences.’5

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One attraction for the German Studies scholar was the opportunity that GDR studies provided to develop interdisciplinary research, as literary and cultural studies of the GDR tended, of necessity, to be seen against the social and political background of the GDR. This was particularly evident at the series of conferences organised by Ian Wallace in the 1980s on GDR Studies and in the journal founded by him in 1979, *GDR Monitor*, which brought together contributions from literary specialists and social scientists. The same was true of the ‘Systemvergleich’ conferences held annually at the *Gesamteuropäisches Studienwerk* in Vlotho from 1983 and the New Hampshire symposia in the USA, which continued until the late 1990s. Here the influence of researchers from the former polytechnics was noticeable, as the tendency to combine literary studies with history, politics and sociology was much stronger on polytechnic courses than in the pre-1992 universities where the main emphasis was on language and literature studies. This interdisciplinary approach continued after 1990, but a major change came with the collapse of the GDR and unification with West Germany in 1990, in particular for contemporary historians and social scientists.

### The Situation after 1990

This change came about as a result of direct access to primary sources, which had been so difficult before 1990. Contemporary historians in the UK, with only a few exceptions such as Mary Fulbrook and Timothy Garton Ash, had tended to avoid working on the GDR before 1990. But after 1990 access to the archives of the SED, the Block parties and the mass organisations happened with amazing speed for researchers used to the 30-year rule in Britain. By 1993 the first sets of files were becoming available to academic researchers in the old *Institut für Marxismus-Leninismus* in Berlin. It took longer as an academic researcher to gain access to the files of the *Ministerium für Staatssicherheit*, as priority had been given after the opening of the files at the beginning of 1992 to the victims of operations by the *Staatssicherheit*, but by the middle of the 1990s it also became possible to gain access to material here.

This unprecedented access to primary documents, as well as the easier physical access to the eastern part of Germany after 1990, which gave researchers the freedom to conduct personal interviews about aspects of life in the GDR, meant that in the 1990s researchers went to Germany in order to gain access to primary sources and to conduct fieldwork. This applied to both social scientists and literary/cultural researchers, as literary and film archives were also opened up. With the 30 years rule applying in the National Archives in Kew, it is still only possible to gain access to files of the British Foreign Office up to the latter part of the 1970s. Although this limitation rule also applies to files which were transferred from GDR to German ministries
in 1990, it is still possible, because of the close linkage between SED and government structures in the GDR, to gain important insights into most aspects of government decision-making in the GDR through studying the files that are available.

Interest in the GDR and post-GDR increased in the early years after unification, stimulated by the sudden access to material which had previously been barred to western, and most eastern, researchers. As a result, a number of research groups were founded, which were usually funded by the major funding organisations, such as the AHRB and the ESRC. It is not possible here to mention all the projects: in the area of contemporary history, major projects developed at University College London led by Mary Fulbrook, at the University of Cardiff under Jonathan Osmond and Patrick Major (University of Warwick). These were concerned with particular aspects of GDR history and were based primarily on sources or fieldwork in Germany. A separate project at Cardiff led by Stefan Berger (now at the University of Manchester) and Norman Laporte (University of Glamorgan) was also in the area of contemporary history, but was particularly concerned with British-GDR relations. The latter project did draw on material held in the UK, as well as on German sources, such as the Labour Party archive in Manchester and the National Archives in Kew.

In economics and the social sciences, a number of projects were initiated, of which perhaps the most important was the Social Transformation in East Germany Study Group. This group was initiated and led by the late Eva Kolinsky from the University of Keele (later the University of Wolverhampton), and included a number of researchers on the GDR and post-GDR, above all Mike Dennis (University of Wolverhampton), Christopher Flockton (University of Surrey) and Jonathan Grix (University of Birmingham). Over a seven-year period from the middle of the 1990s it organised a number of workshops, very often under the umbrella of the Institute for German Studies at the University of Birmingham, and its work resulted in a number of publications in the areas of economic and social change in eastern Germany.

In the cultural sphere, a number of institutions have continued or developed interests in GDR and post-GDR culture. In many ways, there has been less of a break in research in this area; in a recent article Dennis Tate (University of Bath) emphasised some of the continuities in cultural research. In University German departments, such as Bath, Edinburgh, Keele, Nottingham, Reading and Swansea continued their research in this area, while other departments, such as Bristol, Leeds, Liverpool and Newcastle have developed strengths in GDR cultural studies after unification. One particular development has been the focus on film, in particular on the GDR state film company, DEFA.

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(Deutsche Filmaktiengesellschaft). The range of interest in this area became apparent when the Centre for East German Studies at the University of Reading held the first conference in the UK on DEFA in 1996. A number of conferences on GDR cultural topics have been held throughout the 1990s and have continued after the Millennium. Reading restarted the conferences at the Gesamteuropäisches Studienwerk in Vlotho in 1995 with GDR-related topics; these have now developed into different fields led by the University of Warwick. The Centre for East German Studies at Reading has organised a number of conferences on eastern German topics, political, social and cultural, since its foundation in 1994 and continues to act as a focus for GDR and post-GDR studies. Its first conference organised jointly with the Stiftung zur Aufarbeitung der SED-Diktatur in July 2006, Views from Abroad. Die DDR aus britischer Perspektive, demonstrated continuing interest in Britain in GDR and post-GDR studies. Further evidence of this continuing interest in GDR historical, political and cultural studies can be seen in the number of doctoral students working in these areas. A number of universities, such as Bath, Leeds, Nottingham, Reading and University College London have seen a steady rise in applications at post-graduate level.

Research resources on the GDR in the United Kingdom

The following lists contain the major sources of material on the GDR and post-GDR located in the United Kingdom and most of the researchers working in this area. We can in no way claim to be comprehensive, but we hope that information on the main centres, archives and researchers is collected here. What the list indicates is the power of British centralisation, with much being collected in relatively few sites in London, such as the National Archives, and with only a significant amount of Labour, Communist Party and Trade Union material being collected elsewhere. At the level of university libraries, where funds are so limited, departments have been encouraged to play to their strengths, and this has led to substantial holdings being concentrated in those institutions where there are departmental strengths in GDR studies. We have therefore not, as a general rule, listed university libraries unless they contain a particular collection. This process of centralisation is perhaps also reflected in the decision to set up a GDR Archive at Reading to act as a repository for holdings from other institutions. It may well be that there are substantial holdings of which we are not aware, so that this Vademecum may need to be reviewed in the light of material and activities which come to light from other universities and centres.
In the period before 1989 the associations that acted as focuses of different aspects of German studies showed little interest in the GDR, with the exception of the Association for the Study of German Politics (ASGP). Several of the social scientists who specialised in the GDR were members of the ASGP after its foundation in 1972, such as David Childs, Mike Dennis and Christopher Flockton, and over the 1970s and 1980s a number of workshops on the GDR were organised, although the main focus of the Association remained West Germany. With the collapse of the GDR and unification the situation changed. The ASGP took a particular interest in the processes of political and economic transformation in the eastern states and a number of its conferences and workshops focused on the post-GDR. Several of the leading members of the ASGP, such as Eva Kolinsky and Christopher Flockton, were central figures in the Social Transformation in East Germany Study Group referred to above. The Institute for German Studies at the University of Birmingham, where many of these workshops took place, was, and still is, central to the organisation of the ASGP (since 2007 the IASGP).

The German History Society has also played an important part since 1989 in the organisation of workshops and conferences on the GDR. This support usually took the form of contributions to the funding of these events, rather than the development of a specific policy in relation to the GDR. The initiative remained with individual historians who developed specific projects in relation to GDR history. The same can be said of the Conference of University Teachers of German in Great Britain and Ireland (CUTG). It is only in recent years that a stronger focus on GDR studies can be detected, for example in conference sections on film studies. For the first time in its history there will be a section on the GDR at the annual conference of the CUTG at Queen’s University Belfast in 2009. Finally, the Association for Modern German Studies (AMGS), which was only founded in 1983, has since 1990 organised several conferences with an eastern German focus, for example Frauen nach der Wende in 1995 and Transformation Processes in Eastern Germany in 2004. The papers from these conferences were then subsequently published as special numbers of the online journal, German as a Foreign Language.

None of the associations had a specific policy on how to approach the GDR, but as a result of the initiatives of individual members, and as the profile of GDR and post-GDR studies has been raised, especially in the last ten to fifteen years, this subject has tended to play an increasing role in their activities.
1.3 The National Archives in Kew

The National Archives in Kew (formerly the Public Records Office) represents the most important source for researchers in the UK on the GDR, particularly those interested in the history of the GDR, the politics of the Cold War and the division of Germany.

The holdings are essentially that of British (and before that, English) central government and the central legal system back to the 12th century; including those relating to almost all departments of state and central courts. They have a total of more than 10 million orderable units (i.e. boxes, files or volumes) available for public view.

For researchers into the GDR and the division of Germany the most important sets of files are those of the relevant departments of the Foreign Office (FO), the Cabinet Office (CAB), the Prime Minister’s Office (PREM), the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) after the merger of the two departments in 1967–1968. Researchers into GDR culture are most likely to find material in the files of the British Council (BW); there is very little on the post-GDR period, except in the minutes of meetings of the Allied Kommendatura, Berlin (FO 1112).

Researchers are recommended to carry out key word searches of the online catalogue to pick out single isolated files on matters such as trade deals or military planning, but simple key phrases such as ‘East Germany’ or ‘The Democratic Republic of Germany’ are also likely to pick up individual topics.

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2. LIST OF ENTRIES

2.1 Archives and Libraries

Bath University
University Library

Claverton Down
Bath BA2 7AY
Tel.: Library and Learning Centre: +44 (0)1225 386084
Fax: Library and Learning Centre: +44 (0)1225 386229
Email: Library@bath.ac.uk
Website: www.bath.ac.uk

Head: Howard Nicholson (Librarian)
Email: H.D.Nicholson@bath.ac.uk

Financing: public
Holdings: Library holdings and collections on the culture and politics of the GDR; post-unification perspectives on the GDR. Good collection of primary and secondary literature and complete runs of main periodicals dating back to the 1970s. Includes the Barbara Einhorn Collection, an extensive range of literary texts.
Opening hours: 24 hours/daily during two teaching semesters and 8:00 – 22:00 (weekdays) and 8:00 – 18:00 (weekends) during vacations.

West Yorkshire Archive Service Bradford
Bradford Central Library

Princes Way
Bradford, BD1 1NN
Tel.: +44 (0)1274 435099
Email: bradford@wyjs.org.uk
Website: www.archives.wyjs.org.uk

Contact: Mrs Letitia Lawson (Senior Archivist)
Email: As above
Financing: public
Main strengths of archive: collection of records for the German Democratic Republic Friendship Society for the period 1985 – 1990
Form of catalogue: None currently available
Opening times: Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri: 9:30 – 17:00 and until 19:30 on the first and third Thursdays of the month.

**Cambridge University**

**Stefan Heym Archive**

Department of Manuscripts and University Archives
Cambridge University Library
West Road
Cambridge CB3 9DR
Website: www.lib.cam.ac.uk/MSS/Heym.html

Contact: David Lowe (Head, European Collections and Cataloguing)
Email: dkl1000@cam.ac.uk

Financing: public
Main strengths of archive: Very large collection of manuscripts and material donated by Stefan Heym and subsequently enlarged by the University.
Form of catalogue: Printed, in progress.
Opening times: Mon–Fri: 9:30–18:50, Sat: 9:30–12:30

**Chester University**

**Interviews with Women in Eastern Germany Collection**

Seabourne Library
Parkgate Road
Chester, CH1 4BJ
Tel.: +44 (0)1244 513301
Website: www.chester.ac.uk

Contact: Fiona McLean (Subject Librarian, Arts & Media and Humanities)
Email: f.mclean@chester.ac.uk
Tel.: +44 (0)1244 513304
Financing: public
Main strengths of archive: collection of extended interviews with women in eastern Germany, carried out by Dr Debbie Wagener.
Form of catalogue: online in mp3 format at http://libcat.chester.ac.uk

Opening times:
Term-time: Mon–Fri: 8:30–21:00, Sat–Sun: 12:00–18:00,
Vacation: Mon–Fri: 9:00–17:30 (late night opening Wed until 20:00)

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**Edinburgh University**

**Karin McPherson Collection**

**Special Collections**

Edinburgh University Library
George Square
Edinburgh EH8 9LJ
Scotland, UK

Tel.: +44 (0)131 650 8379
Fax: +44 (0)131 650 6863
Email: special.collections.library@ed.ac.uk
Website: www.lib.ed.ac.uk/resources/collections/specdivision/

Head: Dr John Scally (Director of University Collections)
Email: john.scally@ed.ac.uk
Contact: special.collections.library@ed.ac.uk

Holdings: The Karin McPherson Collection comprises approx. 1600 texts published in and on the GDR. Its particular strengths are in GDR literature and cultural politics.
Opening times: Mon–Fri: 9:00–17:00

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**Essex University**

**Ellis East European Elections Collection**

**Special Collections**

Albert Sloman Library
Wivenhoe Park
Colchester CO4 3SQ

Tel.: +44 (0)1206 873192
Fax: +44 (0)1206 872289
Website: http://libwww.essex.ac.uk/speccol.htm
Archives and Libraries

Head: Robert Butler
Email: Robert@essex.ac.uk
Contact: Nigel Cochrane
Email: niglc@essex.ac.uk

Financing: public
Holdings: Documentation and memorabilia pertaining to first democratic (i.e. post-communist) elections held in Eastern Europe in early 1990s
Opening times: Daily 8:00–22:00, reduced hours at weekends and in university vacations. Contact for details.

Leeds University
Leeds Russian Archive

Brotherton Library
University of Leeds
Leeds LS2 9JT
Tel.: +44 (0)113 34 35663
Fax: +44 (0)113 34 35561
Website: www.leeds.ac.uk/library/spcoll/lra/index.htm

Contact: Mr R. Davies (Archivist)
Email: r.d.davies@leeds.ac.uk

Financing: public
Main strengths of archive: Manuscripts, photographs and printed books documenting Russian history and culture, and Anglo-Russian contacts in the 19th and 20th centuries, including archives of National Association for Soviet and East European Studies (NASEES) / British National Association for Soviet and East European Studies (BNASEES).
Opening times (term): Mon–Thurs: 8:00–24:00, Fri: 08:00–19:00, Sat: 10:00–17:00, Sun: 10:00–24:00. Shorter in vacation.

British Film Institute, Stanley Forman Archive of GDR documentary films

21 Stephen Street
London W1T 1LN
Tel.: +44 (0)20 7255 1444
Fax: +44 (0)20 7436 0165
Website: www.bfi.org.uk

Head: Amanda Nevill
Financing: public

Main strengths of archive: an archive of films made in various communist countries distributed by Stanley Forman. Among many GDR documentary films are some by the Thorndikes and by Heynowski and Scheumann.

Form of catalogue: online

Opening times: by arrangement

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**British Library – German Section**

96 Euston Road
London NW1 2DB

Tel.: +44 (0)20 7412 7572
Fax: +44 (0)20 7412 7578
Website: www.bl.uk

Head: Lynn Brindley
Contact: German Section
Email: German-enquiries@bl.uk

Financing: public

Holdings: Very significant collection of monographs and serials, and good collection of official and parliamentary publications. See following websites:

www.bl.uk/collections/westeuropean/germanstrengths.html#gdr
and www.bl.uk/collections/westeuropean/germandemocratic.html

Form of catalogue: on line

Borrowing facilities: no

Inter library loan facility: yes

Opening times: Tues–Thurs: 9:30–20:00, Mon: 10:00–20:00, Fri and Sat: 9:30–17:00
**British Library – Newspaper Library**

Colindale Avenue  
London NW9 5HE  
Tel.: +44 (0)20 7412 7353  
Fax: +44 (0)20 7412 7379  
Email: newspaper@bl.uk  
Website: www.bl.uk/collections/newspapers.html

Head: Lynn Brindley  
Contact: newspaper reading room  
Tel.: +44 (0)20 7412 7353

Financing: Publicly financed  
Holdings: national collection of newspapers and publications.  
Form of catalogue: on-line  
Borrowing facilities: no  
Inter library loan facility: limited  
Opening times: Mon–Sat: 10:00–17:00

**London University**  
**Institute of Germanic & Romance Studies**

Germanic Studies Library  
29 Russell Square  
London WC1B 5DP  
Website: http://igrs.sas.ac.uk/

Head: Professor Naomi Segal  
Contact: William Abbey (librarian)  
Email: william.abbey@sas.ac.uk  
Library email: igslib@sas.ac.uk  
Tel.: +44 (0)20 7862 8967  
Fax: +44 (0)20 7862 8970

Financing: public  
Holdings: Materials relating to German language, literature and other aspects of the German-speaking world. Significant amount of material on the ‘Wende’. Important collections of monographs and journals.  
Form of catalogue: online and microfiche  
Borrowing facilities: none  
Inter library loan facility: none  
Library opening hours: Mon–Fri: 9:45–18:00
The National Archives Kew

Richmond, Surrey
TW9 4DU
Tel.: +44 (0)208 876 3444
Website: www.nationalarchives.gov.uk

Head: Natalie Ceeney (Chief Executive)
Contact: Edward Hampshire (Modern Records Research Specialist)
Tel.: +44 (0)208 876 3444 (ext. 2324)
Email: edward.hampshire@nationalarchives.gov.uk

Holdings: Archives of the British Foreign Office and Foreign and Commonwealth Office, the Cabinet Office, the Prime Minister’s Office and the British Council. See separate entry under 1.3.

Form of catalogue: online
Borrowing facilities: none
Inter library loan facility: none
Opening times: Mon, Wed, Fri: 9:00–17:00 / Tues: 10:00–19:00 / Sat: 9:30–17:00

King’s College London
Glaessner Archive – Foyle Special Collections Library

King’s College London
Chancery Lane
London WC2A 1LR
Tel.: +44 (0)20 7848 1845
Fax: +44 (0)20 7848 1843
Website: www.kcl.ac.uk/specialcollections

Head: Katie Sambrook (Special Collections Librarian)
Contact: catherine.sambrook@kcl.ac.uk

Financing: public
Holdings: This collection consists of the former library of Gert-Joachim Glaessner, Professor of Political Science at the Free University Berlin, and at Humboldt University, Berlin, a leading authority on East German politics, and author or editor of numerous monographs on East German politics, the revolution of 1989 and the unification of Germany. The collection is rich in primary and secondary source materials on the German Democratic Republic, from its foundation until unification.
Opening hours: Mon–Fri: 9:30–17:00
King’s College London  
Liddell Hart Centre for Military Archives

Strand  
London WC2R 2LS  
Tel.: +44 (0)20 7848 2015  
Fax: +44 (0)20 7848 2760  
Email: Archives.web@kcl.ac.uk  
Website: www.kcl.ac.uk/iss/archives

Head: Patricia Methven (Director of Archives)  
Contact: Archives.web@kcl.ac.uk

Financing: public
Holdings: Private papers of senior defence personnel since 1900; microfilm records of other archives, covering among others, the Berlin Airlift; also a location database with information on papers of senior defence personnel. Archive of material for TV documentaries on Cold War, Fall of Wall etc.
Form of catalogue: online
Borrowing facilities: none
Inter library loan facility: none
Opening times: 9:00–19:00, shorter in vacation

Marx Memorial Library

Marx House  
37a Clerkenwell Green  
London EC1R 0DU  
Tel.: +44 (0)20 7253 1485  
Fax: +44 (0)20 7251 6039  
Email: marxlibrary@britishlibrary.net  
Website: www.marx-memorial-library.org

Contact: Tish Collins

Financing: private funding and donations
Holdings: Material relating to Marxism, the history of socialism and the working-class movement. Complete sets of Daily Worker/Morning Star.
Form of catalogue: online
Borrowing facilities: none
London School of Economics and Political Science
Archives and Rare Books Library

10 Portugal St.
London WC2A 2HD
Tel.: +44 (0)20 7955 7223
Fax: +44 (0)20 7955 7454
Email: Document@lse.ac.uk
Website: www.lse.ac.uk

Contact: Sue Donnelly (archivist)

Financing: public
Form of catalogue: online
Borrowing facilities: none
Inter library loan facility: none
Opening times: Mon–Thurs: 10:00–20:00, Fri: 10:00–17:00, Sat: 11:00–17:00 (not in university vacations)
Financing: public
Holdings: Materials and archives relating to modern British political, economic and social history
Form of catalogue: online
Borrowing facilities: yes
Inter library loan facility: yes
Opening times: Mon–Fri: 9:00–20:00, Sat–Sun: 11:00–18:00
(Different opening times during vacations)

Wiener Library Institute of Contemporary History

4 Devonshire Street
London W1W 5BH
Tel.: +44 (0)20 7636 7247
Fax: +44 (0)20 7436 6428
Email: info@wienerlibrary.co.uk
Website: www.wienerlibrary.co.uk

Head: Ben Barkow
Contact: Katherine Klinger
Email: info@wienerlibrary.co.uk

Financing: private
Holdings: Collections relating primarily to the Holocaust, Nazi Germany and events in Europe before, during and after the Second World War.
Form of catalogue: online
Borrowing facilities: Yes, see website
Opening times: Mon–Fri 10:00–17:30

Labour History Archive and Study Centre
People’s History Museum

Head Office 103 Princess St
Manchester M1 6DD
Tel.: +44 (0)161 228 7212
Fax: +44 (0)161 237 5965
Email: archive@phm.org.uk
Website: www.phm.org.uk
Archives and Libraries

Head: Jim Garretts
Contact: Jo Robson (Archivist)
Email: Jo.Robson@phm.org.uk

Holdings: archives of the Labour Party and the Communist Party of Great Britain; the archive of the Britain-GDR society is in the process of being added to the collection.
Form of catalogue: archives of the Labour party and the Communist Party of Great Britain can be searched online at www.a2a.pro.gov.uk
Borrowing facilities: none
Inter library loan facility: none
Opening times: Tues–Fri: 10:00–17:00

Nottingham University – University Library
Department of Manuscripts and Special Collections

King’s Meadow Campus
Lenton Lane
Nottingham NG7 2NB
Tel.: +44 (0)115 951 4565
Fax: +44 (0)115 846 8651
Email: Mss-library@nottingham.ac.uk
Website: www.nottingham.ac.uk/mss/

Head: Dorothy Johnston
Contact: Corinne Fawcett (Special Collections Librarian)
Email: corinne.fawcett@nottingham.ac.uk

Financing: public
b) The printed books from a branch of the Magdeburg Public Library, as representing a typical East German library in the last years of the GDR.
c) the Mayer archive of GDR material
Form of catalogue: printed
Opening times: Mon–Thurs: 9:00–18:00, Fri: 9:00–15:00
Oxford University
Taylor Institution Library

St Giles
Oxford OX1 3NA
Tel.: +44 (0)1865 278158
Fax: +44 (0)1865 278165
Email: enquiries@taylib.ox.ac.uk
Website: www.taylib.ox.ac.uk

Head: Ms Amanda Peters
Contact: Ms Helen Buchanan (Principal Library Assistant)
Email: helen.buchanan@taylib.ox.ac.uk

Financing: public
Holdings: Significant collection of printed material relating to the literature, history and society of German-speaking countries, including much material published in German. Collection of underground journals from GDR.
Form of catalogue: online
Borrowing facilities: limited
Inter library loan facility: yes
Opening times: Mon–Fri 9:00–19:00, Saturday 9:00–13:00, reduced hours in university vacations

Oxford University
Bodleian Library

Broad Street
Oxford OX1 3BG
Tel.: +44 (0)1865 277158
Fax: +44 (0)1865 277187
Email: enquiries@bodley.ox.ac.uk
Website: www.bodley.ox.ac.uk

Head: Dr Sarah Thomas
Contact: Department of Special Collections & Western Manuscripts
Email: western.manuscripts@bodley.ox.ac.uk

Financing: public
Holdings: Collection of all material printed in UK. Collections of papers of prominent British politicians and other public figures.
Form of catalogue: online
Borrowing facilities: none
Inter library loan facility: yes
Opening times, Monday–Friday 9:00–22:00, Saturday 9:00–13:00, reduced hours in university vacations.

Reading University
GDR Archive

Centre for East German Studies
Department of German Studies
University of Reading
Whiteknights
PO Box 218
Reading RG6 6AA
Tel.: +44 (0)118 378 8331
Fax: +44 (0)118 378 8333
Email: german@rdg.ac.uk (Departmental)

Website: www.rdg.ac.uk/german/research/archive.htm
Head: Dr Ute Wölfel (Curator)
Email: u.wolfel@rdg.ac.uk
Contact: Mrs Rosemary Furley (Cataloguing Assistant)
Email: rosfurley@btinternet.com

Financing: Internal university funding
Holdings: The GDR archive at Reading was founded in 1994. It aims to act as a repository for primary and secondary materials from a wide range of areas on East German topics, with particular emphasis on the history of the GDR, the unofficial peace movement, school textbooks, the Churches and DEFA. It holds at present over 6,000 journals, pamphlets, books, dossiers and films on GDR subjects. It has recently been extended by donations from the Bundesstiftung zur Aufarbeitung der SED-Diktatur and the University of the West of England (Horst Claus collection).
Catalogue: online and printed
Opening hours: By arrangement.
Warwick University
The Modern Records Centre

University Library
University of Warwick
Coventry CV4 7AL
Tel.: +44 (0)24 7652 4219
Fax: +44 (0)24 7652 4211
Email: archives@warwick.ac.uk
Website: modernrecords.warwick.ac.uk

Head: Archivist currently vacant

Financing: public
Regular Publications: Annual Report
Holdings: Archives of TUC, also Crossman Papers and Coventry Labour Party Archives.
Form of catalogue: largely online
Borrowing facilities: none
Inter library loan facility: none
Opening times: Mon–Tues 9:00–17:00, Wed–Thurs 9:00–19:00, Fri 9:00–16:00
2.2 Research Centres, Institutes and Departments

Aberystwyth University
Centre for Intelligence and Security Studies (CIISS)
Department of International Politics

Aberystwyth University
Aberystwyth
Ceredigion SY23 3FE

Tel.: +44 (0)1970 628563
Fax: +44 (0)1970 622709
Email: intelligence@aber.ac.uk
Website: http://users.aber.ac.uk/rbh/iss

Head: Professor Martin Alexander
Email: intelligence@aber.ac.uk; saa@aber.ac.uk

Other staff:
Professor Len Scott
Dr Paul Maddrell
Dr Peter Jackson
Dr James Vaughan
Dr Gerald Hughes

Financing: public
Areas of activity: Intelligence history, history of GDR and France, military history, diplomatic history and defence studies.

Bath University
Department of European Studies and Modern Languages

Claverton Down
Bath BA2 7AY

Website: www.bath.ac.uk

Head: Dennis Tate, (Professor of German Studies)
Email: mslsgdt@bath.ac.uk
Tel.: +44 (0)1225 383402

Other staff:
Dr Axel Goodbody
Dr David Clarke
Dr Karoline von Oppen
Dr Renate Rechtien
Financing: public
Areas of activity: Staff research on GDR-related topics included under Publications on each person’s homepage.

**Birmingham University**  
**Institute for German Studies**  

University of Birmingham  
Edgbaston  
Birmingham B15 2TT  
Tel.: +44 (0)121 414 7185  
Fax: +44 (0)121 414 7329  
Email: z.stevenson@bham.ac.uk  
Website: www.igs.bham.ac.uk  

Head: Professor William Paterson  
Contact: Mrs Zoë Stevenson (Institute Administrator)  
Email: z.stevenson@bham.ac.uk  

Financing: public  
Area of activities: Section of ERI (European Research Institute), with the mission ‘to provide a unique research-led social-science based perspective on Germany’.

**Brunel University**  
**Brunel Centre for Intelligence and Security Studies**  

Brunel University  
Uxbridge  
Middlesex UB8 3PH  
Tel.: +44 (0)1895 266830  
Fax: +44 (0)1895 232806  
Website: www.brunel.ac.uk/about/acad/sssl/ssslresearch/centres/bciss  

Head: Professor Anthony Glees  
Email: anthony.glees@brunel.ac.uk  
Contact: Miss Katie Bridge (Marketing Administrator)  
Tel.: +44 (0)1895 265278  
Other staff:  
Dr Philip Davies  

Financing: Private university  
Areas of activities: Research centre on intelligence and security questions, dealing also with GDR issues, especially the Ministry of State Security.
Cambridge University  
Centre of International Studies

17 Mill Lane  
Cambridge CB2 1RX

Contact: Lucia Faltin  
Email: Lf225@cam.ac.uk

Area of activities: A postgraduate research network designed to foster the work of postgraduate researchers across Europe with an interest in European integration history.

Cardiff University  
The Cardiff Centre for Modern German History

Cardiff School of History and Archaeology  
Cardiff University  
Cardiff CF10 3EU  
Wales, UK

Tel.: +44 (0)29 2087 4251  
Fax: +44 (0)29 2087 4929  
Website: www.cf.ac.uk/hisar/people/jo/ccmgh.html

Head: Professor Jonathan Osmond  
Email: Osmond@cardiff.ac.uk

Financing: public

Area of activities: CCMGH provides a focus for research promotion and collaboration. It is a collaborative venture between the School of History and Archaeology and the School of European Studies.

Holdings: Good collection of GDR materials

Opening times: By appointment

Durham University  
Department of Anthropology

43 Old Elvet  
Durham DH1 3HN

Tel.: +44 (0)191 3346100  
Fax: +44 (0)191 3346101  
Email: Anthropology@Durham.ac.uk  
Website: www.durham.ac.uk/anthropology
Head:  Professor Robert Barton
Contact: Professor Michael B Carrithers (ESRC Fellowship holder)
Email:  m.b.carrithers@durham.ac.uk

Other staff:
Dr. Ina Dietzsch
Mr. Gareth Hamilton

Financing: ESRC Professorial Fellowship
Area of activity: Research project on Rhetoric and Sociality, with special reference to publics in contemporary East Germany

**Durham University**
**German Politics Specialist Group (GPSG)**

Website:  http://personalpages.manchester.ac.uk/staff/Claire.Sutherland/GPSG/
Contact:  Dr Ruth Wittlinger (Convenor)
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Area of activities: GPSG provides a forum for discussion through an email network and an annual conference. It disseminates information about conferences, research projects, research grants etc. in the field via the website and a regular newsletter, and encourages interdisciplinary research.

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Financing: public
Area of activities: University department with strong interest in research into historical and literary GDR topics, including responses to 17 June 1953, autobiographical writings. German Stalinism, Soviet influence of GDR culture.

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Area of activities: Independent think tank that has contributed significantly to a broad range of defence and security debates from the Cold War to the present.

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Financing: public
Area of activities: Major department of German with significant interest in East German and related matters. Has been involved with other British and foreign universities in a British Council funded research project on ‘Normalisation and Beyond’.
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Financing: public
Area of activities: Interdisciplinary research centre dedicated to research into central and Eastern Europe. Recent conference on ‘everyday socialism’. Also a major participant in ESRC’s East-West Programme.

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Financing: public
Area of activities: A department with significant research interests in Cold War Studies
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Research funding can be made available to third parties by the institute:

Regular Publications:
Publications of German Historical Institute
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Area of activities: Research Institute and Library. The GHI London is an independent academic institution, promoting research in particular on the comparative history of Germany and Great Britain.

Holdings: A research library devoted to German history, with special emphasis on Germany between 1933 and 1945, the development of the two German states after 1945/1949 and German unification after 1989. Also larger editions of source material on the history of the GDR, incl. microfiche edition of files from the Bundesarchiv entitled ‘Party and State in the GDR’ and the multi-volume edition ‘DDR-Justiz und NS-Verbrechen’.

Form of catalogue: online
Borrowing facilities: none
Inter library loan facility: none
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Financing: Private, a limited company in UK law and a registered charity.
Area of activities: A leading authority on political-military conflict. It provides accurate information on international strategic issues for politicians etc.
Library holdings: a comprehensive collection of books, journals, pamphlets and online resources covering a broad range of current international relations, security and defence topics. The collection reflects the Institute’s forward-looking outlook and therefore contains very little historical material.
Form of catalogue: online
Borrowing facilities: for members
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Financing: public
Area of activities: Research cluster. The Centre is involved in a number of projects, including a recent interdisciplinary project on German unity.

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Financing: public
Area of activities: A centre for advanced study and research into the key political, social, intellectual, economic and military aspects of the Cold War, their historical origins, and their contemporary repercussions.

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Area of activities: The European Institute was created in 1991 to be a primary focus for the inter-disciplinary study of processes of integration and fragmentation within Europe.

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Form of Centre: Library and foreign policy think-tank
Main strengths of archive: international politics, economics and security
Regular Publications: Monthly The World Today and many other publications.
Holdings: Records of Chatham House, press-cuttings on many aspects of international affairs.
Form of catalogue: online
Borrowing facilities: for members.
Inter library loan facility: for members
Opening times: Mon–Fri: 10:00–17:30
Area of activities: a leading foreign policy think-tank. An independent membership-based organization that brings together people from government, politics, business, NGOs, the academic world and the media.

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Areas of activity: The Centre for European Studies unites UCL’s many fields of specialization in European subjects within taught and research Master’s programmes. The Centre for European Studies runs its own seminars and serves as a focus for lectures, papers, talks, and exhibitions organised by national institutions such as the British Library and the British Museum. The AHRC-sponsored research project, ‘The “Normalisation of Rule”? State and Society in the GDR, 1961–1979’, directed by Professor Mary Fulbrook, is based in CES and the German Department at UCL.

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Area of activities: A Centre for research on the processes of political transition and integration in Europe with particular emphasis on Central and Eastern Europe. It organises regular seminars, workshops and conferences.

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Financing: public
Areas of activity: The Centre focuses on the history and culture of Central Europe, including Germany and Austria.
Publications: The Centre publishes its own journal, Central Europe twice a year and an Occasional Papers series.

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Financing: public

Areas of activity: The Centre focuses on research on economic and social transition in Europe with particular emphasis on Central and Eastern Europe


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Regular Publications: Journal of Common Market Studies, UACES News, Contemporary European Studies

Areas of activity: UACES provides an independent forum for informed debate and a clearing house for information about European affairs. It is directly involved in promoting research and teaching in European Studies.
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Areas of activity: The Centre is dedicated to the interdisciplinary study of Europe. It has particular strengths in politics, history and international relations, but also brings together economists, sociologists, social anthropologists and students of culture. The Centre participates in several collaborative international research projects and organises seminars and workshops on a wide range of topics. The main library holdings include an extensive collection of books and periodicals relating to modern European history and politics.
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Areas of activity: CEGS organises specialist symposia on eastern Germany and supports research into various areas of East German culture and politics, both by the staff of the Centre and by PhD students. In this context CEGS is developing its role as a disseminator of information on the GDR and post-GDR for the UK. It is currently developing a programme of co-operation with the government-funded foundation, Bundesstiftung zur Aufarbeitung der SED-Diktatur in Berlin, which supports these areas of activity.  
Publications: CEGS occasional papers and individual publications

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Areas of activity: Research publications and conferences on: contract workers in the GDR (AHRC Project); role of the Stasi; social transformation since unification; sport in the GDR
2.3 Museums

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Financing: public
Holdings: Documents, archives and collections relating to all military conflict since the Boer War
Opening times: Mon–Sat 10:00–17:00

National Army Museum

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Financing: public
Holdings: Material relating to the history of the British Army including the period of the Cold War
Form of catalogue: printed
Opening times: 10:00–17:30 daily
Royal Air Force Museum
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Area of activity: Collections of material relating to the Cold War. Suitable also for younger people.
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History: The Association for Modern German Studies was founded in 1983 in collaboration with the Goethe-Institut to provide a forum for teachers, lecturers, researchers and others interested in the language, society and culture of German-speaking countries.

Area of activity: The association aims to organise at least one conference and one workshop a year on the whole range of contemporary German studies.

Publications: A yearly newsletter. Conference proceedings are published as special numbers of the online journal *German as a Foreign Language* at www.gfl-journal.de

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Publication: The conference papers are published yearly.

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History: The Society was founded in 1984 and aims to further contacts between those engaged in the study of German history; to facilitate international contacts and exchange of information of common interest to members; and to stimulate interest in the study of German history.

Areas of activity: The Society organises annual conferences and supports other conferences and workshops on German history. It also maintains a German History email network.

Publications: The Society publishes four numbers of the journal German History per year.
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Area of activity: Organisation of conferences and workshops on German politics.

Publications: Journal *German Politics* appears 3 or 4 times a year. Twice-yearly newsletter
3. APPENDIX

Information on
Bundesstiftung zur Aufarbeitung der SED-Diktatur
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The Bundesstiftung zur Aufarbeitung der SED-Diktatur contributes, in cooperation with other institutions, to a complete reappraisal of the causes, history and impact of dictatorship in the SBZ and GDR. It aims to testify to the injustice of the SED-regime and its victims, to further the anti-totalitarian consensus within our society as well as to strengthen democracy and German unity.

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