KEYNOTE ADDRESS | 9:30 | Room A
Irritating but Fascinating – Time to Make Europe Great Again?!
Dr. Elisabeth Schmitt, Director of Studies at the European Academy of Otzenhausen

As a member of the International European Studies Department at the European Academy of Otzenhausen (EAO), Dr. Elisabeth Schmitt is responsible for EU-related international study programs for students from all over the world, including “Discover the Heart of Europe,” in special cooperation with Kennesaw State. Dr. Schmitt held a lectureship at Saarland University from 2008 to 2015, and since 2015 she has also held a lectureship at Universidad Alfonso X El Sabio, Madrid. She studied political science, history, and economics at the University of Mainz, and worked as a research assistant at the University of Hohenheim, where she finished her PhD. Her research interests include European integration, the European Union and transatlantic relations.

Special Exhibit | 11.00 – 17.00 | Room B
Georgia Journeys: Legacies of World War II
Museum of History and Holocaust Education

Georgia Journeys traces the stories of veterans, home front workers, and Holocaust survivors who have a strong connection to Georgia. The stories are based on oral testimony given by participants in the Museum of History and Holocaust Education at Kennesaw State University’s Legacy Series oral history program. Visitors to this exhibit are invited to record their own oral histories of intercultural encounters. Select videos will be featured on the European Studies webpage and Facebook feed.
Room A

11.00  European Resumés & CVs: Cultural Differences When You Apply
   Krysta Fry, Department of Career Planning and Development
   Sabine Smith, Department of Foreign Languages

12.30  Intercultural Journeys: On the Road to Find Out
   Michael Sweazey & Nicole Ward
   Office of International Safety and Security

14.00  “Discover the Heart of Europe” Study Abroad Program
   Jaime Cruz-Ortiz & Allison Webb, Department of Foreign Languages
   Tom Doleys, School for Government & International Affairs
   Elisabeth Schmitt, European Academy of Otzenhausen

15.30  Breaking Out of the American Bubble:
       Cultural and Community-Based Engagement in Germany and Italy
       Todd Harper, Department of English
       Renata Creekmur, Andrea Scapolo & Sabine Smith, Department of Foreign Languages

Rooms CDE

11.00  A First-Year Education Abroad Experience During the First Semester of College:
       Strategies for faculty and administrators
       Lynda Lyons
       Department of First-Year and Transition Studies

12.30  Travel Incentives as the Impetus for Language Learning
       Jennifer L.M. Gerndt, Executive Director
       Brent Eickhoff, Educational Outreach Director
       Goethe Zentrum / German Cultural Center Atlanta

14.00  Migration & Its Causes: An Inclusive Discussion Forum
       Olaf Berwald, Cherif Diop, Neysa Figueroa, Alberto Lucchi, & Ernesto Silva
       Department of Foreign Languages

15.30  European Quiz Bowl
       Noah McLaughlin
       Department of Foreign Languages