

Hawaii – US State or Pacific Kingdom?

Place: University of Zurich, Rämistrasse 69, Saal SOC-1-106

Date: Mo, 11.11.2013

PROGRAM

18.00 Uhr Opening

18.30 Uhr **Welcome**

Max Schweizer, ret. Minister, Executive Director *SwissDiplomats – ZurichNetwork*

and

Maximilian Stern, Executive Director *foraus*

18.40 Uhr **Introduction, historical background**

Prof. Dr. Niklaus Schweizer, Professor at College of Languages, Linguistics and Literature at University of Hawai'i, Manoa, Honolulu

18.55 Uhr **The situation today – and the future**

“Hawai'i - An American State or a State under American Occupation?”

David Keanu Sai Ph.D. Ambassador-at-large Honolulu, Hawaii

19.40 Uhr **Panel Discussion: What are the options for the future?**

David Keansu Sai Ph.D., Ambassador-at-large Honolulu Hawaii

Dr. Christian Blickenstorfer, ret. Botschafter (USA)

Prof. Dr. Niklaus Schweizer, Professor at College of Languages, Linguistics and Literature at University of Hawai'i, Manoa, Honolulu

Moderation: Max Schweizer, ret. Minister, Executive Director *SwissDiplomats – ZurichNetwork*

20.30 Uhr **Apéro**



Speaker and Panelist: Dr. David Keanu SAI

EXPERTISE:

International relations, state sovereignty, international laws of occupation, United States constitutional law, Hawaiian constitutional law, and Hawaiian land titles.

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS:

- Dec. 2008: Ph.D. in Political Science specializing in international law, state sovereignty, international laws of occupation, United States constitutional law, and Hawaiian constitutional law, University of Hawai‘i, Manoa, H.I.
- Doctoral dissertation titled, “American Occupation of the Hawaiian Kingdom: Beginning the Transition from Occupied to Restored State.”
- May 2004: M.A. in Political Science specializing in International Relations, University of Hawai‘i, Manoa, H.I.
- May 1987: B.A. in Sociology, University of Hawai‘i, Manoa, H.I.
- May 1984: A.A. in Pre-Business, New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, N.M., U.S.
- May 1982: Diploma, Kamehameha Schools, Honolulu, H.I.

PUBLICATIONS:

- Brief, “The Continuity of the Hawaiian State and the Legitimacy of the *acting* Government of the Hawaiian Kingdom,” August 4, 2013.
- Book, "Ua Mau Ke Ea-Sovereignty Endures: An Overview of the Political and Legal History of the Hawaiian Islands." (Pu‘a Foundation, Honolulu, 2011).
- Article, "1893 Cleveland-Lili‘uokalani Executive Agreements." November 28, 2009, unpublished.
- Article, "Establishing an Acting Regency: A Countermeasure Necessitated to Preserve the Hawaiian State." November 28, 2009, unpublished.
- Book, “Land Titles in the Hawaiian Islands: From Origins to the Present (forthcoming).” Contract signed with University of Hawai‘i Press, May 7, 2009.
- Doctoral Dissertation, “American Occupation of the Hawaiian Kingdom: Beginning the Transition from Occupied to Restored State,” University of Hawai‘i at Manoa, Political Science, December 2008.
- Article, “A Slippery Path towards Hawaiian Indigeneity: An Analysis and Comparison between Hawaiian State Sovereignty and Hawaiian Indigeneity and its Use and Practice in Hawai‘i Today,” *Journal of Law and Social Challenges* (San Francisco School of Law), Vol. 10 (Fall 2008).
- Book Review for “Kahana: How the Land was Lost,” *The Contemporary Pacific: A Journal of Island Affairs*, Vol. 15, No. 1 (2005).
- “American Occupation of the Hawaiian State: A Century Unchecked,” *Hawaiian Journal of Law and Politics*, vol. 1 (Summer 2004).
- Article, "Hawaiian Neutrality and the Iraqi Conflict," May 9, 2003 (unpublished).

“Unpublished Short Essays”

- “The Hawaiian Kingdom: A Constitutional Monarchy”
- “The Relationship between the Hawaiian Kingdom and the United States”
- “Revisiting the Fake Revolution of January 17, 1893”

- “What does TWA Flight 800 and the Hawaiian Kingdom have in Common”
- “American Migration to the Hawaiian Kingdom and the Push for State into the American Union”
- “Hawaiian Nationality: Who Comprises the Hawaiian Citizenry?”
- “The Vision of the *acting* Council of Regency”

MILITARY SERVICE:

Aug. 1994: Honourably Discharged
 Dec. 1990: Diploma, *U.S. Army Field Artillery Officer Advanced Course*, Fort Sill, OK
 May 1990: Promoted to Captain (O-3)
 Apr. 1990: Diploma, *U.S. Air Force Air Ground Operations School*, Hurlbert Field, FL
 May 1987: Promoted to 1st Lieutenant (O-2)
 Sep. 1987: Diploma, *U.S. Army Field Artillery Officer Basic Course*, Fort Sill, OK
 Sep. 1984: Assigned to *1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery*, Hawai'i Army National Guard, Honolulu, H.I.
 May 1984: Army Reserve Commission, 2nd Lieutenant (O-1), Early Commissioning Program (ECP) from the New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, NM

GOVERNMENT SERVICE:

March 1996: Appointed Regent, *pro tempore*, by the Trustees of the Hawaiian Kingdom Trust Company
 Sep. 1999: Named *acting* Minister of the Interior and Chairman of the *acting* Council of Regency by resolution of the Privy Council
 Nov. 1999: Agent for the *acting* Government in arbitral proceedings before the Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague, Netherlands (Larsen v. Hawaiian Kingdom)
 July 2001: Agent for the *acting* Government in order to file a Complaint against the United States of America with the United Nations Security Council on July 5, 2001
 Aug. 2012: Commissioned Ambassador-at-large for the Hawaiian Kingdom by the *acting* Minister of Foreign Affairs
 Aug. 2012: Agent for the *acting* Government in order to file a Protest and Demand with the United Nations General Assembly, August 10, 2012
 June 2013: Agent for the *acting* Government in order to file a State Referral with the International Criminal Court, June 11, 2013
 Sept. 2013: Agent for the *acting* Government in order to file an Application Instituting Proceedings before the International Court of Justice, September 27, 2013

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Panelists

Professor Niklaus SCHWEIZER

Niklaus Schweizer studied four years at the University of Zurich and then earned his PhD. at the University of California in Davis. Now he is professor at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. Before, Professor Schweizer served 37 years as of Honorary Consul of Switzerland in Honolulu and still is the official Historian of the Consular Corps of Hawai'i. Furthermore, he has been honored with the 2011 Robert W. Clopton Award for Distinguished Community Service. Professor Schweizer has been teaching and researching for more than 40 years in the field of German language and literature. Eight of his published books focus on the interaction of Europeans in the Pacific with the Hawaiian people, and a future publication will focus on individual Caucasians in support of the Hawaiian monarch at the end of the 19th century.

Dr. Christian BLICKENSTORFER, Ambassador ret.

Former Swiss Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, USA and Germany, Switzerland

Ambassador Blickenstorfer earned his Ph.D. in modern history and international law at the University of Zurich in 1972. He joined the Swiss Foreign Service in 1974. His assignments included Cairo, Bangkok, Teheran and Washington D.C. From 1993 to 1997, he served as Ambassador of Switzerland to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, the Sultanate of Oman and the Republic of Yemen. From 1997 to 2000, he was Head of the Political Division II in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, responsible for relations with Africa, the Middle East, Asia, Oceania and Latin America. In 2000, he was appointed Political Director in the Federal Department for Foreign Affairs. From 2001 to 2006 he served as Ambassador to the United States of America and until his retirement in 2010 as Ambassador to Germany.

Dr. Max SCHWEIZER, Minister ret.

Max Schweizer, born in 1950, served as a diplomat for the EDA (Federal Department of Foreign Affairs) from 1980 until 2012. He was working in the Baltic States, Finland, Saudi Arabia, Spain, South Africa and Turkey. Furthermore, he was serving in the headquarters in Berne twice; once, for the EDA and once, for the BAWI (today seco: State Secretariat for Economic Affairs). From 2007 until 2011, he acted as Deputy Head at the Swiss Economic Mission for the WTO and EFTA etc. in Geneva with the diplomatic title of Minister. – Since June 2012 he is Senior Lecturer at the Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZHAW) – School of Management and Law. He leads the newly established Competence Center “Foreign Affairs & Applied Diplomacy”. His most recent publications are “Diplomatenleben: Akteure, Schauplätze, Zwischenrufe” (2013) and „Zwischen Ankara und Lausanne. Die Türkei unterwegs nach Europa“ (2004); both published by Chronos, Zurich.