**Monday Special Lecture Series**

**Classroom Building (GEIWI), HS 4**

**1:30 – 3:00 pm**

July 9

Dean Rojek **“Dachau: *Arbeit macht frei.* A Concentration Camp and the Holocaust”**

Dean Rojek received his doctoral degree from the University of Wisconsin in a joint program in law and sociology. He teaches courses in juvenile delinquency, sociology of law, social problems, environmental sociology and 20th century genocide. For the past twelve summers he has taught in the UNO-Innsbruck International Summer School. He serves as the guide for field trips to Dachau and to Hitler’s Eagles Nest (Berchtesgaden). His research interests include adolescent drug involvement, juvenile justice, Chinese law, and genocidal behavior.

July 16

Anton Pelinka **“The U.S. Elections 2012: Transatlantic Perspectives. A Panel Discussion”**

& Robert Dupont

Anton Pelinka is Professor of Nationalism Studies and Political Science at Central European University in Budapest, Hungary. He also serves as the Director of the Institute for Conflict Research in Vienna, Austria. Until 2006 he was Professor of Political Science at the University of Innsbruck and also taught internationally at Université Libre des Bruxelles, University of Michigan, Stanford University, Harvard University, University of New Orleans, and Nehru University New Delhi. His research interests are Democratic Theory, Comparative Politics and Austrian Politics.

Robert Dupont is Associate Professor of History at the University of New Orleans. In that capacity he teaches Urban History, 20th Century American History, and Post-WWII European History. His research interests include the History of New Orleans, Public Works, and the Relationship between Film and Teaching American History. He is the author of "On Higher Ground-UNO at 50. A history of UNO.” He is currently working on a long-term project to create an encyclopedia of New Orleans.

July 23

Simon Lochmann **“The Brenner Base Tunnel: A Political, Technological and Environmental  
 Assessment of a European Endeavor”**

Simon Lochmann is head of the communication department of the Brenner Base Tunnel Company in Innsbruck, Austria. He received his M.A. in Political Science from the University of Innsbruck and is pursuing a degree in Political Communication at the Donauuniversität Krems. The Brenner Base Tunnel, currently still under construction, is as in integral part of the railway line connecting Munich and Verona through the Alps. At 64 km (40 miles), it is the longest underground railway connection in the world, a pioneering work of engineering. It will markedly improve passenger travel and freight transport through the heart of Europe. The Company uses a dual management system, and is managed by two CEOs, one located in Austria and one in Italy.

July 30

Katja Bratrschovsky **“Climate Change Policy and Law in the U.S. and in Europe”**

Katja Bratrschovsky graduated from the Harvard Law School’s LLM program (2012) and the Harvard Kennedy School’s MC-MPA program (2011) as a Fulbright Scholar. She was actively involved with the Harvard Environmental Law Review and the Environmental Society as well as with the International Human Rights Clinic. Besides studying, she worked as a Harvard Water Research Fellow for the Water Security Initiative. Ms. Bratrschschovsky earned her primary law degree in her hometown, at the University of Vienna. She served as a research and teaching assistant at the Public Law Institute of the University of Vienna and legal and as policy advisor at the Austrian Ministry of Environment and the Federal Chancellery, as well as the European Commission in Brussels. Environmental, natural resource, energy, and water issues have been the central areas of focus of her professional career. She is currently working for the Center of International Environmental Law on a project on Water Management in the Jordan River Basin in cooperation with Tel Aviv University.