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## IMIS: International Research Centre

International academics are guests at the Institute for Migratory Research

(pio) The Institute for Migratory Research and Intercultural Studies (IMIS) has developed into an "international meeting place for interdisciplinary research" since its foundation in 1991. This conclusion was made by its founder and director of many years, Professor Dr.

Klaus J. Bade. The Institute has played host to academics, usually historians and political scientists, from Australia, China, Great Britain, Italy, Norway, Poland, and the USA. Until April, Belgian social historian, Dr. Frank Caestecker (Ghent), and Japanese philo-

sopher and historian, Professor Kiyoko Sakamota (State University of Yokohama), were guests at IMIS.

Professor Sakamota had been working in Osnabrück since March 1997 with a scholarship from the Japanese Ministry of Culture and Education. She was investigating the migration of East European emigrants to the Federal Republic of Germany and their integration. She will compare their situation with that of Japanese citizens who have lived in Brazil since the turn of the century and who are now returning to Japan.

The second international guest at the institute, who was funded by a scholarship from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, had been undertaking research in Osnabrück since September 1996. Dr. Caestecker earned his doctorate at the European University Institute in Florence (Italy). Professor Bade was a member of his international examination board. At IMIS he completed a study which arose from his doctoral thesis regarding the history of the employment of foreigners in Belgium in the 19th and 20th centuries, and which is to be published by an American publisher. Dr. Caestecker is at present preparing research on the history of the deportation of foreigners from Europe.



The board of IMIS: Professor Dr. Klaus J. Bade (from left), Professor Dr. Leonie Herwartz-Emden and chairmann Professor Dr. Hans-Joachim Wenzel.

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