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**CGG LECTURE SERIES – Winter Semester 2016/17**  
**Paradigmatic Challenges of Governance**

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**The History of the Concept Welfare State**

"Welfare state" was coined in the mid-19th Century and in the 20th Century it has become a key concept in the political language in most Western countries and even beyond that. However, it is also clear that the term has different meanings and connotations in different contexts. Presenting an ongoing comparative research project this lecture will entangle the different meanings and trace changes over time.

**Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016, 6 p.m.**  
**Von-Melle-Park 5, lecture hall B1**



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