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Preface

This project began in September 1997 as a session of the twenty-first annual conference of the German Studies Association in Washington, D.C. Organized by Christhard Hoffmann, then DAAD Visiting Professor at the History Department of the University of California, Berkeley, the session brought together German and American scholars specializing in the history of antisemitic violence in modern Germany. Since then, the essays have been significantly revised, and new contributions have been added. The result is the first comprehensive work on antisemitic violence in modern Germany.

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