

**UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND**

**DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY**

SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION PAPER, MAY 2013

TITLE OF PAPER: EUROPE SINCE 1870

COURSE CODE: H214

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY  
EQUAL MARKS

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1. Analyze the relationship between the Church and the German Empire from 1871-1890 and describe Bismarck's motivation in the *Kulturkampf*.

2. (a) Examine the circumstances leading to the establishment of the League of Nations.

(b) How was the League organized?

(c) Evaluate the successes of the League in the 1920s.

3. (a) What do you understand by Fascism?

(b) Explain how Mussolini established a fascist state in Italy and how he eventually fell from power?

4. (a) How did Stalin do away with the triumvirate to emerge as the incontestable leader of the USSR after the death of Lenin?

(b) Explain how Stalin transformed the USSR into a totalitarian state?

5. Critically survey the circumstances leading to the birth of the European Union (EU).

OR

Why did Britain fail to become a member of the EEC at its inception?