

**UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY**

**SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION PAPER, APRIL/MAY
2014**

**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.**

**DO NOT OPEN PAPER UNTIL THE INVIGILATOR HAS
GRANTED PERMISSION**

1. Critically examine the racial/ethnic and minority policies of Nazi Germany and their consequences.

2 (a) Critically evaluate the factors leading to the birth of Fascism in Italy.

(b) How did Mussolini establish a fascist state in Italy and under what circumstances did it collapse?

3. Examine the circumstances leading to the birth and collapse of the Weimar Republic.

4. (a) Why and how was there a power struggle in Russia after the death of Lenin?

(b) How did Stalin tackle the economic problems facing the USSR?

5. (a) What do you understand by the term Cold War?

(b) How did Mikhail Sergeyevich Gorbachev's policies of Glasnost and Perestroika lead to the end of the Cold War?