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Abstract: Leo Santifaller between politics and scholarship in the post-war era based on his correspondence with the minister of education, Heinrich Drimmel

This paper contributes to research on the relations of politics and scholarship in the post-war era. Based on their correspondence, the relations between Leo Santifaller, director of the Institute of Austrian Historical Research, and Heinrich Drimmel, minister of education, are presented, also drawing parallels to research on patronage patterns. Santifaller, an adherent of "Greater Germany" whose conduct under National Socialism was questionable at best, is shown as skilfully establishing his contacts with this leading politician in the Österreichische Volkspartei. On the other hand, Drimmel tried to recruit Santifaller as a voter and supporter for the ÖVP. In return, Santifaller presented himself as a „good Austrian“ according to Drimmel's views. The end of Santifaller's influence in the IÖG was closely connected to the beginnings of the last phase of Drimmel's service as minister of education.

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