

“Frontiers in Global History: Connections and Disconnections”

(8.-10. November 2023)

Universität Bern

Organisatoren: Moritz von Brescius and Christof Dejung (Bern), Steffi Marung and Antje Dietze (Leipzig)

November 8, 2023:

16:15-17:45

Opening Keynote Lecture

Matthias Middell (Leipzig): (Vortrag im Rahmen des FoKo „Geschichte nach 1800“, Titel *tbc*)

Dinner at Casa d’Italia (directly after the *Kolloquium*)

November 9, 2023:

9:00-9:15

Welcome and Introductory Remarks: Christof Dejung & Moritz von Brescius (Bern)

9:15-10:45 Panel: Migration and Mobilities

Megan Maruschke (Leipzig): “Philadelphia as a City of Refuge, Relief, and Re-expulsion during the Age of Revolutions (circa 1780s-1810)”

Agnes Gehbald (Bern): “A Two-Way Movement across the Atlantic: The Production of Migrant Statistics in the Americas, 1857–1907”

10:45-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-12:30 Panel: Networks and (Im)-Mobilities

Rea Vogt (Bern): Die Diaspora-Handelsnetzwerke (Libanon-Syrien-Argentinien) als Ausdruck einer globalen Mittelklasse im «kolonialen» Kontext (französisches Völkerbund-Mandat und danach die Dekolonialisierung)

Steffi Marung (Leipzig): "Socialist (im)mobilities: Contingencies, Moorings and the Challenges of the "Friendship Script"

12:30-14:00 Lunch Break

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14:00-15:30 Panel: Commodity and Energy Histories

Moritz von Brescius (Bern): "Assam Rubber Cultivation and Postcolonial State Development in India"

Daniela Russ (Leipzig): "Toward a Rural Universal? The Rise and Fall of UNEP's Rural Energy Centers (1975-1985)"

15:30-15:45 Coffee Break

15:45-17:15 Africa, Empire and the Environment

David Rentsch (Bern): Yangambi and the Global Rubber Frontier: Science, Cash-Crops and Social Change in the Belgian Congo, 1910-1960

Geert Castryck (Leipzig): "De-imperializing colonialism: a transimperial and intercolonial perspective on East and Central Africa in the 1920s"

Dinner at *Haus der Universität* (Schlösslistrasse 5, 3008 Bern)

Friday, November 10, 2023

9:00-10:30 Panel: Postcolonial Entanglements

Jan-Niklas Kniewel (Bern): "Okapi Diplomacy: International Conservation NGOs, Autocracy, and the Negotiation of the Conservation Frontier in the DR Congo, c. 1960-1991"

Katja Castryck-Naumann (Leipzig): „Shipping was very much an instrument of empire“: Władysław R. Malinowski, UNCTAD and socialist shipping policy in the decolonization of international shipping (1946-1975)"

10:30-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-11:30 Panel: The Role of International Organizations

Antje Dietze (Leipzig): “Globalizing the Cultural and Media Industries: The Role of International Organizations in the Twentieth Century”

11:30-12:30 Concluding Session

Commentary by Christof Dejung (Bern)

12:30 *End of Program*

Fingerfood Lunch (optional)