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Workshop

Those Who Stay: how out-migration affects West African societies
12-13 April 2018*

Organisers: Jacqueline Knörr and Agathe Menetrier

Programme

Wednesday, April 11th: Arrival

19:00 *Informal get-together of the workshop participants at "Café Nexus" Kohlschütter Straße 9*

Thursday, April 12th

09:00 *Registration*

09:30 **Jacqueline Knörr, Agathe Menetrier**
Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale, Germany

Welcome Address & Introduction

Section 1: 10:00-11:00 **Images and Narratives of Migration**

Chair: William P. Murphy, Northwestern University, Evanston, U.S.A.

Magdalena Brzezińska
University of Warsaw, Poland

In the Shadow of the European Fortress: the impact of out-migration on Africans in the Gambia and Guinea-Bissau

Luisa Enria
University of Bath, UK

Temple Run: dreams of migration and the political imagination amongst Freetown youth

*Venue: MAIN SEMINAR ROOM at the Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Advokatenweg 36, 06114 Halle/Saale, Germany, +49-(0)3 45 – 29 27 0

Agathe Menetrier
Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale, Germany

Living in Transit: young homosexual asylum seekers in Dakar hoping for resettlement to the north

Maarten Bedert
Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale, Germany

How Imagining 'Abroad' Influences Belonging 'at Home': discourse on migration, suffering and civilization in contemporary Liberia

11:00 *Coffee break*

11:30 Discussion

Section 2: 12:00-13:00 **Transnational Families**

Chair: Anaïs Ménard, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale, Germany

Ernestina K. Dankyi
University of Ghana, Accra

Those Who Stay: voices of parents, spouses, and caregivers of migrants' children

Friederike Mieth
Independent scholar and consultant, Berlin, Germany

The Long-Term Impact of (Out-)Migration: a family history

Benjamin Lawrance
University of Arizona, Tucson, U.S.A.

The Dearly Departed: how "particular social group" refugees account for the family they left behind

Christoph Kohl
Georg Eckert Institute for International Text-Book Research, Braunschweig, Germany

Imaginations and Experiences of Searching a Life Abroad: out-migration through Bissau-Guinean eyes

13:00 *Lunch break*

14:00 Discussion

Section 3: Transnational Identities and Interactions
14:30-15:15

Chair: Sylvanus Spencer, Fourah Bay College, University of Sierra Leone, Freetown

Susan Shepler
American University, Washington DC, U.S.A.
Sierra Leonean Circuits: space, reciprocity, and identity

Justice Richard Kwabena Owusu Kyei
Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, Ghana
Transnational Political Practices Contributing to Democratic Governance in Ghana

Dorothy Takyiakwaa
University of Cape Coast, Ghana
'Home is Home': internal migrants' associations and development at origin communities

15:15 *Coffee break*

15:45 Discussion

16:15 Organisational issues

Section meetings (further information to follow at conference)
16:30

19:00 *Dinner at the restaurant "Alchimistenklause"*
Reilstraße 47, 06114 Halle/ Saale

20:00-21:00 Wrap-up day 1

Friday, April 13th

Section 4: Engendering and Categorizing (Im)Mobility
10:00-11:00

Chair: David O'Kane, University of Durham, UK

Marion Fresia
University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland

Those Who Stay in 'Camps': how the entanglement between mobility and refugee aid affects dynamics of immobility and autochthony in West Africa

Paolo Gaibazzi
Leibnitz-Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin, Germany

Immobility and Sedentariness in Mobile West Africa

Andrea Behrends
Free University Berlin, Germany

Modalities of 'Staying'

Andréa de Souza Lobo
University of Brasília, Brazil

Lives at Wait? Family relations between emigrants and those who stay, Cape Verde

11:00 Discussion

11:30 *Coffee break*

Section 5: Out-Migration Through the Lens of the City
12:00-13:00

Chair: Agathe Menetrier, Max-Planck-Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale, Germany

Tony Yeboah
University of Cape Coast, Ghana

Transporting an Alien Culture: out-migration, remittances and the architectural landscape of Kumase in the 20th century

Wilson Trajano Filho
University of Brasília, Brazil

Migration as a Trigger of Cosmopolitanism: everyday life in a small Cape Verdean city

Papa Sow
Institut Fondamental d'Afrique Noire (IFAN), Dakar, Senegal

'Magic' Creams -Botchô-Bobaraba-Bazooka-, Body Transformations and Economics of Aesthetics in Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire)

Jonas Klee
Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale, Germany

Talking About Good Migrants and Bad Migrants: perceptions of out-migration in Ziguinchor

13:00 *Lunch break*

14:00 Discussion

14:30-16:00 Wrap-up and concluding discussion
William P. Murphy, Northwestern University, Evanston, U.S.A.
David O'Kane, University of Durham, UK
Sylvanus Spencer, Fourah Bay College, University of Sierra Leone, Freetown

16:00 *Coffee break*

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16:30

19:00 *Dinner at the restaurant "Mextreme"*
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20:00 – 21:00 Further procedures and publications