



Max-Planck-Institut für ethnologische Forschung Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology

Colonialism and Transgenerational Memory in Europe

Workshop

21 & 22 September 2022

Organiser: Markus Wurzer (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale)

Programme

Wednesday, 21 September 2022

15.00 – 15.30 CET *Introduction by Markus Wurzer (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale)*

15.30 – 17.00 CET *Panel 1: Addressing One's Own Family History*
Chair: Simone Brioni (Stony Brook University, New York)

Veneta Roberts (University of Brighton): Where do I belong?

Dag Henrichsen (University of Basel): „A Glance at Our Africa“. Archives and memorialization in a multi-generational and transnational (post-)colonial Namibian family

Katy Beinart (University of Brighton): Between a rock and a hard place: the colonial and anticolonial networks of a Jewish diasporic family

17.00 – 17.30 CET *Break*

17.30 – 19.00 CET *Panel 2: Generational In/Difference?*
Chair: Annika Lems (MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale)

Louise Ballière and Wouter Reggers (Université Catholique de Louvain): Belgians in the Congo: The collective and individual memories of families involved in Belgian colonization

Rebecca Orr (European University Institute, Florence): The student left, the quasi-parental authority of the university and memories of colonialism in 1960s Britain

Giuseppe Grimaldi (University of Trieste): “Return at the mirror”: Italians of Ethiopian origins confronting with postcolonial spaces in Ethiopia

Venue:

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Thursday, 22 September 2022

09.00 – 10.00 CET *Panel 3: Re/Appropriation of Colonial Narratives*

Chair: Jacqueline Knörr (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale)

Vanina Profizi (Institut d'Histoire du Temps Présent, Paris): Empire inherited: patrimonializing empire through narratives of colonial service as a family tradition in 20th century Corsica

Dennis Yazici (University of Kiel): White Settler Farmer Dynasties and Memories on farm history in Namibia

10.00 – 10.30 CET *Break*

10.30 – 11.30 CET *Panel 4: Family Memory and Restitution*

Chair: Markus Wurzer (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale)

Gracia Lwanzo Kasongo (Université Catholique de Louvain): The objects of an intertwined history: how does restitution decolonize narratives?

Ariane Karbe (Independent) and Hannes Obermair (Eurac Research, Bozen/Bolzano): THE ETHIOPIAN CLOAK – An exhibition, a podcast and many questions

11.30 – 12.00 CET *Break*

12.00 – 13.00 CET *Panel 5: Postcolonial Literature*

Chair: Markus Wurzer (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale)

Noreen Kane (University of Cork): The Female Body as Site of Intergenerational Memory in Representations of Italian Colonialism and its Legacy: Maaza Mengiste's *Beneath the Lion's Gaze* and *The Shadow King*; and Ubah Cristina Ali Farah's *Little Mother*

Nishant K. Narayanan (English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad): Communicating through memory: Familial reconciliation through colonialism

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