

Uncertain Boundaries – Conference Program

Thursday, December 12, 2024

1pm Arrival and Registration

2pm Opening and Introduction

Jessica Gienow-Hecht (*Freie Universität Berlin*)

Nadja Klopprogge (*Universität Tübingen*)

Maximilian Klose (*Universität Freiburg*)

2:30-4:30pm Session 1, Panel 1-3

1. Borders in Cultural Diplomacy

Noam Bizan (Cambridge University)

Negotiating Cold War Identity: American Depictions of US-Soviet Ballet Exchanges

Nela Erdeljac (University of Zagreb)

"[T]o All Four Corners of the Globe:" Yugoslavia's Cultural Diplomacy

Camelia Lenart (SUNY Albany)

Modern Women, Modern Dance and the Re-bordering of the Cold War Diplomacy in 1957 Berlin

Chair: *Nicholas Cull (University of Southern California)*

2. Uncertain Boundaries in Science

Mimi Cheng (Newberry Library, Chicago)

Imperial Science and the Boundaries of Representation along the Chinese Coast

Shaul Mitelpunkt (University of York)

Troubled Boundaries of the Soldier-Scholar: The Roots of the Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society

Chechesh Kudachinova (Universität Bonn)

"No More a Nowhere": Mapping the Zone of Knowledge and Encounters at the Last Inner Asian Frontier

Chair: *Sönke Kunkel (Freie Universität Berlin)*

3. Space, Identity, Belonging

Lina Mair (Universität Tübingen)

The Dark Side of Belonging: Violence and Place-Making on the New Hampshire Grants

Doron Avraham (Bar Ilan University)

Destabilizing Spatial and Identity Boundaries in the Colonial Age: German Jews' and the Colonial 'Other'

Darold Cuba (Cambridge University)

US Post Emancipation Marronage (USPEM): The Political Thought and Intellectual History of Post Emancipation Freedom Colony Founding Families

Chair: *Adam Hjorthén (Uppsala University)*

4:30-5pm Coffee Break

5-7pm Session 2, Panels 4-6

4. Suprastate Border (Un)making

William McAllister (Georgetown University)

The Permeable Boundaries of Coalition Belligerency: Differences in War Status Between the United States and the Four Central Powers

Stephan Rindlisbacher (Europauniversität Viadrina)

Separating Communities: The Local Impact of National Bordering in the Early Soviet Union

Marlene Ritter (Freie Universität Berlin)

Symbolic Borders and Tangible Boundaries: Branding Europe in the Post-War Era

Chair: *TBA*

5. Borders in Nature, Culture, Spirituality

Judith Hendriksma (University of Oslo)

Between the Lines and Between the Spaces: The Greek Religious Conception of Boundaries and the Goddess Hecate

Ashley Reed (Virginia Tech)

The Spirit and the Settler: Religious, Racial, and Territorial Boundary-Crossing in the Mountain Cove Community and Its Afterlives

Isabel Richter (German Historical Institute Berkeley)

Indigeneity and the Politics of Belonging in 1960s Countercultures

Chair: *Sebastian Jobs (Freie Universität Berlin)*

6. Living the Border

Weiyu Dang (New York University)

Developing the Paradigmatic Settler: Frontier Solidarities and the Uncertain Boundaries of US-China Relations in the 1940s

Aristide Chryssoulis (Cambridge University)

Navigating a Sea of Frontiers: The Principality of Samos (1834-1912) as a Frontier Society

Nikol Dziub (Universität Basel)

"It's Time to Recognise that 'Brotherly Peoples' are Simply Neighbours": Lesya Ukrainka and the Differentiation of Borders

Chair: *Friederike Kuntz (Freie Universität Berlin)*

7-8pm Dinner (Buffet)

8-9:30pm Keynote, *Matt Qvorup (Coventry University)*

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9-11am Session 3, Panel 7-9

7. (Un)Palatable Boundaries

Sasha Gora (Universität Augsburg)

A Line on the Tongue: Culinary Encounters and Cultural Boundaries in the North American Arctic

Anne van Mourik (NIOD Institute for War, Holocaust, and Genocide Studies)

The Role of Hunger in Drawing Boundaries and Borders in Nazi Germany

David Ellwood (Jonhs Hopkins University, SAIS Europe)

Twenty Years of UNESCO's Convention on the Intangible Cultural Heritage and the Multinational Politics of Food

Chair: *Nina Mackert (Universität Leipzig)*

8. Borders and Cultural Heritage

Julian Schellong (Technische Universität Darmstadt)

Boundaries of Universalism: The UNESCO Campaign for Salvaging Abu Simbel and the Construction of World Heritage, 1959-1968

Anna Valeska Strugalla (Bayerische Staatsgemäldesammlung)

Periods of Transition as Windows of Opportunity? Negotiating and Reframing Postcolonial Restitutions in National and International Forums (1973-1989)

Chair: *Marcel Will (DHBW Villingen-Schwenningen)*

9. Gender, Bodies, Boundaries

Friederike Beier (Freie Universität Berlin)

Gendered Boundary-Making by Numbers in the History of International Organisations

Tobias Klee (Freie Universität Berlin)

Against Degeneration, Perversion, and Flamenquismo. Catalan nationalism and Spaniards in Catalonia 1898-1936

Katharina Seibert (Universität Tübingen)

Border Body, Boder Crossing, Border Protection?

Chair: *Gülay Çağlar (Freie Universität Berlin)*

11-11:30am Coffee Break

11:30am-1:30pm Session 4, Panel 10-12

10. Defining the Boundaries of Europe

Adam Dargiewicz (Universität Münster)

Imagining "Bulwark(s) of Europe": Instrumentalization of Spatial Metaphors in the Nineteenth-Century International Relations (1815-1900)

Ruth Ennis (Universität Leipzig)

The Emperor's Sister: Orientalist Cultural Representations of the female "White Slave" and the European making of Uncertain Boundaries

Chair: *Anna Karla (Freie Universität Berlin)*

11. Bridging Genre Boundaries

Sophie Brady (Princeton University)

From Neuilly to Douala: Collaboration and Experimentation Between Africa and Europe at Radio-France's Studio-École (1955-1969)

Anna Wiczorkiewicz (University of Warsaw)

From Space to Time and Back Again: Border as a Symbol in contemporary Polish Travel Writing

Jonathan Rosenberg (Hunter College and the Graduate Center of the City University of New York)

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Chair: *Fabian Hilfrich (University of Edinburgh)*

12. Bonds and Borders

Samantha Lanevi (Cambridge University)

Crossing Lines: United States War Brides in the Twentieth Century

Manuel Schmidgall (Cambridge University)

Crossing Racial Boundaries: German-Haitian Intermarriages and the Diplomatic Landscape Before WWI

Christoph Lorke (Universität Münster)

Constructions, imaginations and the questioning of borders: Binational marriages in institutions, the public sphere and self-perceptions (1870s to 1930s)

Chair: *Dana Cooper (Stephen F. Austin State University)*

1:30-3:30pm Lunch

3:30-7:00pm Social Event – Excursion to the *Documentation Center for Displacement, Expulsion, Reconciliation*

7:00pm Dinner

Saturday, December 14, 2024

9-11am Session 5, Panels 13-15

13. Contesting Borders in East Asia

Szu-Nuo Chou (University of Ottawa)

The Segregated Others: Chinese-born Refugee Women's Transitional Position in Taiwan's Military Enclaves

Saimaiti Maimaitiming (Europauniversität Viadrina)

Going Beyond Borders: "Female Study Abroad" as a Challenge for Gender Boundaries in China, Japan, and Turkey (1870s-1930s)

Seung Hwan Ryu (Freie Universität Berlin)

Prelude to the Isolation? North Korea's Strive for Expanding its Boundaries of International Cooperation in the 1980s

Pete Millwood (University of Melbourne)

Uncertain Boundaries of Transnational Democratic Centralism in the Death of Mao and Life of Maoism

Chair: *Eun-Jeung Lee (Freie Universität Berlin)*

14. Avant Garde Echoes: Curiosity, Courage, and Boundary Crossing during the Cold War

Lesar Yurtsevar (Freie Universität Berlin)

Turkish Delights for Henry Cowell: A Composer's Quest to Grasp Modern Turkish Music in the 1950s

Anais Fléchet (Université Versailles Saint-Quentin en Yvelines)

UNESCO and Avant-Garde Music in Europe During the Cold War

Anna Kukatova (Freie Universität Berlin)

Terra Incognita: Western Legends Traveling East – David Bowie and John Cage

Chair: David Armitage (*Harvard University*)

15. Buildings and Boundaries

Ilaria Scaglia (Aston University)

The Reading Room's Shifting Boundaries, 1860s-1960s

Lydia Hendriksma (European University Institute)

Material and Immaterial Boundaries at the United Nations Headquarters in New York

Karl Wood (Kazimierz Wielki University)

The Boundaries of Culture and Nature in the Transnational Spa in the Long Eighteenth Century

Boglarka Körösi (Eötvös Loránd University)

"The Barriers Are in the Minds of the Decision-Makers": A Struggle for Accessible Urban Spaces in 1989 Hungary

Chair: *Mathias Häußler (Universität Regensburg)*

11-11:30am Coffee Break

11:30-1:00pm Final Discussion

1:00 Lunch and Departure