Program

Wednesday, 11.07.2018
Arrival of Participants, informal dinner with early arrivals

12:15-13:30 Lunch break

13:30-14:30 Heidi Scott (University of Massachusetts Amherst): "Between Complementarity and Conflict: Agriculture, Mining, and Imaginative Geographies of Fertility in Colonial Spanish America."

14:30-15:30 Diogo Cabral (Instituto Brasileiro de Geografa e Estatística): "Overwriting the Land: Alphabetic Literacy and Socio-Environmental Change in Early Brazil."

15:30-16:00 Coffee Break

16:00-17:00 Helge Wendt (Max-Planck-Institute for the History of Science): "Factors to Include (Colonial) Latin America into the Proto-Anthropocene. Environment, Extraction and Industrialization."

Friday, 13.07.2018

10:00-10:15 Welcome and Intro: Eleonora Rohland


12:15-13:30 Lunch break

13:30-14:30 William O'Reilly (University of Cambridge): "Migration in the Atlantic World."

14:30-15:00 Joyce Chaplin (Harvard University): "La Stufa di Pensilvania: How North America was an Unlikely Enlightenment Icon for Conservation."

15:00-16:00 Franz Mauelshagen (Center for Global Cooperation Research): "Extinction of Indigenous Populations, Reforestation, and the 1610 Low in CO2."

16:00-17:00 Helge Wendt (Max-Planck-Institute for the History of Science): "Factors to Include (Colonial) Latin America into the Proto-Anthropocene. Environment, Extraction and Industrialization."

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19:00 Conference Dinner I

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11:30-12:30  **Leon Enrique Ávila (Universidad Intercultural de Chiapas):** "A History of Environmental Collapse: Oil Palm in Mesoamerica."

12:30-13:45  Lunch break

13:45-14:45  **Eleonora Rohland (Bielefeld University):** "Unfamiliar Environments: The 1494-96 Famine on Hispaniola – ‘Indigenous Ploy’ or Climate Anomaly?"

14:45-17:00  Closed Group Discussion of Funding Formats and Handbook Project idea (with coffee)

18:00  Conference Dinner II

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**Workshop**

**The Colonial Transformation of the Americas:**

Environment and Society, 1492 to the Present

July 12 to 13, 2018, Building X, B2-103, Bielefeld Graduate School of History and Sociology (BGHS)

**Organizer:**

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**Invited Guests/ Participants:**

Craig Colten (Baton Rouge), Olaf Kaltmeier (Bielefeld), Heidi Scott (Amherst), Diogo Cabral (Rio de Janeiro), Helge Wendt (Berlin), William O’Reilly (Cambridge UK), Joyce Chaplin (Cambridge Mass.), Franz Mauelshagen (Duisburg), Leon Enrique Ávila (San Cristóbal de las Casas)