THURSDAY: 28th of November 2019

09:30 – 10:00: Registration

10:00 – 10:15: Welcome Note

Alexandra Kaasch (Director of Institute for World Society Studies)

Olaf Kaltmeier (Director of the Center of Advanced Latinamerican Studies, Center of Interamerican Studies)

Sandra Holtgreve (Member RTG 2225 - World Politics, workshop organizer)


Ramón Grosfoguel (University of Berkeley)

11:45 – 12:00: Coffee Break

12:00 – 13:30: Decolonize the mind: Alternative Research Epistemologies and Methodologies

moderates: Nicole Schwabe

„The Center for Advanced Studies and Decolonization of Knowledge”

Olaf Kaltmeier (Bielefeld University)

“Decolonizing research methodology - the relationship between epistemology and research methodology”

Sandrew Hira (DECOEUR)

“When students and teachers co-construct knowledge: is it a decolonial gesture?”

Capucine Boidin (Paris VII)

13:30 – 14:30: Lunchbreak

14:30 – 16:00: Organize Education and Research: Higher Education Politics in times of Crisis

moderates: Carolina Guzmán-Valenzuela (Centre for Advanced Studies in Education)

“Knowledge production and research collaboration in higher education in Latin America: questioning hegemonic narratives”

Jelena Brankovicz (Bielefeld University)

“Emerging Decolonized Research Networks: The Max Planck Society and the Leibniz Association in Latin America”

Pedro Pineda (International Centre for Higher Education Research)

16:00 – 16:30: Coffee Break

16:30 – 17:15: Movie presentation: “BUSCANDO DIÁLOGO”

A film by Olaf Kaltmeier and Alex Schlenker

18:00: Dinner // Christmas Market

FRIDAY: 29th of November 2019

09:00 – 09:45: “sense&sciencie&sensibility: epistemologías migrantes para cuidar la vida (conferencia-performance)”

Maria Fernanda Moscoso (BAU Centro Universitario de Diseño de Barcelona)

09:45 – 10:00: Coffee Break

10:15 – 11:45: Decolonize Curricula: Pitfalls of reorganizing westernized education

moderates: Gladys Vasquez

Colonizing the decolonial turn? Insights from Social Work education in Mexico, Ecuador, and Germany

Sandra Holtgreve (Bielefeld University)

Impulses for the De-centering of History Education

Nicole Schwabe (Bielefeld University)

Demodernizing, decolonizing and reconceptualizing higher education and social sciences from historicity in Ecuador.

Freddy Michel (Central University of Ecuador)

This talk will be held in Spanish with translation in English.

11:45 – 12:00: Coffee Break

12:00 – 13:30: Create Alternatives: Experiences of insurgent university projects

moderates: Yasin Sunca

Autonomy and knowledge production in Mayan schools of Chiapas

Bruno Baronnet (University of Veracruz)

This talk will be held in Spanish with translation in English.

Los retos de la interculturalidad: visibilización de la construcción del conocimiento desde el mundo indígena andino

Luis Alberto Tuaza (National University of Chimborazo)

This talk will be held in Spanish with translation in English.

A Village Turned Into School: in the aftermath of academic purges in Turkey

Ozan Zeybek (Freudenberg Stiftung Fellow):

13:30 – 14:30: Lunchbreak

14:30 – 15:30: Universities in Crisis or the Crisis of the University? (Final discussion)

moderates: Sandra Holtgreve

Fishbowl discussion with impressions from the conference from panel moderators.

15:30: Closing words & Farewell