

COMPARISONS GOING GLOBAL?

With this conference we bring together researchers from different disciplines studying different regions of the world to answer the question of whether practices of comparing were different around the globe before the European Expansion and the consequent overpowering of the respective colonized regions:

Did practices of comparing function according to different logics prior to sustained contact with European civilisation? Or, conversely, did they exhibit logics that point to universal or more widespread features of doing comparisons that were previously considered distinctly “Western” or “modern”?

With our invited guests we hope to be able to compare ‘practices of comparing’ on a global scale, and thus – different than usual – to be able to start from non-European practices of comparing.

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HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES ON THE CONTEMPORARY WORLD

17.–19.10.2024 | Bielefeld University

THURSDAY, 17.10.2024

10:30 AM **Welcome**
Antje Flüchter, *Bielefeld (GER)*
& Eleonora Rohland, *Bielefeld (GER)*

11:30 AM Coffee Break

12:00 PM Stephan Scheuzger, *Zürich (CH)*
How to Lock Up Efficiently and Humanely?
Metropolitan, Colonial and Postcolonial
Comparisons of Prison Regimes in the
Middle of the Nineteenth Century (Zoom)

Chair: Nadine Al-Bayaa

01:00 PM Lunch Break

02:30 PM Annika Raapke, *Oldenburg (GER)*
The Unbearable Unfairness of Being.
Privilege, Comparison and Disappointment in
18th Century Caribbean Colonialism (Zoom)

Chair: Nadine Al-Bayaa

03:30 PM Malick Ghachem, *Cambridge/MA (US)*
An Original Meaning Abroad:
The American Constitutions and
the Haitian Revolution

Chair: Malte Wittmaack

04:30 PM Coffee Break

05:00 PM Birgit Schäbler, *Erfurt (GER)*
Going South. Orientalism as a
Travelling Practice of Comparing

Chair: Malte Wittmaack

07:00 PM Joint Dinner

FRIDAY, 18.10.2024

09:00 AM City Tour through Bielefeld with Patrizia
Höfer, *Bündnis Decolonize Bielefeld (GER)*
Starting Point: Altes Rathaus, Bielefeld

12:30 PM Lunch Break

02:00 PM Martina Schrader-Kniffki, *Mainz (GER)*
From the Pre-Hispanic *códice* to the Colonial
libro mántico. 'Lists' as an Instrument of
Comparison in Indigenous Cultures in
Mexico

Chair: Julia Engelschalt

03:00 PM Sebastian Jobs, *Berlin (GER)*
Through the Eyes of Others? –
Visual Comparisons of Blackness in
Nineteenth-Century U.S. Photography

Chair: Julia Engelschalt

04:00 PM Coffee Break

04:30 PM Endre Sashalmi, *Pécs (HUN)*
Comparison as a Tool of Self-Identity and
its Role in the Formation of Russian Imperial
Identity in the 18th Century. The Emergence
of a Statist-Civilizational Outlook

Chair: Thomas Müller

07:00 PM Joint Dinner

SATURDAY, 19.10.2024

10:00 AM Mathilde Ackermann-Koenigs, *Bielefeld (GER)*
Negotiating Power and Emancipation:
Comparative Practices in the Struggle
for Haitian Independence (1814–1825)

Chair: Angela Gutierrez

11:00 AM Coffee Break

11:30 AM **Final Discussion/Round Table**
Victoria J. Collis-Buthelezi, *Johannesburg (ZAF)*,
Ulrike Davy, *Bielefeld (GER)*,
Kirsten Kramer, *Bielefeld (GER)*,
Malick Ghachem, *Cambridge/MA (US)*
& Martin Petzke, *Bielefeld (GER)*

12:30 PM Lunch Break/Departure

