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#### Conference fee:

100 € regular university employees  
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#### Conference venue:

Gießhaus, University of Kassel  
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 34109 Kassel

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From the train station "Kassel-Wilhelmshöhe" take tram line 1 (direction Vellmar) and get off at "Holländischer Platz".

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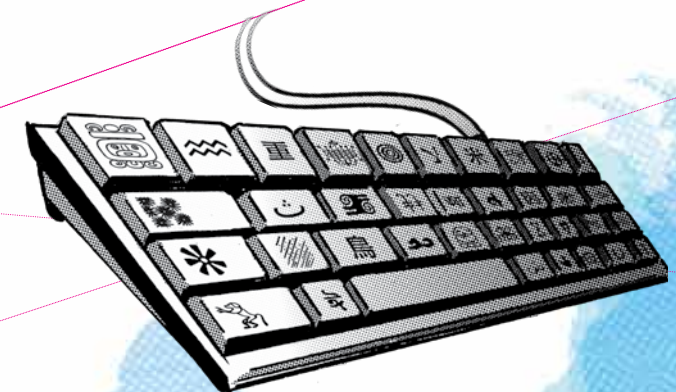
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## THURSDAY, 14 JANUARY 2016

12:00 pm Registration

1:30 pm **Welcome & Introduction** (Ute Clement, Vice President and Winfried Speitkamp, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences)

1:45 pm **Opening Address** (Aram Ziai & Elisabeth Tuiider)

2:15 pm **Keynote I**  
"The Decolonial Otherwise as a Cosmopolitan Project"  
Siba Grovogui, Cornell University (USA)

3:15 pm **Coffee Break**

3:45 pm **Panels**  
**1. Me and the Others - the Researching Subject in Postcolonial Research**  
Panel Chair: Anke Ortlepp

"I Wear so Many Hats: Learning to Speak as a Community, Not for Them"  
Laura Ann Chubb, University of Auckland

"For More Feelings of Unease within White Research Practice! A Critical Whiteness Perspective on Postcolonial Research Encounters"  
Katharina Fritsch, University of Vienna

"Committing Epistemicide?" On the Impossibility of Doing Ethnography"  
Luisa Hoffmann, Goethe University Frankfurt

"Decolonial Historical Realism and Pluriversalization. Approaching the Question of History, Interpretation and Theory in Relation to Decolonial Research"  
Julia Suárez-Krabbe, Roskilde University

**2. De/reconstructing Global Knowledge Orders**  
Panel Chair: Franziska Müller

"Derrida and the Hospitality in International Relations"  
Vjosa Musliu, Ghent University

"The Philosophy of Liberation and the Place of Islamic Epistemologies in the Modern Social Sciences and Humanities"  
Latife Reda, Research Consultant at ILO Beirut

"On Epistemic Violence. Agaciro & the Limits of Moving beyond Wilsonian Interventionist Knowledge Production on Rwanda"  
Olivia Rutazibwa, University of Portsmouth

"Africa in Oceania: Thinking besides the Subaltern"  
Robbie Shilliam, Queen Mary University of London

**3. Travelling Normative Concepts**  
Panel Chair: Franziska Dübgen

"Should Frankfurt be Decolonized or Provincialized?"  
Floris Biskamp, University of Kassel

"Inventing 'Modern Chinese People' via Social Surveys: Practicing Method in China, 1910-1940"  
Yijin He, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences Beijing

"Border thinking? Unsettling Basic Concepts of Critical Migration Research and Activism"  
Aino Korvensyrjä, University of Helsinki

"Exploring Ethics and Researching Rights in a Globalized World"  
Mariam Popal, University of Bayreuth

6:15 pm **Break**

6:30 pm **Lecture Performance**  
"Dismantling the Master's Archive"  
Laura Digoh, KARFI - Schwarzes Kollektiv für Empowerment und rassismuskritische Bildung  
Jeanette Ehrmann, Research Institute of Philosophy Hannover  
Darja Klingenberg, Goethe University Frankfurt

7:15 pm **Break**

7:30 pm **Panel discussion**  
(öffentliches Panel in deutscher Sprache / public panel discussion in German)  
"Postkolonial forschen in Deutschland – Stand und Hindernisse in den Gesellschaftswissenschaften"

Manuela Boatcă, University of Freiburg  
Encarnación Gutiérrez Rodríguez, Justus-Liebig-University Gießen  
Noa Ha, Technical University of Berlin

Panel Chair: Aram Ziai

8:30 pm **Close and walk/transfer to restaurant**

9:00 pm **Dinner at Arkadaş, Sickingenstr. 10**  
(not included in conference fee)

## FRIDAY, 15 JANUARY 2016

9:00 am **Keynote II**  
"Decolonizing Feminism: Theories and Practices from the Margins"  
Aida Hernández Castillo, CIESAS (Mexico)

10:00 am **Panels**  
**4. Materiality Matters**  
Panel Chair: Daniel Bendix

"From the Postcolonial to the Decolonial: Approaching the Post-Invasion Iraqi Women's Rights Movement"  
Zahra Ali, EHESS of Paris and Institut français du Proche-Orient

"The Proof of the Pudding is in the Eating" – Knowledge Production as Political Praxis in the Context of Transnational Solidarity"  
Sebastian Garbe, Justus-Liebig-University Gießen

"The Imperial Connection: Visualising the Colonial Economy"  
Branwen Gruffydd Jones, Goldsmiths College, London

"Silencing the Female Subaltern again? About the Hierarchical Organization of Southern NGOs against Neoliberal Globalization"  
Christine Löw, Goethe University Frankfurt

**5. Transforming Power Relations in Research and Teaching**  
Panel Chair: Pinar Tuzcu

"Community Accountable Scholarship within a Participatory Action Research (PAR) Model"  
Melanie Brazzel, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin

"Teaching without the Master's Tools? Interrogating the Links between Research and Teaching in Creating a Decolonised World"  
Andrew Davies, University of Liverpool

"How the Decolonization of the History of Ideas can be Helpful for the Decolonization of Research on Democracy"  
Sibylle de la Rosa, University of Heidelberg

"Decolonizing Reflexivity in Collaborative Ethnography: A Case Study from an Intercultural University in Mexico"  
Gunther Dietz & Laura Selene Mateos Cortés, Universidad Veracruzana Xalapa Enriquez

**6. Decolonizing the Interview**  
Panel Chair: Elisabeth Tuiider

"Decolonizing the Interview: A Futile and Treacherous Pursuit?"  
Maria Eriksson Baaz, University of Gothenburg

"Decolonizing Methodology: A proposal for reciprocal research methods"  
Cornelia Giebler, University of Bielefeld

"Expert Community in Transitional Reform"  
Tijana Moraca, Sapienza University Rome

"Reality versus Utopia. (Dis)connections between my Field of Research, Research Practice and a Way out?"  
Mirjam Tutzer, Goethe University Frankfurt

12:30 pm **Lunch Break**

1:30 pm **Panels**  
**7. Re-reading the Colonial Archive**  
Panel Chair: Julia Hauser

"Constructions of Childhood and Deviance: In Need of a Post-Colonial Turn"  
Chandni Basu, Albert Ludwigs University of Freiburg

"Challenging the Domestic Colonial Archive: Towards a Theory from the Italian South"  
Carmine Conelli, University of Naples  
"L'Orientale"

"Film studies and Postcolonial Perspectives"  
Matthias de Groof, University of Antwerp

"Barking Up the Wrong Tree, or Why a Re-reading of the Colonial Archive Should Make Methodological Nationalism One of Our Lesser Worries"  
Peo Hansen, Linköping University

**8. Transdisciplinary & Decolonial? Practicing Participatory Research**  
Panel Chair: Miriam Trzeciak

"Doing and Un-Doing Knowledge Production in Migration Studies - Decolonizing Methods and Approaches through Participatory Processes"  
Katherine Braun, University of Hamburg

"Decolonizing Migration Research: Risks and Side Effects of Moving beyond the Confines of Academic Standard"  
María Teresa Herrera Vivar, Goethe University Frankfurt

"Academic Institutional Challenges for a Decolonialization of our Research Practices. Experiences from Collaborative Research with Women's Rights Organizations in Mexico"  
Anika Meckesheimer, Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana Mexico City

"We want to be the Protagonists of our own Stories! Reflections on a Participatory Research Project of Researchers and Domestic Workers in The Netherlands & South Africa"  
Helen Schwenken, University of Osnabrück

**9. Whose Knowledge, whose Agency? Activist Research**  
Panel Chair: Joshua Kwesi Aikins

"Suggestions how to Overcome the Privilege of the Last Word in Research"  
Mechthild Exo, Freie Universität Berlin

"Research in Roma Communities"  
Charlotte Kühlbrandt, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

"The Ethics and Politics of Doing Research 'Otherwise': Reflections on Practicing Participatory Research as Decolonizing Methodology"  
Johanna Leinius, Goethe University Frankfurt

4:00 pm **Coffee Break**

4:30 pm **Keynote III**  
"Postcolonial and Decolonial Reconstructions: The Difference that Haiti Makes"  
Gurminder K. Bhambra, University of Warwick (UK)

5:30 pm **Spoken Word Performances**

"A Fanfare for the Colonised"  
Philipp Khabo Koepsell, Interdisciplinary artist and spoken word performer

"Instead of Explanations"  
Moona Moon, Kanaktivist, poet, performer

6:15 pm **Closing remarks** (Aram Ziai & Elisabeth Tuiider)