

Historicizing the Refugee Experience, 17th–21st Centuries

First Annual International Seminar in Historical Refugee Studies

Kulturwissenschaftliches Institut (KWI), Essen, October 12-15, 2021

Day 1: Oct 12, 2021

13:30-14:00 (CET) Welcome

Chair: Jan C. Jansen (Duisburg-Essen), Dane Kennedy (Washington, DC)

14:00-15:45 (CET) Session 1

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Fabrice Langrognet (Princeton/Oxford), *The Refugee-Migrant Distinction and the Need for Bridging Analytical Divides*

Anne Schult (New York), *Counting the Countless: Statistics, Demography, and the Modern Refugee, 1920s–1960*

Comments: David de Boer & Nicolás González Quintero

15:45-16:15 Coffee Break

16:15-18:00 Session 2

Chair: Sabine Hanke (Duisburg-Essen)

David de Boer (Amsterdam), *Humanitarianism before the Humanitarian Revolution: Transnational Compassion and Refugee Relief in Early Modern Europe, 1550–1750*

Olivier Lamon (Geneva), *A Republican-Democratic Asylum in the Heart of a Monarchical Europe? The Reception of Switzerland's Asylum Policy Towards Refugees of the 1848 Revolutions*

Comments: Mitchell Edwards & Salma Hargal

18:30-20:00 Public keynote

Peter Gatrell (Manchester), *Learning by Doing: Reflections on Refugee History*

Introduction by Jan C. Jansen

Day 2: Oct 13, 2021

9:00-10:45 Session 3

Chair: Delphine Diaz (Reims)

Victoria Abrahamyan (Neuchâtel), *The Impact of the Armenian Refugees on the Syrian Hosts during the French Mandate, 1920-1936*

Salma Hargal (Lyon), *Questioning the muhācir Status in the late Ottoman Empire: The Algerian Migrations after the French Conquest (1830–1876)*

Comments: Fabrice Langrognet & Charlotte Lysa

10:45-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-13:00 Session 4

Chair: Megan Maruschke (Duisburg-Essen)

Mitchell Edwards (Evanston, IL), *Cultivating Refuge in North-Central Uganda, 1720–1850*

Edidiong Ekefre (Johannesburg), *Hosting Refugees: The Nigerian Biafran Child-Refugees and the Inter-African Refugee Network System During the Nigerian Civil War, 1967 and Beyond*

Comments: Lennart Bolliger & Sarah Knoll

13:00-14:30 Lunch (catering)

14:30-16:15 Session 5

Chair: Susanne Lachenicht (Bayreuth)

Nicolás González Quintero (Sao Paulo), *Belonging or not to the Nation: Loyalist Refugees in the Caribbean during the Spanish American Revolutions*

Ana Joanna Vergara Sierra (Minneapolis/St. Paul), *Routes of Exile – Trans-Imperial Networks and the Emigrants of the Venezuelan War of Independence in the Non-Spanish Caribbean (1780–1830)*

Comments: Dimitra Glenti & Olivier Lamon

18:30 Conference Dinner

Day 3: Oct 14, 2021

9:00-10:45 Session 6

Intermediate discussion

Chair: Jan C. Jansen, Dane Kennedy

10:45-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-13:00 Session 7

Chair: Peter Gatrell

Dimitra Glenti (Lesvos), *Refugee Experience and Integration in a Historical Perspective: The Case of Lesvos*

Charlotte Lysa (Oslo), *A History of Refugees in Saudi Arabia*

Comments: Edidiong Ekefre & Lynton Lees

13:00 Lunch (catering)

Free afternoon

Day 4: Oct 15, 2021

9:00-10:45 Session 8

The Academy in Exile

10:45-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-13:00 Session 9

Chair: Thomas Mareite (Duisburg-Essen)

Baher Ibrahim (Glasgow), *Uprooting, Trauma, and Confinement: Refugees and Psychiatrists, 1945–1993*

Sarah Knoll (Vienna), *Historicizing International Aid: UNHCR for Refugees in Austria During the Cold War (1956–1990)*

Comments: Victoria Abrahamyan & Anne Schult

13:00-14:30 Lunch (catering)

14:30-16:15 Session 10

Chair: Jannik Keindorf (Duisburg-Essen)

Lynton Lees (New York), *Rescue and Resettlement: Emigrating Jewish Child Refugees in the late British Empire, c.1938–1948*

Lennart Bolliger (Berlin/Johannesburg), *Militarized Refugees: A History of Angolan Women and Children Associated with Apartheid South Africa's Military, 1975–89*

Comments: Ana Joanna Vergara Sierra & Baher Ibrahim

16:15-16:45 Coffee break

16:45-17:45 Concluding discussion

Chair: Jan C. Jansen

18:30 Farewell dinner