

Historicizing the Refugee Experience, 17th–21st Centuries

First Annual International Seminar in Historical Refugee Studies

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

Tentative Schedule

Day 1: Oct 12, 2021

13:30-15:45 Welcome & Session 1

Chair: Dane Kennedy (Washington, DC)

Fabrice Langrognet (Princeton/Oxford), *The Refugee-Migrant Distinction since 1945: The Emergence of an Interdisciplinary History*

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

Comments: David de Boer & Nicolás González Quintero

15:45-16:15 Coffee Break

16:15-18:00 Session 2

Chair: Simone Lässig (Washington, DC)

David de Boer (Amsterdam), *Refugee Advocacy and the Rise of Humanitarianism in the Dutch Republic and Prussia, 1600–1800*

Olivier Lamon (Geneva), *A Republican-Democratic Asylum in the Heart of a Monarchical Europe? Switzerland and the Political Refugees of the Revolutions of 1848*

Comments: Mitchell Edwards & Salma Hargal

18:30-20:00 Public keynote

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

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), *The Algerian Refugee and Migrant Experience in the Ottoman Empire (1830–1914)*

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 a Corridor of Refuge in Northern Uganda, 1750–1850*

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 Danish West Indies (1780–1830)*

Comments: Dimitra Glenti & Olivier Lamon

18:30 Conference Dinner

Day 3: Oct 14, 2021

9:00-10:45 Session 6

Intermediate discussion

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 Refugeehood 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: Empire, Humanitarianism, and Jewish Child Refugees in Postwar Britain*

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

18:30 Farewell dinner