Central Europe and Colonialism: MIGRATIONS, KNOWLEDGES, PERSPECTIVES, COMMODITIES

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PROGRAMME
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Wednesday, 21 September, 2016

Faculty of Philology, Institute of Romance Philology of the University of Wrocław, Bp. Nankiera 4 (Room 2.2), 50-140 Wrocław

08:30-09:00 Registration

09:00-09:30 Welcome addresses
Professor Marcin Cieński, Dean, Faculty of Philology, University of Wrocław
Professor Tadeusz Luty, Director, Academia Europaea Wrocław Knowledge Hub
Professor Siegfried Huigen, Faculty of Philology, University of Wrocław; Academia Europaea Wrocław Knowledge Hub

09:30-10:45 Session 1 | Session Chair: Michael North
Commodities 1

09:30-10:00 Dariusz Kołodziejczyk, Warsaw
Twisted Ways of Commodities in the Early Modern Era and the Positioning of Poland on the Map of Colonialism

10:00-10:15 Werner Scheltjens, Leipzig
Commodity Flows between Central Europe and the New World

10:15-10:45 Discussion

10:45-11:15 Coffee break

11:15-12:45 Session 2 | Session Chair: Renate Pieper
Central European Export Industries in a Globalized Space and in the ‘Longue durée’ from the 15th to the 20th Century

11:15-11:30 Torsten dos Santos Arnold, Frankfurt/Oder
Central Europe and the Portuguese, Spanish and French Atlantic, 15th to 19th Centuries

11:30-11:45 Samuel Eleazar Wendt, Frankfurt/Oder
Tropical Raw Materials for New Industries: the Impact of Rubber and Palm Oil in Wilhelmine Germany, 1871-1918

11:45-12:15 Klaus Weber, Frankfurt/Oder
Central European Geography, Foreign Trade, and the Category of Space in German Scholarship

12:15-12:45 Discussion

12:45-14:00 Lunch | Bazylia Bar, Kuźnicza 42, Wrocław
14:00-15:45  **Session 3** | Session Chair: Pieter Emmer  

**Knowledges 1**  

14:00-14:30  Maria Leuker, Cologne  
*Circulation in Spaces of Knowledge between Asia and Europe. Rumphius' Ambainsche Rariteitkamer (1705) and its Poetics of Knowledge*

14:30-15:00  Esther Helena Arens & Charlotte Kießling, Cologne  
*Locals, Knowledge and Force. Rumphius’ Rariteitkamer and Kruid-Boek as Colonial Contact Zones*

15:00-15:15  Damien Tricoire, Halle-Wittenberg  
*Beňovský on Madagascar: the Self-Fashioning and Knowledge Production of a Central European Actor in the French Colonial Empire*

15:15-15:45  Discussion

15:45-16:15  **Coffee Break**

19:00  **Welcome Dinner** | Bernard Pub&Restaurant, Rynek 35, Wrocław

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**Thursday, 22 September, 2016**

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09:30-11:00  **Session 4** | Session Chair: Dariusz Kołodziejczyk  

**Knowledges 2**  

09:30-10:00  Theo D’haen, Leuven  
*World Literature and the Colonial World*

10:00-10:15  Sofiya Grachova, Washington  
*Physical Anthropology, Medical Ethnography, and Cultural Hierarchies: the Cases of Ukrainians and Eastern European Jews (1890s to 1930)*

10:15-10:30  Tamir Karkason, Jerusalem  
*Ottoman-Jewish Maskilim (Enlighteners) and their Austro-Hungarian Counterparts: A Case Study*

10:30-11:00  Discussion

11:00-11:15  **Coffee break**

11:15-12:45  **Session 5** | Session Chair: Dirk Uffelmann  

**Perspectives 1**  

11:15-11:45  Madina Tlostanova, Linköping  
*From Resistance to Re-Existence: Postcolonial/Postsocialist Junctures and Decolonial Options*

11:45-12:00  Jan Surman, Marburg  
*Habsburg Postcolonial? Postcolonial Perspectives on Entangled Spaces*

12:00-12:15  Anca Baiocoianu, Bucharest  
*Grounds for Comparison: the Postcolonial and the Post-Soviet*

12:15-12:30  Kinga Siewior, Cracow  
*Transfers of Power and Tradition in Polish Resettlement Novel*

12:30-13:00  Discussion

13:00-14:00  **Lunch** | Bazylia Bar, Kuźnicza 42, Wrocław
14:00-15:30  Session 6 | Session Chair: Theo D’haen
Perspectives 2

14:00-14:15  Raul Cârstocea, Flensburg
*The Unbearable Virtues of Backwardness: Mircea Eliade’s Conceptualisation of Colonialism and his Attraction to Romania’s Interwar Fascist Movement*

14:15-14:30  Agnieszka Sadecka, New Delhi/Tuebingen
*Reportage from the (Post-)Contact Zone: Polish Travellers’ Take on British Colonialism in India*

14:30-14:45  Andrei Sorescu, London
*The Many Meanings of “Colonisation” in Nineteenth-Century Romania*

14:45-15:00  Benjamin Thorpe, Nottingham
*Eurafrica as a Pan-European Vehicle for Central European Colonialism (1923-1939)*

15:00-15:30  Discussion

15:30-15:45  Coffee break

15:45-17:15  Session 7 | Session Chair: Dorota Kołodziejczyk
Perspectives 3

15:45-16:15  Dirk Uffelmann, Passau
*Tropes of "Central Europe": Anti-Colonialism and Strategic Realism*

16:15-16:30  Rosamund Johnston, New York
*Radio Empire? Czechoslovak International Broadcasting to Africa in the 1960s*

16:30-16:45  Anja Nikolic, Belgrade
*Joseph Conrad – The Clash of the National and Imperial*

16:45-17:15  Discussion

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**Friday, 23 September, 2016**

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09:00-10:30  Session 8 | Session Chair: Madina Tlostanova
Perspectives 4

09:00-09:15  Miriam Finkelstein, Innsbruck
*Soviet Colonialism Reloaded: Encounters between Russians and Central Europeans in Contemporary Literature about Berlin*

09:15-09:30  Róisin Healy, Galway
*Reflections on Colonialism and Anti-Colonialism in Ireland and Poland*

09:30-09:45  Mateusz Świetlicki, Wrocław
*If There’s War between the Sexes Then There’ll Be No People Left” - (Post)Colonial Men and Masculinity in Serhiy Zhadan’s Fiction*

09:45-10:00  Jawad Daheur, Strasbourg
*«They Handle with Blacks Just As with Us»: German Colonialism in Cameroon in the Eyes of Poles (1885-1914)*

10:00-10:30  Discussion

10:30-10:45  Coffee break
10:45-12:30  Session 9 | Session Chair: Mateusz Świetlicki
Migrations 1

10:45-11:15  Mark Häberlein, Bamberg
The Strange Career of Johann Matthias Kramer – Migration, Language, and the Circulation of Information in Eighteenth-Century Central Europe

11:15-11:30  Jochen Lingelbach, Leipzig
Polish Refugees in Africa – Central Europeans and Their Position within Colonial Society

11:30-11:45  Julia Malitska, Stockholm
The Golden Cage: Imperial Politics, Colonist Rank and Marriage in the Nineteenth-Century Black Sea Steppe

11:45-12:00  William O’Reilly, Cambridge
Out-Sourcing an Empire? German Migration, Colonialism and Discourses of Difference in 18th-Century Hungary, Russia and North America

12:00-12:30  Discussion

12:30-13:45  Lunch | Bazylia Bar, Kuźnicza 42, Wrocław

13:45-15:00  Session 10 | Session Chair: Miriam Finkelstein
Migrations 2

13:45-14:00  Helge Wendt, Berlin
Central European Missionaries in Sudan. Geopolitics and Alternative Colonialism in Mid-Nineteenth Century Africa

14:00-14:15  Jagoda Wierzejska, Warsaw
An Eastern European “Sahib” in the Former Colony of the Western Powers: Andrzej Bobkowski in Guatemala (1948-1961)

14:15-14:30  Andrew Zonderman, Atlanta
The “Steel Which Gives Them Edge”: German-Speaking Soldiers and the British East India Company in the Eighteenth Century

14:30-15:00  Discussion

15:00-15:30  Coffee break

15:30-15:45  Conference closing

18:30  Farewell Dinner | Pod Fredrą Restaurant, Rynek 1, Wrocław
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