



Graduate School Society and Culture in Motion
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Workshop

Missionary Activities: Challenging Cultural and Religious Paradigms at Home and Abroad

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Since the establishment of the first religious missions, missionary activities have often resulted in the spread of particular concepts and values. In terms of their specific spatial and temporal locations and their particular ideological backgrounds, missions intentionally seek to shape a certain kind of behavior according to assured cultural and religious paradigms. In doing so, the strategies, reports and reflections of missionaries offer an invaluable source and documentation of the constructions of cultural otherness and the different ways of dealing with them.

The workshop pursues to explore missionary activities of eastern and western religious institutions with a focus on the following three dimensions: I. Mission and Violence, II. Mission and Health, III. Mission and Knowledge.

Thursday, 19 January 2012

- 13:00 Welcome address and opening remarks
Richard Rottenburg
Speaker of the Research Cluster “Society and Culture in Motion”
Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Halle/Saale
- 13:15 I: Mission and Violence
Chaired by Claudia Ulbrich

Arne Moritz
Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Halle/Saale
Nicholas of Cusa
- 14:45 *Coffee break*
- 15:00 **Emilia Portaluppi, Carmen González, Gustavo Macedo, Stefan Knauß**
Reading Group ‘Latin American Thought’
Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Halle/Saale
Epistemic Violence in Missionary Movements?
- 17:00 **Andreas Kleinert**
Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Halle/Saale
Guided tour of the Marienbibliothek, Halle/Saale
- 18:30 *Dinner at the restaurant “Mönchshof”*

Friday, 20 January 2012

9:15

Reinhart Kößler

Arnold Bergstraesser Institute, Freiburg

Rhenish Missionaries in Southern Namibia and Their Pupils

10:45

Coffee break

11:00

II: Mission and Health

Chaired by James Thompson

Adadow Yidana

Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Halle/Saale

The Concept of Health in African Missions

13:00

Lunch

14:00

III: Mission and Knowledge

Chaired by Hami Gümüs

Klaus Koschorke

Ludwig Maximilians University, Munich

Mission and the Printing Press, the Formation of Transcontinental
Networks