



Historicizing  
the Refugee  
Experience

## Fourth Annual International Seminar in Historical Refugee Studies

3-6 July 2024, Tübingen, Germany

@ Schloss Hohentübingen  
Burgsteige 11 (Tübingen)

Please note: all times indicated in the programme are CEST.

## Final Programme



## Wednesday, 3 July 2024

### 15.00-17.15 Words of Welcome and Session 1

Words of Welcome:

Jan C. Jansen (University of Tübingen) & Dane Kennedy (GHI Washington)

Session Chair: Delphine Diaz (University of Reims)

Comments: Sara Cosemans, Victoria Do

**Kathleen Commons.** “Precluded from living in your dominion”: Forced Migrants and the Development of Pre-Modern “Refugee” Rights Regimes in Early Modern England.

**Natalia Woszczyk.** Historicising the Experience of Exile: The Bohemian Brethren’s Exile of 1548 in the Seventeenth Century Narratives.

### 18.00-19.00 Keynote Lecture & Reception (@Hegelbau, Wilhelmstraße 36, 72074 Tübingen)

**Susanne Lachenicht** (University of Bayreuth). Historicizing the Refugee Experience: Some Reflections on Current Research Interests, Concepts, Paradigms, and Problems in Refugee Studies.

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## Thursday, 4 July 2024

### 09.00-10.45 Session 2

Session Chair: Glenn Penny (University of California, Los Angeles)

Comments: Jessica Wehner, Natalia Woszczyk

**Paulina Dominik.** From Freedom Fighters to Agents of Empire(s)? Polish Political Émigrés in the Nineteenth-Century Ottoman Mediterranean.

**Muhamed Riyaz Chenganakkatil.** Exilic Networks: Political Refugees in the Imperial Hijaz (1857-1921).



### 11.15-13.00 Session 3

Session Chair:

Cristian Cercel (Institute for Danube Swabian History and Regional Studies)

Comments: Kathleen Commons, Xian Yu Jee

**Panagiotis Karagkounis.** Humanitarian and Refugee Temporalities in the Post-Lausanne Order, 1922-1929.

**Ramon Wiederkehr.** The Politics of Humanitarian Aid and the Admission of Baltic Displaced Women to Switzerland, 1947-1948.

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## Friday, 5 July 2024

### 09.45-11.30 Session 4

Session Chair: Mathias Beer (University of Tübingen)

Comments: Ryan Cheuk Him Sun, Panagiotis Karagkounis

**Pragya Kaul.** Envisioning the “Refugee Colonist”: Jewish Refugees in the British Empire (1933-1939).

**Xian Yu Jee.** Being Unwanted: Huaqiao as Refugees in Southeast Asia (1941-1951).

### 12.00-13.00 Intermediate Discussion

Session Chair: Jannik Keindorf (University of Tübingen) & Thomas Mareite (University of Tübingen)

### 14.30-16.15 Session 5

Chair: Peter Gatrell (University of Manchester)

Comments: Paulina Dominik, Ramon Wiederkehr



**Ryan Cheuk Him Sun.** Negotiating colonial ‘paper walls’: Central European Jewish Refugees and Local Jewish communities in Hong Kong and Singapore (1938-1940).

**Jessica Wehner.** “An apparently indissoluble clot of unwanted humanity”: Negotiating the Resettlement of ‘Displaced Persons’ perceived as ‘non-European Other’.

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**Saturday, 6 July 2024**

**09.00-10.45 External Guest**

**Ulrike Schulze - Refugee Law Clinic (University of Tübingen)**

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**11.15-13.00 Session 6**

Chair: Ilana Feldman (George Washington University)

Comments: Muhamed Riyaz Chenganakkatil, Pragya Kaul

**Victoria Do.** “Like Brothers”: Vietnamese Helicopter Pilots and Vietnamization in Savannah Georgia, 1965-1990.

**Sara Cosemans.** Freedom of Movement in a Decolonizing World: How Non-Western Actors Shaped the Post-War Mobility Regime.

**14.30-16.00 Concluding Discussion**

Chair: Jan C. Jansen (University of Tübingen) & Dane Kennedy (GHI Washington)



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