

## Workshop Program

### Between Choice and Command: Migration and Return Across and Beyond Colonial Empires, 1900-1960

University of Erfurt, December 1-2, 2025

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**Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 9:00 am-7:00 pm, C23 Room Senatssaal (10<sup>th</sup> floor, take elevator to the top and then use stairs), University of Erfurt**

9.00-9:30 am: *Welcome and Introduction*

Section 1: Chair: Silvan Niedermeier (Erfurt)

9:30-10:30 am: Anindita Bhattacharya (Maynooth): *Imperial Anxieties, Post-war Provisions and Growing Discontent: A history of Indian veterans of the First World War*

10:30-11:30 am: Baijayanti Roy (Frankfurt): *Return, Repatriation or Flight? Destinies of Indian anti-colonialists in Nazi Germany and thereafter*

11:30 am-12:00 pm *Coffee Break*

12:00-1:00 pm: Ronald Hirte (Weimar/Buchenwald): *Entangled Systems of Coercion: Deportees from Colonial Contexts in Buchenwald*

1:00-2:00 pm: *Lunch break Mensa Erfurt*

Section 2: Chair: Gifty Nyame Tabiri (Erfurt)

2:00-3:00 pm: Elise Mazurié (Freiburg): *Changing Categorisations from the Interwar through National Socialism to the Post-War: The reparation claim of a Moroccan soldier against the Federal Republic of Germany*

3:00-4:00 pm: Gisela Ewe (Hamburg): *Between Defiance and Alliance: Negotiating resistance, solidarity and political strategy in Hamburg's (post-)colonial context*

4:00-5:00 pm: Nicola Camilleri (Maynooth): *From Ethiopia to Italy and Back: a family history of Italian colonialism*

5:00-5:30 pm *Coffee Break*

5:30-7:00 pm Public Keynote Lecture:

Dónal Hassett (Maynooth): *The Great War of Movement: Thinking Critically about mobility, displacement, coercion and consent in the French Empire's First World War*

8:00 pm *Workshop Dinner*



**Tuesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9 – 12:30, Room C19:00:02\_3, Forschungsbau Weltbeziehungen, University of Erfurt**

Section 3: Chair: Patrice Poutrus (Berlin)

9:00-10:00 am Lena Engel (Erfurt/Florence): *Women's Mobility in Entangled Systems of Coercion: The trajectories of Taous Merouane between (post)colonial Algeria, France and Buchenwald concentration camp*

10:00-11:00 am Mathilde von Bülow (St: Andrews): *Algerian Migration to West and East Germany during the War of Independence*

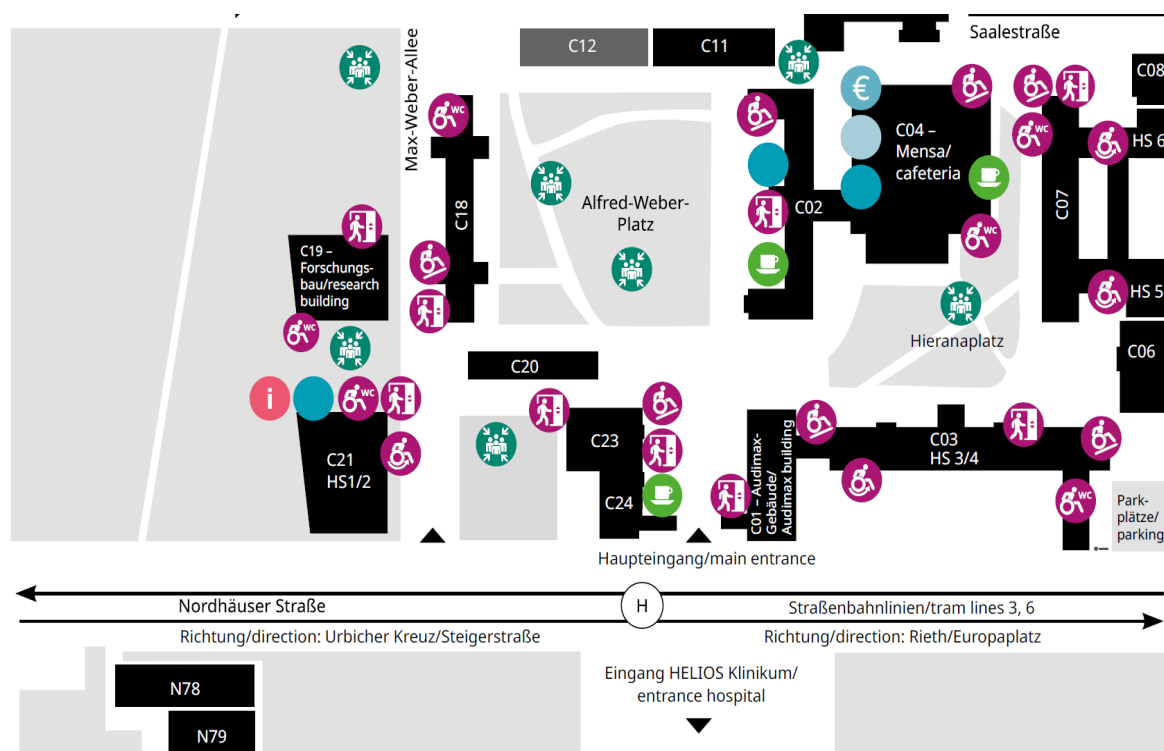
11:00-12:00 am: Jan Schubert (Florence): *Labour Migrants' Agency towards Return Migration and Their Dealing with Deportability in the GDR: Oral History of Algerian Labour Migration to Socialist Germany*

12-12:15 pm Final Discussion

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