



International Workshop “Africa and the Global Cold War”

IBZ Erfurt, Conference Room, 5-6 July 2018

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Program

Thursday, 5 July 2018

- 1:30-2 p.m. **Arrival**
- 2-2:45 p.m. **Welcome and Introduction**
Aychegrew Hadera Hailu (Mekelle)
Christian Methfessel (Erfurt)
Iris Schröder (Erfurt/Gotha)
- 2:45-4:15 p.m. **International Organisations and the Cold War in Africa I:
The United Nations**
Nils Schliehe (Hamburg): Portugal’s Wars in Africa: Decolonization, the
Cold War, and the United Nations, 1961-1975
Christian Methfessel (Erfurt): Ethiopia in the United Nations: Between
Afro-Asian Solidarity and Cold War Rhetoric
Comment: Michelle Mart (Reading, PA/Erfurt)
- 4:15-4:45 p.m. **Coffee Break**
- 4:45-6:15 p.m. **International Organisations and the Cold War in Africa II:
The Organisation of African Unity**
Michael Pesek (Hamburg): Cold War Crises and the Organisation of
African Unity: The Angolan Civil War and the Ogaden War
Comment: Thomas Spielbüchler (Linz)
- 6:30-7:30 p.m. **Wrap-Up Discussion Day 1**
- 8 p.m. **Conference Dinner**



Friday, 6 July 2018

- 9-11 a.m. **International Organisations and the Cold War in Africa III: Non-Governmental Organisations**
Aychegrew Hadera Hailu (Mekelle): NGOs and Relief Operations in Ethiopia in Cold War Context
Florian Wagner (Erfurt): Repatriations in the Horn of Africa: Governmental and Non-Governmental Initiatives in the Age of the Cold War
Comment: Sonja Dolinsek (Erfurt)
- 11-11:30 a.m. **Coffee Break**
- 11:30 a.m.
- 1 p.m. **Ideological Conflicts and Development Politics in Africa I: Building Socialism in Africa**
Iris Schröder (Erfurt/Gotha): The German Democratic Republic, Ethiopia, and the Making of a Socialist State
Anna Warda (Potsdam): The East German Ministry of State Security in Zanzibar and Mozambique: The GDR, the Cold War, and the Global South
Comment: Thomas Lindenberger (Dresden)
- 1-2:30 p.m. **Lunch**
- 2:30-4:30 p.m. **Ideological Conflicts and Development Politics in Africa II: Concepts of Development and Cooperation**
Fesseha Berhe Gebregergis (Mekelle/Gotha): The Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF), Socialist Ideology, the Concept of "Self-Reliance," and the Cold War in the Horn of Africa
Hubertus Büschel (Groningen): West-German Help for Self-Help and East-German International Solidarity in Africa: Cold War Governmentality and Development
Franziska Rantzsch (Erfurt): The Concept of "International Solidarity" and the German Democratic Republic's Recruitment of Contract Workers from Mozambique
Comment: Christiane Kuller (Erfurt)
- 4:30-5 p.m. **Coffee Break**
- 5-6 p.m. **Final Discussion and Concluding Remarks**
Introductory Note: Achim von Oppen (Bayreuth)

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