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WEDNESDAY, 24 MAY 2023

8:00 AM Welcome from the Organizers

Panel 1: Slavery, Bondage and the Causes/Effects of Environmental Stress
Chair: Philip Gooding, McGill

8:10 AM Felicitas Becker (Professor), Salvatory S. Nyanto (Postdoctoral Researcher), and Nives Kinunda (Postdoctoral Researcher), University of Ghent
"Environmental disaster and ex-slave livelihoods in twentieth-century Tanzania"

James Warren, Professor, Murdoch University
"Manila and the Transpacific trade: forced labour and environmental degradation"

9:25 AM *Short Break*

Panel 2: Defining Slavery in Indian Ocean World Contexts
Chair: Carleigh Nicholls, McGill

9:35 AM Meenu Rabecca Mathai, PhD Candidate, Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit
"Beyond binaries? Dutch slave trade in the Indian Ocean World"

Gwyn Campbell, Professor, Indian Ocean World Centre, McGill University
"Bondage, human-environment interaction, and the 1863 regicide of Radama II of Madagascar"

10:35 AM *Short Break*

Panel 3: The Environment as Method in Slavery/Bondage Studies
Chair: Anna Winterbottom, McGill

Anders Norge Lauridsen, PhD Candidate, University of Gothenburg
"Sihanaka slavers and the export of slaves from the ports of north-western Madagascar"

10:45 AM Beatrice Nicolini, Professor, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart
"Studying slavery in the Indian Ocean: new methodological approaches"

David Max Findley, Postdoctoral Researcher, Max Planck Institute for Geoanthropology
"Forests and slaving: towards quantifying the effects of raiding in the colonial Philippines ca. 1780"

12:05 PM Day 1 Closing Remarks

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THURSDAY, 25 MAY 2023

8:00 AM Welcome from the Organizers

Panel 4: European Slave Trades and Indian Ocean World Environments
Chair: Philip Gooding, McGill

Hans Hägerdal, Professor, Linnaeus University
"Slaving, colonial diplomacy, and ecological change in early modern Indonesia"

8:10 AM Archisman Chaudhuri, Visiting Professor, Rutgers University
"Environment, humans, and diseases: revisiting slavery in the seventeenth-century Indian Ocean World"

Jessica Hanser, Associate Professor, University of British Columbia
"Digitizing servants and slaves on English East India Company Ships"

9:30 AM *Short Break*

Panel 5: The Environment as Refuge and Resistance to Slavery and Bondage
Chair: Kerry Ward, Rice University

Stephanie Mawson, Research Fellow, Universidade de Lisboa
"Geographies of resistance to unfree labour in the seventeenth-century Philippines"

9:40 AM Kelly Brignac, Assistant Professor, Colby College
"Contesting French slaving in the southwestern Indian Ocean in the 1850s"

Mapule Mohulatsi, PhD Candidate, University of the Witwatersrand
"Desertion, desire, and the diets of the early Cape in post-Apartheid fishermen imaginaries"

11:00 AM *Short Break*

11:10 AM **Break-out Room Discussions:** "Breaking Out of the Past and into the Present and Future"

11:50 AM Day 2 Closing Remarks

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FRIDAY, 26 MAY 2023

8:00 AM Welcome from the Organizers

Panel 6: Literary Approaches to Slavery, Bondage, and the Environment
Chair: Archisman Chaudhuri, Rutgers

Gargi Binju, PhD Candidate, University of Tübingen
"Of coolies and cyclones: weather, indentured labour, and prisons in Mauritian literature"

8:10 AM Sritama Chatterjee, PhD Candidate, University of Pittsburgh
"Towards an archipelagic feminist worldmaking: reading gender and environment in Kama la Mackerel"

Gautam Joseph, PhD Candidate, National University of Singapore and King's College London
"Retranslating labour: small defections beyond citizenship"

9:30 AM *Short Break*

Panel 7: Long-Term Approaches to the Present: Legacies, Memory, and Climate Change
Chair: Veysel Şimşek, McGill

9:40 AM Gabrielle Robbins, PhD Candidate, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
"'We are like eggs against stone': contract farming, power, and freedom in Madagascar's Central Highlands"

Mattia Fumagalli Casati, PhD Candidate, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart
"Lake Turkana: menaces to survival"

Salvatory S. Nyanto, Senior Lecturer, University of Dar es Salaam
"Memory Sites, identity, and the changing landscapes of slavery in twentieth-century Tabora"

11:00 AM *Short Break*

11:10 AM **Whole Group Discussion:** "The Future of the SBE in the IOW Network"

11:50 AM Closing Remarks

Should you wish to register to attend this conference,
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