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## PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 21 September, 2016

Faculty of Philology, Institute of Romance Philology of the University of Wrocław, Bp. Nankiera 4 (Room 2.2), 50-140 Wrocław

- 08:30-09:00** Registration
- 09:00-09:30** **Welcome addresses**  
Professor Marcin Cieński, Dean, Faculty of Philology, University of Wrocław  
Professor Tadeusz Luty, Director, Academia Europaea Wrocław Knowledge Hub  
Professor Siegfried Huigen, Faculty of Philology, University of Wrocław; Academia Europaea Wrocław Knowledge Hub
- 09:30-10:45** **Session 1** | Session Chair: Michael North  
**Commodities 1**  
09:30-10:00 Dariusz Kotodziejczyk, Warsaw  
*Twisted Ways of Commodities in the Early Modern Era and the Positioning of Poland on the Map of Colonialism*  
10:00-10:15 Werner Scheltjens, Leipzig  
*Commodity Flows between Central Europe and the New World*  
10:15-10:45 Discussion
- 10:45-11:15** **Coffee break**
- 11:15-12:45** **Session 2** | Session Chair: Renate Pieper  
**Central European Export Industries in a Globalized Space and in the 'Longue durée' from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> Century**  
11:15-11:30 Torsten dos Santos Arnold, Frankfurt/Oder  
*Central Europe and the Portuguese, Spanish and French Atlantic, 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> Centuries*  
11:30-11:45 Samuel Eleazar Wendt, Frankfurt/Oder  
*Tropical Raw Materials for New Industries: the Impact of Rubber and Palm Oil in Wilhelmine Germany, 1871-1918*  
11:45-12:15 Klaus Weber, Frankfurt/Oder  
*Central European Geography, Foreign Trade, and the Category of Space in German Scholarship*  
12:15-12:45 Discussion
- 12:45-14:00** **Lunch** | Bazylia Bar, Kuźnicza 42, Wrocław

- 14:00-15:45**     **Session 3** | Session Chair: Pieter Emmer  
**Knowledges 1**
- 14:00-14:30     Maria Leuker, Cologne  
*Circulation in Spaces of Knowledge between Asia and Europe. Rumphius' Amboinsche Rariteitkamer (1705) and its Poetics of Knowledge*
- 14:30-15:00     Esther Helena Arens & Charlotte Kießling, Cologne  
*Locals, Knowledge and Force. Rumphius' Rariteitkamer and Kruid-Boek as Colonial Contact Zones*
- 15:00-15:15     Damien Tricoire, Halle-Wittenberg  
*Beňovský on Madagascar: the Self-Fashioning and Knowledge Production of a Central European Actor in the French Colonial Empire*
- 15:15-15:45     Discussion
- 15:45-16:15**     **Coffee Break**
- 19:00**            **Welcome Dinner** | Bernard Pub&Restaurant, Rynek 35, Wrocław

## Thursday, 22 September, 2016

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- 09:30-11:00**     **Session 4** | Session Chair: Dariusz Kołodziejczyk  
**Knowledges 2**
- 09:30-10:00     Theo D'haen, Leuven  
*World Literature and the Colonial World*
- 10:00-10:15     Sofiya Grachova, Washington  
*Physical Anthropology, Medical Ethnography, and Cultural Hierarchies: the Cases of Ukrainians and Eastern European Jews (1890s to 1930)*
- 10:15-10:30     Tamir Karkason, Jerusalem  
*Ottoman-Jewish Maskilim (Enlighteners) and their Austro-Hungarian Counterparts: A Case Study*
- 10:30-11:00     Discussion
- 11:00-11:15**     **Coffee break**
- 11:15-12:45**     **Session 5** | Session Chair: Dirk Uffelmann  
**Perspectives 1**
- 11:15-11:45     Madina Tlostanova, Linköping  
*From Resistance to Re-Existence: Postcolonial/Postsocialist Junctures and Decolonial Options*
- 11:45-12:00     Jan Surman, Marburg  
*Habsburg Postcolonial? Postcolonial Perspectives on Entangled Spaces*
- 12:00-12:15     Anca Baicoianu, Bucharest  
*Grounds for Comparison: the Postcolonial and the Post-Soviet*
- 12:15-12:30     Kinga Siewior, Cracow  
*Transfers of Power and Tradition in Polish Resettlement Novel*
- 12:30-13:00     Discussion
- 13:00-14:00**     **Lunch** | Bazylia Bar, Kuźnicza 42, Wrocław

14:00-15:30

**Session 6** | Session Chair: Theo D'haen

**Perspectives 2**

14:00-14:15

Raul Cârstocea, Flensburg

*The Unbearable Virtues of Backwardness: Mircea Eliade's Conceptualisation of Colonialism and his Attraction to Romania's Interwar Fascist Movement*

14:15-14:30

Agnieszka Sadecka, New Delhi/Tuebingen

*Reportage from the (Post-)Contact Zone: Polish Travellers' Take on British Colonialism in India*

14:30-14:45

Andrei Sorescu, London

*The Many Meanings of "Colonisation" in Nineteenth-Century Romania*

14:45-15:00

Benjamin Thorpe, Nottingham

*Eurafrica as a Pan-European Vehicle for Central European Colonialism (1923-1939)*

15:00-15:30

Discussion

15:30-15:45

**Coffee break**

15:45-17:15

**Session 7** | Session Chair: Dorota Kołodziejczyk

**Perspectives 3**

15:45-16:15

Dirk Uffelmann, Passau

*Tropes of "Central Europe": Anti-Colonialism and Strategic Realism*

16:15-16:30

Rosamund Johnston, New York

*Radio Empire? Czechoslovak International Broadcasting to Africa in the 1960s*

16:30-16:45

Anja Nikolic, Belgrade

*Joseph Conrad – The Clash of the National and Imperial*

16:45-17:15

Discussion

## Friday, 23 September, 2016

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09:00-10:30

**Session 8** | Session Chair: Madina Tlostanova

**Perspectives 4**

09:00-09:15

Miriam Finkelstein, Innsbruck

*Soviet Colonialism Reloaded. Encounters between Russians and Central Europeans in Contemporary Literature about Berlin*

09:15-09:30

Róisín Healy, Galway

*Reflections on Colonialism and Anti-Colonialism in Ireland and Poland*

09:30-09:45

Mateusz Świetlicki, Wrocław

*If There's War between the Sexes Then There'll Be No People Left" – (Post)Colonial Men and Masculinity in Serhiy Zhadan's Fiction*

09:45-10:00

Jawad Daheur, Strasbourg

*«They Handle with Blacks Just As with Us»: German Colonialism in Cameroon in the Eyes of Poles (1885-1914)*

10:00-10:30

Discussion

10:30-10:45

**Coffee break**

- 10:45-12:30**     **Session 9** | Session Chair: Mateusz Świątlicki  
**Migrations 1**
- 10:45-11:15     Mark Häberlein, Bamberg  
*The Strange Career of Johann Matthias Kramer – Migration, Language, and the Circulation of Information in Eighteenth-Century Central Europe*
- 11:15-11:30     Jochen Lingelbach, Leipzig  
*Polish Refugees in Africa – Central Europeans and Their Position within Colonial Society*
- 11:30-11:45     Julia Malitska, Stockholm  
*The Golden Cage: Imperial Politics, Colonist Rank and Marriage in the Nineteenth-Century Black Sea Steppe*
- 11:45-12:00     William O'Reilly, Cambridge  
*Out-Sourcing an Empire? German Migration, Colonialism and Discourses of Difference in 18Th-Century Hungary, Russia and North America*
- 12:00-12:30     Discussion
- 12:30-13:45**     **Lunch** | Bazylia Bar, Kuźnicza 42, Wrocław
- 13:45-15:00**     **Session 10** | Session Chair: Miriam Finkelstein  
**Migrations 2**
- 13:45-14:00     Helge Wendt, Berlin  
*Central European Missionaries in Sudan. Geopolitics and Alternative Colonialism in Mid-Nineteenth Century Africa*
- 14:00-14:15     Jagoda Wierzejska, Warsaw  
*An Eastern European "Sahib" in the Former Colony of the Western Powers: Andrzej Bobkowski in Guatemala (1948-1961)*
- 14:15-14:30     Andrew Zonderman, Atlanta  
*The "Steel Which Gives Them Edge": German-Speaking Soldiers and the British East India Company in the Eighteenth Century*
- 14:30-15:00     Discussion
- 15:00-15:30**     **Coffee break**
- 15:30-15:45**     **Conference closing**
- 18:30**             **Farewell Dinner** | Pod Fredrą Restaurant, Rynek 1, Wrocław



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