

Colonized Objects and Bodies in Europe

New challenges and new perspectives on the Decolonialization of Cultural Heritage
(Hybrid conference)

Würzburg,

**24th / 25th of
June 2022**

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Venue: University of Würzburg,
Zentrales Hörsaal- und Seminar-
gebäude (Z6), Room 2.013,
Am Hubland,
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Programme & Registration

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Programme

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under the umbrella of the Coimbra Group

Friday, 24.06.2022

9:30-9:45 Doris Fischer (Vice-President for Internationalization, University of Würzburg): Welcome

9:45-10:00 Julien Bobineau & Giuliana Tomasella: Introduction

Museums, Collections, Exhibitions between past and present
Chair: Guido Fackler (University of Würzburg)

10:00-10:30 Georgi Verbeek (Maastricht University):
Colonial History frozen in Time: From 'Royal Museum for Central Africa' to
'AfricaMuseum' (Brussels, Belgium)

10:30-11:00 Gaia Delpino & Rosa Anna Di Lella (Museo delle Civiltà Rome):
Decolonizing a Colonial Museum: Reflections on the process of designing a new display
for the colonial collections of the Museo delle Civiltà

11:00-11:30 Coffee break

11:30-12:00 Bernadette Biedermann (University of Graz): History of collections in Austria

12:00-12:30 Beatrice Falcucci (Università dell'Aquila-KNIR):
"Cento anni di polvere." Collections from the former Italian Colonies in University
Museums

12:30-14:00 Lunch break

Chair: Camille Lavoix (University of Würzburg)

14:00-14:30 Marketa Krizova (Charles University Prague):
Emil Holub and his African collections in European museums: Heritage of colonial
complicity

14:30-15:00 Nuno Coelho, Alexandra Balona & Melissa Rodrigues (University of Coimbra):
An Elephant in the Crystal Palace. A public program on the First Portuguese Colonial
Exhibition (Porto, 1934) and its legacy today

15:00-15:30 Coffee break

15:30-16:00 Guido Fackler (University of Würzburg): Reflections from a museological perspective

16:00-16:30 Giuliana Tomasella & Julien Bobineau: Conclusion

Saturday, 25.06.2022

Proposals and perspectives on decolonization, restitutions, repatriations
Chair: Stefanie Menke (University of Würzburg)

- 9:30-10:00** Priscilla Manfren & Marta Nezzo (University of Padova):
Decolonization: the power of the painted image
- 10:00-10:30** Emily Hansell Clark (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam): Decolonizing Audiovisual Heritage
- 10:30-11:00** Diantha Vliet & Claire McGinn (Utrecht University):
Broken Heritage Machines: affect and proximity to power in the decolonization of racialised European musical automata collections
- 11:00-11:30** Coffee break
- 11:30-12:00** Yann LeGall (Technical University of Berlin):
“White hunters” and their spoils of war: Retracing and reclaiming Ghanaian and Togolese artefacts and ancestors in German museums
- 12:00-12:30** Massimo Zaccaria (University of Pavia):
Restitution and Book History in Africa. A New Approach Toward the Recovery of Africa’s Printed Past
- 12:30-14:00** Lunch break
- Chair: Raphaelle Jung (University of Würzburg)**
- 14:00-14:30** Elise Pape & Aggée Lomo (University of Strasbourg):
Human remains from former German colonies at the University of Strasbourg –
crossed Franco-German perspectives
- 14:30-15:00** Jonatan Kurzwelly (University of Göttingen):
Calcified Identities: Essentialism and identity politics in restitutions of human remains
- 15:00-15:30** Coffee break
- 15:30-16:00** Rita Gaspar & Juliana Alves (University of Porto):
Words matter. Can database reframing enable new perspectives?
- 16:00-16:30** Julien Bobineau & Giuliana Tomasella: Conclusion

The conference will take place online via Zoom and in presence at the University of Würzburg on the Hubland Campus in the building “Zentrales Seminar- und Hörsaalgebäude (ZHS – Z6)”, Room 2.013.

Signposting will be visible in the building.

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