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INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS AND THE POLITICS OF DEVELOPMENT:
HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

Conveners:
Davide Rodogno (The Graduate Institute) and Sandrine Kott (Université de Genève)
FRIDAY 6 DECEMBER 2013

8:30 – 9:00 Welcome coffee
9:00 – 9:30 Welcome and Introduction

IRINA DU BOIS, President of the Pierre du Bois Foundation
SANDRINE KOTT, Université de Genève
DAVID ROODOGNO, The Graduate Institute

9:30 – 12:00 PANEL 1
Roots of International Development (1914–1938)
Chair: DAVID EBBLADHI, Tufts University
BRANDEN LITTLE, Weber State University
→ The First World War and its aftermath: The American experience
LUDOVIC TOURNÈS, Université de Genève
→ Philanthropic foundations and the exportation of development
VÉRONIQUE PLATA, Université de Genève et Université Paris X
→ The ILO technical assistance practices in the Balkans and Latin America
SIMON JACKSON, European University Institute
→ From imperial food relief to mandatory development: The politics of emergency in French Syria-Lebanon

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break
13:30 – 15:30 PANEL 2
Colonial Legacies
Chair: JP DAUGHTON, Stanford University
JOSEPH HODGE, West Virginia University
→ The internationalisation of development practices and discourses from the British Empire to international organisations
MARTIN REMPE, Universität Konstanz
→ Internationalisation of development practices from the French Empire to the European Economic Community
ALEXANDER KEESE, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
→ Back to the wall: The Portuguese late colonial state, the legacy of forced labor, the ILO and the war of words, 1953–1978

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break
16:00 – 18:15 PANEL 3
From Relief and Rehabilitation to Development During the 1940s
Chair: JESSICA REINISCH, Birkbeck, University of London
HEIDE FEHRENBACK, Northern Illinois University
→ International social work or international adoption? War children and child welfare initiatives in Europe and Asia
SILVIA SALVATICI, Università degli Studi di Teramo
→ UNRRA and its vision of development. Some empirical evidence on the Italian case
DAVID WEBSTER, Bishop’s University
→ The birth of the UN Technical Assistance scheme
MICHELE ALACEVICH, Columbia University
→ Development ideas and the World Bank: 1950s–1970s

SATURDAY 7 DECEMBER 2013

8:30 – 10:30 PANEL 4
Development as a ‘Postcolonial’ Project?
Chair: KIRAN PATEL, Maastricht University
DANIEL SPEICH, Universität Luzern
→ How decolonisation fostered discussion on development within international organisations
CORINNA UNGER, Jacobs Universität Bremen
MARC FREY, Universität der Bundeswehr München
→ Rural development and the World Bank
JULIA TISCHLER, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
→ Decolonising development? The World Bank’s role in the Kariba Dam project

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break
11:00 – 13:00 PANEL 5
Development as a Cold War Issue
Chair: MADELEINE HERREN, Universität Basel
SANDRINE KOTT, Université de Genève
→ From Western development projects in Eastern Europe to competing projects of development in the South
VINCENT LAGENDIJK, Maastricht University
→ ‘We can make money, but we can’t make water’: The World Bank and development diplomacy in the Indus and Mekong Basins
CORINNE PERNET, Universität Basel
→ Latin America as a testing ground for large development plans

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break
14:00 – 16:00 PANEL 6
The Many Faces of Development
Chair: BERTRAND TAITHE, Manchester University
HEIKE WIETERS, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
→ Development expertise for sale. CARE and the Peace Corps in Colombia; or the rise and demise of a public private partnership
MARIA LETICIA GALLUZZI BIZZO, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro
→ Brazil: From the League of Nations to the FAO (1932–1956)
THOMAS DAVID, Universität de Lausanne
DAVID ROODOGNO, The Graduate Institute
→ The genealogy, purpose and enforcement of WHO fellowship programs

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break
16:30 – 18:00 Concluding Roundtable
SHALINI RANDERIA, The Graduate Institute
KIRAN PATEL, Maastricht University
BERTRAND TAITHE, Manchester University
ANDREAS ECKERT, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin and Universität de Genève

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