PIERRE DU BOIS DOCTORAL WORKSHOP

Modernizing Landscapes: New Histories of Development and the Environment between Europe and the World

Friday 22 October 2021 | 9:15 – 19:30
Maison de la paix, chemin Eugène-Rigot 2, 1202 Genève, Room S8

9:15 – 9:30 OPENING REMARKS

9:30 – 11:00 PANEL 1
MORE-TAN-HUMAN AGENTS OF DEVELOPMENT
Chair: SUSANNA HECHT, the Graduate Institute, Geneva

MONA BIELING, the Graduate Institute, Geneva
→ British Environmental Orientalism and the Palestinian Goat (1917–1948)

JOSHUA THEW, the Graduate Institute, Geneva
→ The muse of Rural Assistance in Greece for Relief and Rehabilitation: Near East Foundation and UNRRA, 1944–1947

EFRAT GILAD, University of Bern
→ Pork in Palestine: Urban Breeders, British Bureaucrats, and Wartime Meat Production

Discussant: EMILY BROWNELL, University of Edinburgh

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 PANEL 2
COLONIAL (INFRA)STRUCTURES OF DEVELOPMENT
Chair: AMALIA RIBI FORCLAZ, the Graduate Institute, Geneva

MOE OMIYA, University of Zurich
→ Modernisations from the ‘West’ and the ‘East’: German and Japanese Urbanisation Projects in Tsingtao, China, between 1898 and 1945

AMAL SHAHID, the Graduate Institute, Geneva
→ Famine Relief and Public Works Construction in late 19th century Colonial North India

AHMAD FAHOUm, the Graduate Institute, Geneva
→ ‘Rendered Fit for Colonization’: Anti-malarial Water Projects and Colonial Development in British-Mandated Palestine

Discussant: ANTOINE ACKER, the Graduate Institute, Geneva

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:00 CONVERSATION AND Q&A
CRAFTING A CAREER AS A SCHOLAR

15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 – 17:00 PANEL 3
SCIENCE, EXPERTISE, AND THE DEVELOPMENT LANDSCAPE
Chair: SHAILA SESHIA GALVIN, the Graduate Institute, Geneva

MICHELE SOLLAI, the Graduate Institute, Geneva
→ The Scientific Conquest of the Empire: Agrarian Experts and the Discovery of the ‘Local’ in Italian-occupied Ethiopia

NATHALIA CAPELLINI, the Graduate Institute, Geneva
→ How to Build a Mega Dam on a Tropical Forest? Hydroelectricity Implantation on the Brazilian Amazon during the Military Dictatorship (1964–1984)

SIMON LOBACH, the Graduate Institute, Geneva
→ Enclosing Amazonia: The racialized landscapes of the Caribbean Amazon

Discussant: HELEN A. CURRY, University of Cambridge

17:30 – 19:00 ROUND TABLE
WRITING THE HISTORY OF DEVELOPMENT AND THE ENVIRONMENT: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE APPROACHES

With:
EMILY BROWNELL
ANTOINE ACKER
HELEN A. CURRY
and SHAILA SESHIA GALVIN

20:00 Workshop dinner for participants