



INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

Livestock as Global and Imperial Commodities: Economies, Ecologies and Knowledge Regimes, c. 1500 – present

Free University of Berlin, 14-15 July 2022

organised by the *Commodities of Empire* research project (British Academy), in collaboration with the *Commodifying Cattle* research project (FU Berlin / German Research Foundation)

Venue

Harnack-Haus of the Max Planck Society
Innstraße 16-20
14195 Berlin

PROGRAMME

DAY 1

Thursday 14 July 2022

9h00-9h30

Welcome Remarks (Corey Ross / Samuël Coghe)

9h30-11h00

Panel 1: Producing Livestock, Transforming Societies and Ecologies

Chair: Jean Stubbs / Discussant: Simon Jackson

- Kathleen Burke (University of Toronto): *A Tail of Sheep: The Politics of Meat and the Enduring Influence of the Khoikhoi at the Cape of Good Hope*

- Paul van Dijk (University of Amsterdam): *Grazing or Ploughing for the Empire? The Politics of Livestock Production in the Imperial Russian Peripheries of Livland and Ufa, 1861-1905*
- Derek Byerlee (Georgetown University): *A Global North-South Mediterranean Exchange 1891-1990: Pastures for Dryland Crop-Livestock Systems*

11h00-11h30: coffee/tea break

11h30-13h00

Panel 2: Histories of Breeding

Chair: Helen Cowie / Discussant: David Pretel

- Heinrich Hartmann (University of Konstanz): *Breeding Cattle, Engineering Society: the Modernization of Tunisian Agriculture in the Context of Postcolonial Informal Imperialism (1950s and 1960s)*
- Angélica Márquez-Osuna (Harvard University): *Colonizing Honeybees in the Tropics: Modern Apiculture in 20th-century Yucatán Peninsula*
- Andrew Craig (University of Georgia): *Improving the Pig: Hog Breeding, Biopower, and Agricultural Improvement in the United States and Britain during the Early Nineteenth Century* ([online](#))

13h00-14h15: lunch

14h15-15h45

Panel 3: Settler Colonialism and Livestock Production

Chair: Simon Jackson / Discussant: Helen Cowie

- Martin Kalb (Bridgewater College): *Beef Fantasies? Germany's Meat Crisis and Southwest African Cattle Farming* ([online](#))
- Nathan Carlos Norris (Cornell University): *Sheep Circuits in Rapa Nui, Southern Chile, and the Falklands or Malvinas*
- Efrat Gilad (University of Bern): *Cattle Ecologies and Economies in British Mandate Palestine*

15h45-16h30: coffee/tea break

16h30-18h

Keynote Lecture (open to the public)

Chair: Samuël Coghe

Reinaldo Funes-Monzote (University of Havana): *Livestock and Commodity Frontiers in Latin America since Colonial Times to the Present*

19h30-: Conference Dinner

DAY 2
Friday 15 July 2022

9h30-11h00

Panel 4: Trading Animals and Commodities

Chair: Corey Ross / Discussant: Jean Stubbs

- Zhengfeng Wang (University College Dublin): *Techno-power in Food Supply Chain: A Story of Eggs from China, 1910s-1930s*
- Bárbara Direito (NOVA University Lisbon): *Commodifying an “Inert Fortune”: Beef Market Control Strategies in Southern Mozambique, 1900s-1930s*
- Samuel Uwem Umoh (University of KwaZulu-Natal): *British Control of Cattle Commodification in Colonial Nigeria*

11h00-11h30: coffee/tea break

11h30-13h00

Panel 5: Histories of Consumption

Chair: David Pretel / Discussant: Samuël Coghe

- Tatsuya Mitsuda (Keio University): *From Colonial Hoof to Metropolitan Table: Imperial Biopolitics and the Commodification of Korean Bovine Bodies*
- Tasha Rijke-Epstein (Vanderbilt University): *Consumption, Value, and the Politics of Cattle Commodification in Socialist Madagascar (1960-70)*
- Oscar Broughton (Free University of Berlin): *Knowledge, Nation and Capital: The Development of Brazilian Beef in the Twentieth Century*

13h00-14h15: lunch

14h15-15h30

Final Discussion

15h30-16h00: coffee/tea

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