



PROGRAMME

Human-Environment Relations in Central Asia: Flows, Frictions, and Frontiers

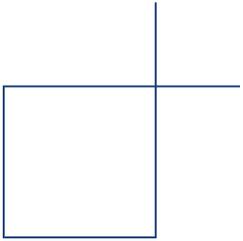
5th Annual CASNiG Conference
12-13 November 2024
Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO)
Berlin, Germany



Tuesday, 12 November 2024

- 09.00 – 09.30 Welcome and opening remarks
- 09.30 – 11.00 Panel 1: *Changing Environments and Resource Governance*
Chair: **Ulan Kasymov** (Dresden University of Technology)
Ines Stolpe (Rhenish Friedrich Wilhelm University of Bonn) – *Flows and Frictions: How Zud Curtails Educational Opportunities in Mongolia*
Irène Mestre (Institut Français d’Études sur l’Asie Centrale, IFEAC) – *Investigating Food System Transitions Through Biomass Flows*
Nafisa Mirzojamshedzoda (Eberswalde University for Sustainable Development/University of Fribourg) – *Analyzing Altering Water Flows in the Fergana Valley: A Case Study from Tajikistan*
Andrei Dörre (Free University of Berlin) – *Food Security and Dietary Patterns in the Tajik Pamirs*
- 11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break
- 11.30 – 13.00 Panel 2: *Environmental Activism and Resistance*
Chair: **Beril Ocaklı** (University of Vienna)
Jesko Schmoller (Humboldt University of Berlin) – *The Throbbing Heart of the Grassland: Turning Toratau into A Sacred Place for the Bashkir People*
Görkem Atsungur (American University of Central Asia) – *Environmental Activism in Central Asia: A Growing Societal Force for Political Change of the Region Despite Governmental Restrictions?*
Anna-Lena Hönig (University of Konstanz) – *Climate Movements: Climate Change and Protest in Central Asia*
Xeniya Prilutskaya (University of Naples “L’Orientale”) – *Activists, Experts and Urban Environmental Knowledge in Central Asia*
- 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch break (catering)
- 14.00 – 15.30 Keynote speech
Amanda Wooden (Bucknell University) – *How Glaciers are Changing Politics: Extractivism & Emotional Political Ecologies in Kyrgyzstan**
- 15.30 – 16.00 Coffee break
- 16.00 – 17.30 Panel 3: *Mobilities and Migrations*
Chair: **Aksana Ismailbekova** (Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient, ZMO)

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Jenny Tang (University of Cambridge) – *Frictions of Nomadism: The Bumps of Mongolian Contemporary Art*

Kamil Wielecki (University of Warsaw) – *Changing the Urban Environment: Medical Students from South Asia in Kyrgyzstan*

Barbara Meier (University of Jena) – *Mapping Out the Cultivation of Mobile Aspirations: Everyday Geopolitical Entanglements of Students in Kyrgyzstan*

Amantur Japarov (National Academy of Sciences of the Kyrgyz Republic) – *Mobility of Livestock Traders in Post-Soviet Kyrgyzstan**

18.30 – 22.00

Dinner

Wednesday, 13 November 2024

09.00 – 10.30

Panel 4: *Narratives, Discourses, and Imaginaries*

Chair: **Matthias Schmidt** (University of Augsburg)

Tatiana Saburova (Indiana University) – *Seeing the Map of Tien-Shan: In the Footsteps of the Expedition of 1902*

Verena Zabel (Albert Ludwig University of Freiburg) – *Atomic Flows: Nuclear Testing and Catastrophic Storytelling in Rollan Seisenbaev's "День когда рухнул мир" ("The Day the World Collapsed")*

Selbi Jumayeva (Indiana University) & **Alisa Verbina** (Media Arts Cultures, EMJMD) – *The Dusts* (2021) [video/multimedia essay]*

10.30 – 11.00

Coffee break

11.00 – 12.30

Panel 5: *Multispecies Entanglements*

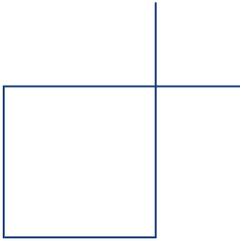
Chair: **Michael Spies** (Eberswalde University for Sustainable Development)

Federica Nardella (Independent Researcher) – *"...Meeting One Another: Between Them Is a Barrier" (55: 19-20): The Frontier as Distinction, Boundary, Bond in the Interspecies Partnerships of Kyrgyz Eagle-Hunting*

Simone de Boer (University of Gothenburg) – *Clean Yards, Clean Fields, Clean Hearts: Becoming Good Farmers in Kyrgyzstan*

Björn Reichardt (University of Fribourg) – *Ferments and Futures: Ambiguous Growth in Mongolian Pastoralism*

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	Anastassiya Kulinova (University of Vienna) – <i>The Postcolonial Perspective of Human and Nonhuman Worlds: Hierarchies and Silent Voices within the Karagandy Zoological Park</i>
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch break (catering)
13.30 – 15.00	Panel 6: <i>Frontiers of Knowledge Production</i> Chair: Jeanine Dağyeli (University of Vienna) Daria Volkova (Bauhaus University of Weimar) – <i>Omnipresent but Absent Water: Dissemination of Knowledge and Water Infrastructure in Aktau</i> Buğra Gungor (American University of Central Asia) – <i>Identity Formation Through Air Pollution: An Autoethnography from Bishkek</i> Pawel Demchenko (Scuola Superiore Meridionale) – <i>Permafrost and Gold Mining in Eastern Siberia: Changing the Knowledge of Frontier Landscape</i> Irina Fedorova (Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen-Nuremberg) – <i>Five Kilometers of Indifference: An Abandoned Village in Western Kazakhstan</i>
15.00 – 15.30	Coffee break
15.30 – 17.00	Panel 7: <i>Socioenvironmental Politics and Policies</i> Chair: Paulina Simkin (University of Augsburg) Kate Shields (Rhodes College) – <i>“There Are No Alternative Routes”: Plantation Logics on the Aral Seabed in Uzbekistan*</i> Louise Bechtold (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology) – <i>Pruning Rampant Feasts in Changing Environs. Crafting Policies to Govern Excess and Sociality in Kyrgyzstan in the 2010s</i> Iris Pakulla (University of Cambridge) – <i>Existential Politics: Dealing with Infertility in A Gobi Desert Mine</i> Wladimir Sgibnev (Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography, IfL) – <i>Learning from (Post-)Socialism?</i>
17.00 – 17.30	Closing remarks
19.00 – 19.30	Dinner at Kino Wolf (Weserstraße 59, 12045 Berlin-Neukölln)
19.30 – 21.00	Screening of film “Metal Bread” by Chingiz Narynov, followed by a Q&A session with the filmmaker* Moderator: Nikolaos Olma (Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient, ZMO)

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