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**Global Dimensions of Racism in the Modern World:
Comparative and Transnational Perspectives**

July 12-14, 2007

Conference Program

Thursday, July 12, 2007

13:00-14:45 Arrival and Registration

15:00-17:00 **Panel 1: Racism and Slavery**

Chair: Manfred Berg (University of Heidelberg)

Michael Zeuske (University of Cologne)

*Names and the Construction of Racism in a Non-Racial Society:
The Case of Cuba*

Peter Kolchin (University of Delaware)

Revisiting Some Historical Debates on Slavery and Race

Jennifer L. Morgan (New York University)

*Racial Thinking and Colonial Numeracy:
Gender and the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade*

17:00-17:30 Coffee Break

18:00-19:30 **Keynote Address**

Jürgen Osterhammel (University of Konstanz)

Global and Transnational Dimensions of Racism

19:30-21:30 Reception at the Heidelberg Center for American Studies

Friday, July 13, 2007

9:00-11:00 **Panel 2: Racism and Colonialism**

Chair: Dirk Moses (University of Sydney)

Wolfgang Seifert (University of Heidelberg)

Japan's Policy of Assimilation in Korea and the Problem of Racism, 1910-1945

Andreas Eckert (University of Hamburg)

Racism and Colonial Power in Cameroon

Heinz-Dietrich Löwe (University of Heidelberg)

A Family of Peoples: "Kulturtregerstvo" or Racism? Russia's Domestic Other

11:00-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-13:15 **Panel 3: Transnational Racial Ideologies**

Chair: Simon Wendt (University of Heidelberg)

Claudia Bruns (University of Hildesheim)

Towards a Transatlantic History of Racism: Interrelations of Colonial Racism and German Anti-Semitism

John David Smith (University of North Carolina at Charlotte)

"I would like to study some Problems of Heredity": Anthropologist Felix von Luschan's Trip to America, 1914-1915

Dirk Moses (University of Sydney)

Racism in Australia in the Age of the "War on Terror"

13:15-15:30 Lunch

15:30-18:00 **Panel 4: Racism, Nationalism, and Imperialism**

Chair: Gotelind Müller-Saini (University of Heidelberg)

Paul Kramer (Johns Hopkins University)

A World of Hate: Transnational Histories of Race-Making and Empire-Building

Christian Geulen (University of Koblenz)

Culture's Shadow: The Story of "Race" in the Long 20th Century

Christoph Marx (University of Essen)

Hendrik Verwoerd's Long March to Apartheid: Nationalism and Racism in South Africa

Saturday, July 14, 2007

8:30-10:45 **Panel 5: Racism and Genocide**

Chair: Boris Barth (University of Konstanz)

Dominik Schaller (University of Bern)

Ethnicity, Racism, and Genocide in Rwanda: A Transnational Perspective

Isabel Heinemann (University of Freiburg)

Conceptualizing the Racial State:

From the Nuremberg Laws to the Final Solution.

10:45-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-13:15 **Panel 6: Race, Caste, and Class**

Chair: Jennifer L. Morgan (New York University)

Harald Fischer-Tiné (International University of Bremen)

White Subalterns and the Racial Dividend: Race, Class and the Penal System in Colonial India, 1860-1914

Gita Dharampal-Frick (University of Heidelberg)

Interrogating Caste and Race in South Asia

Urs Matthias Zachmann (University of Munich)

Race without Supremacy: Racism as a Counter-narrative in the Political Discourse and Practice of late Meiji Japan, 1890-1912

13:15-14:30 Lunch

14:30-16:30 **Panel 7: Race and Racism in Asia and the Near East**

Chair: Sebastian Conrad (Free University of Berlin)

Benjamin Braude (Boston College)

Near Eastern Backgrounds to Modern Collective Identities

Gotelind Müller-Saini (University of Heidelberg)

Are We "Yellow"? And Who Is "US"? China's Problems with Globalizing the Concept of "Race" around 1900

Frank Dikötter (University of London/University of Hong Kong)

Global Discourses and Race in China

16:30-17:00 Coffee Break

17:00-18:30 **Roundtable Discussion**

With final comments by

Manfred Berg (University of Heidelberg)

Boris Barth (University of Konstanz)

Sebastian Conrad (Free University of Berlin)

List of Panelists and Chairs in Alphabetical Order

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