

Conference

Transnational Families and Childhood in Modern History: Perspectives and Challenges

Thursday, 2 September – Friday, 3 September 2021

Ruhr University Bochum, Germany

Veranstaltungszentrum, Room 1

Thursday, 2 September 2021

- 10.00-10.30 *Arrival and Registration*
- 10.30- 10.45 Sandra Maß (Bochum): *Welcome address and introduction*
- 10.45- 11.30 **Key Note I:**

Geertje Mak (Amsterdam): *Von Geschlecht zu Geschlecht: Gender, Children and Households as Key to (Post) Colonial Transformations*
- 11.30- 11.45 *Coffee Break*
- Panel I: Childhood and family in imperial contexts**

Chair: N.N.
- 11.45- 12.30 Susanne Quitmann (Munich): *Voicing Identity and Belonging: British Child Migrants in Canada and Australia (1869–1967)*
- 12.30-13.15 Sandra Maß (Bochum): *Belonging and Transgression. Multi-generational perspectives on trans-imperial families. The Case of the Kaundinya family.*
- 13.15-14.30 Lunch
- 14.30- 15.15 Roi Ball (Los Angeles/Cologne): *Child Displacement and Imperial Infrastructure: Work, Settlement, and Nationalization in the German-Polish Borderlands before World War I*
- Panel III:** **Modes of transnational family construction: marriage and reproductive technologies in the 20th century**

Chair: N.N.
- 15.15- 16.00 Christoph Lorke (Münster): *Contested Transnational Families: Intercultural Families and the Creation of „Belonging“ (1920s-1930s)*
- 16.00-16.15 *Coffee Break*

16.15-17.00 Isabel Heinemann (Münster): *Creating and Preventing Transnational Families: Dimensions of Reproductive Decision-Making in the 20th Century*

18.30 Dinner

Friday, 3 September 2021

9.30-10.15 **Keynote II:**

Machteld Venken (Luxembourg): *Transnational Families and Childhood throughout the 20th Century.*

10.15-10.30 *Coffee Break*

Panel IV: Transnational Histories of Adoption: Practices and Imaginations

Chair: Lasse Heeren (Bochum)

10.30- 11.15 Benedikt Stuchtey (Marburg): *Social and Cultural Aspects of the History of Adoption in Twentieth Century Germany*

11.15-12.00 Christina Benninghaus (Oxford): *Using and creating distance: The construction of adoptable children, 1870-1930*

12.00-13.15 *Lunch*

13.15-14.00 Lena Jur (Marburg), *Children of Decolonisation – Adoptions of coloured children in the United Kingdom (1950s-1960s)*

14.00-14.45 Bettina Hitzer (Dresden), *Transnational Identities? Perceptions of Self in Children Adopted from „Abroad“ (1970s to 2000)*

14.45-15.00 Coffee Break

Panel VI: Wars and the Creation of Families in the 20th Century

Chair: Constantin Goschler (Bochum)

15.00-15.45 Friederike Kind-Kovács (Dresden): *Lost in translation: children's trains after WWI and the challenge of intercultural communication*

15.45-16.30 Julia Reus (Bochum): *The challenge of belonging. Transnational child search activities after the Second World War*

16.30-17.00 Conference comment: Till Kössler (Halle/Saale)

17.00 End of the conference

