

Reinvigorating Explicit Comparison as a Method in Anthropology

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Conference Schedule

Friday, May 27

10:00 – 10:30 Conference Opening Conversation (Michael Schnegg & Edward Lowe)

10:30 - 12:00 Session I

THE COMPARISON OF STRUCTURES AND THE COMPARISON OF SYSTEMS: A META-COMPARATIVE COMMENT -- Guido Sprenger (Universität Heidelberg)

COMPARING TANGERINES -- Richard Handler (University of Virginia)

12:00 - 13:00 - Lunch Break

13:00 – 14:30 Session II

REGIONAL AND DISTANT COMPARISON RECONSIDERED -- Andre Gingrich (Austrian Academy of Sciences)

THINKING WITH COMPARISON IN THE ANTHROPOLOGY/ HISTORICAL ANTHROPOLOGY OF MIGRATION -- Caroline Brettel (Southern Methodist University)

14:30 - 15:00 Coffee

16:00 – 19:00 City and harbor tour with special emphasis on the colonial history of Hamburg, about 2.5h (2.5 km walk)

Evening: Group Dinner, La Vela - Ristorante, http://www.la-vela.de/

Saturday, May 28

09:30 - 11:00

SCALING ETHNOGRAPHY UP -- Michael Schnegg (Universität Hamburg)

ANTHROPOLOGICAL COMPARISON AND THE VALUE OF MIDDLE-RANGE THEORY -- Edward Lowe (Soka University of America)

11:30 - 12:30 Session III (Continued)

RESEARCH ACROSS CULTURES AND DISCIPLINES: METHODOLOGICAL CHALLENGES IN AN INTERDISCIPLINARY AND COMPARATIVE RESEARCH PROJECT ON EMOTION SOCIALIZA-TION -- Birgitt Röttger-Rössler (Freie Universität Berlin)

12:30 - 13:30 - Lunch Break

14:00 – 15:30 Session IV

GLOBAL SPORT INDUSTRIES, MIGRATIONS, AND COMPARISON OF SCALES -- Niko Besnier and Daniel Guiness (Universiteit van Amsterdam)

WORST, BEST, AND GOOD ENOUGH: LESSONS LEARNED FROM MULTI-SITED COMPARA-TIVE ETHNOGRAPHY -- Jennifer Hirsch (Columbia University) (with Holly Wardlow, Daniel J. Smith, Harriet Phinney, and Shanti Parikh)

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee

16:00 – 18:30 Different afternoon activities to choose from and to be arranged (including Alster boat trip, visit at the Rathaus, Art Museum).

19:00 Evening: Dinner at Schnegg's and Pauli's place

Sunday, May 29

10:00 – 12:00 Closing Discussion (Whole group, Schnegg & Lowe moderators)

12:00 - Lunch

Conference End