

'Village' and 'town' in Oceania

1 – 3 April 2016

Frobenius Institute, Goethe University

Friday, April 1, 2016

- 18:00 – 18:15 Welcome Address: Karl-Heinz Kohl (Director, Frobenius Institute)
- 18:15 – 18:30 Introduction: Holger Jebens (Frobenius Institute), Arno Pascht (University of Cologne) und Dominik Schieder (Goethe University and London School of Economics and Political Science)
- 18:30 – 19:15 Keynote: Michael Goddard (Macquarie University)
The town in the village and the village in the town
- 19:30 *Reception*

Saturday, April 2, 2016

PANEL I: URBANITY

(CHAIR: ARNO PASCHT)

- 09:00 – 09:45 Sina Emde (University of Heidelberg) and Dominik Schieder (Goethe University and London School of Economics and Political Science):
Urban middle classes, professionalism and the moral economy in contemporary Fiji
- 09:45 – 10:30 Daniela Kraemer (University of Toronto):
Planting roots, making place: young men in Port Vila, Vanuatu
- 10:30 – 11:15 *Coffee Break*
- 11:15 – 12:00 Marion Struck-Garbe (University of Hamburg):
Contemporary art as indicator for urban creativity
- 12:00 – 14:00 *Lunch Break*

PANEL II: INDIGENOUS CONSTRUCTIONS

(CHAIR: HOLGER JEBENS)

- 14:00 – 14:45 Hilke Thode-Arora (Übersee-Museum Bremen):
A tale of two villages: Niue's capital Alofi and the construction of 'village' and 'town'
- 14:45 – 15:30 Rebecca Hofmann (Ludwig-Maximilians University Munich):
Recreating Chuukese life worlds in urban spaces: the aesthetics of nature and social relations

- 15:30 – 16:15 *Coffee Break*
- 16:15 – 17:00 Keir Martin (University of Oslo):
Back to the future: modern villagers and backward urbanites in East New Britain
- 17:00 – 17:45 Rupert Stasch (University of Cambridge):
Singapore, big village of the dead: cities as figures of desire, domination, and rupture among Korowai of Indonesian Papua
- 19:00 *Conference Dinner*

Sunday, April 3, 2016

PANEL III: INTERDEPENDENCIES
(CHAIR: DOMINIK SCHIEDER)

- 09:00 – 09:45 Katharina Schneider (University of Heidelberg):
Town-village, post-crisis: access to Buka Town and inequality in post-conflict Bougainville
- 09:45 – 10:30 Thiago Oppermann (Australian National University):
The stalled dialectic of the John Teosin Highway
- 10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee Break*
- 11:00 – 11:45 Sebastian T. Ellerich (University of Cologne):
'Rural feedback': dynamics of musical exchange between villages and the capital in Vanuatu
- 11:45 – 12:30 Debra McDougall (University of Western Australia):
Paths away from village homes: education, mobility, and alienation in the late colonial Solomon Islands
- 12:30 – 14:00 *Lunch Break*
- 14:00 – 14:45 Bettina Beer (University of Lucerne):
Large-scale capitalist projects in the Markham Valley, Papua New Guinea – the end of the rural-urban divide?
- 14:45 – 15:30 Steffen Dalsgaard (IT University of Copenhagen):
Lorengau: getting global attention at the end of the world
- 15:30 – 16:00 *Coffee Break*
- 16:00 – 18:00 Discussion of future research and closing remarks