

20th Annual Conference of the
Emerging Scholars Forum of the
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Keynote speakers
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Navigating Past, Present
and Future Sovereignties

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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

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THURSDAY, JUNE 29

12:00 – 12:30

Opening Remarks by Dr. Marta Neüff, Advocacy Officer at the Canadian Embassy Berlin & Prof. Dr. Jessica Gienow-Hecht, Chair of the History Department at the JFKI

12:30 – 14:00

Panel 1 – Bodily Sovereignty and Freedom Rhetoric

Chair: Dr. David Bosold (Freie Universität Berlin)

- *Jan-Arne Hirschberger (University of Tübingen)*: Feminist Sovereignty(s) - Dimensions of the Toronto SlutWalk-Movement
- *Talia Vogt (University of Toronto)*: Settler Colonialism and the #FreedomConvoy: On Affect, Discourse, and Online Mobilization
- *Dr. Matt Sheedy (University of Manitoba/University of Bonn)*: Freedom to Wear Religious Symbols and the so-called Freedom Convoy

14:00 – 15:00

Light Lunch

15:00 – 16:30

Panel 2 – Historical Perspectives on Canadian Sovereignties

Chair: Prof. Dr. Jessica Gienow-Hecht (Freie Universität Berlin)

- *Simone Steadman-Gantous (Freie Universität Berlin/Humboldt Universität Berlin)*: The Constitution Express: Using Anticolonial Solidarity to Challenge Canadian Sovereignty
- *Isaac Wuermann (Freie Universität Berlin)*: White Men in Red Serge: Imperial Masculinity and the Mountie Myth on the Canadian Prairies
- *Kim Lea Brune (Freie Universität Berlin)*: Searching for the Truth Behind the High Arctic Relocation

16:30 – 17:00

Refreshments

17:00 – 18:00

Deidre Olsen (Canadian filmmaker and writer): Indigenous Sovereignty in Canada

19:00 – 21:00

Workshop & Reception at the Québec Delegation Berlin (for registered participants only):
“Science Diplomacy, Grants in Québec Studies and a Career Beyond Academia”



FRIDAY, JUNE 30

9:00 – 10:30

Panel 3 – Sovereignties in Canadian Literature

Chair: Alisa Preusser (University of Potsdam)

- *Nicole Koenigsknecht (University of Vienna):* Nurturing Resistance: Food Sovereignty in *Jonny Appleseed* and *The Seed Keeper*
- *Can Aydin (University of Dresden):* Hyperscenarios of Discovery in the Cyberwilderness
- *Sababa Monjur (University of Marburg):* Representation of Future Sovereignties in *Salt Fish Girl* and *The Tiger Flu*

10:30 -11:00

Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30

Panel 4 – Environmental Justice, Energy Sovereignty and Incorporating Indigenous Knowledge

Chair: Dr. Charlotte Lerg (University of Munich)

- *Laura Michler (University of Bonn):* Decolonizing Dualistic and Anthropocentric Structures: Environmental Sovereignty based on Indigenous Knowledge Systems
- *Emiliano Castillo Jara (University of Trier):* Competing Energy Sovereignties in Canada
- *Gabriela Kwiatek (Jagiellonian University Krakow):* Reclaiming Sovereignty: Strategies of Inuit Youth Suicide Prevention in the Canadian Arctic

12:30 -14:00

Lunch

14:00 – 15:30

Keynote – “As Long as the Sun Shines”: Treaty-Making and Sovereignty in Indigenous Ontario

Prof. Dr. Manuel Menrath (PH Luzern), joined via Zoom by Mike Metatawabin from the Fort Albany First Nation

15:30 -16:00

Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:30

Open Forum

Chair: Prof. Dr. Christoph Vatter (University of Jena)

- *Jula Eberth (University of Dresden):* Reliving the Indigenous Body: The ‘Becoming-Material’ of Indigenous Ghost and Zombie Characters
- *Afaf El yaakoubi (University of Rabat):* Le régionalisme littéraire dans les nouvelles « Un vagabond frappe à notre porte » de Gabrielle Roy et « Chauffe le poêle ! » de Germaine Guèvremont
- *Marie Hummel (University of Dresden):* Reclaiming Narratives: A Close Reading of Kent Monkman’s exhibition “Being Legendary” at the Royal Ontario Museum (October 8, 2022 – April 16, 2023)
- *Griogorios Iliopoulos (University of Thessaloniki):* Indigenous Reservations and Metropolitan Centers; Slow Violence and Its Dynamics in Thomas King’s *The Back of the Turtle* (2014)

18:30

Conference Dinner

