



# WORKSHOP

June 22-23, 2012, IAAW

A cooperation of the Seminar für  
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Beyond the Line-  
Cultural Constructions of the Sea

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## Program Friday, 22.06.

2 pm Keynote

- The Historian and the Fish: Of Archives and Categories (Georg Berkemer, Berlin)

2.45 pm Panel 1

Translocalities

- Approaching the Sea - Conceptual Gateways and Theoretical Implications (Katrin Bromber, Berlin and Brigitte Reinwald, Hannover)

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4 pm Coffee/tea break  
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4.30 pm Panel 2

The Ocean as a Contact Zone in Literature

- African-Portuguese Encounters in *The Lusiads* (Berhard Klein, Kent)
- Sea-Born(e) Migration and Atlantic Creole Culture (Ineke Phaf-Rheinberger, Berlin)

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6 pm Coffee/ tea break  
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6.30 pm Panel 3

Oceanic Life and Work Regimes

- Ideas on Open Water Systems and Occupation (Babacar Fall, Dakar)
- Life on the Water - Soldiers, Slaves, and other Subalterns of the Indian Ocean from the 18th to the 20th Century (Michael Mann, Berlin)

## Program Saturday, 23.06.

9.30 am Panel 4

Oceanic Turn in Literary Studies

- Horrors of the Deep. Sea Fiction and Empire (Gesa Mackenthun, Rostock)
- Seas of History, Seas of Waste (Elisabeth DeLoughrey, Los Angeles)

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11 am Coffee/tea break  
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11.30 am Panel 5

Literary Constructions of the Sea

- Africa's Asian Options: The Indian Ocean as Literary Contact Zone, Transcultural Memory Space and Transregional Discourse of Power (Frank Schulze-Engler, Frankfurt/Main)
- "Oceans of pain": The Sea as a Contact Zone in Angolan Poetry and Rap Music (Ana Sobral, Konstanz)
- Fabulating the Indian Ocean – An Emerging Network of Imaginaries? (Ute Fendler, Bayreuth)

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1.30 pm Lunch break - plenty of restaurants and coffee houses nearby  
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3 pm Panel 6

Pirates and Politics

- "The Imperial Pirate": Politics and Predation in early-modern South India (Sebastian Prange, Vancouver)
- The Political Legitimacy of Pirates: Coastal Diplomacy in Bombay, c. 1700-1755 (Derek Elliot, Cambridge)

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4.30 pm Coffee/tea break

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5 pm Panel 7

Transoceanic Connections

- The Politics of the Passport: East Africa and Beyond (Prem Poddar, Berlin)
- Africa in Indian Ink: Urdu Articulations of Indian Settlement in East Africa (Nile Green, Los Angeles)
- Transoceanic Nationalism. Connections between East Africa and India, c.1920-1963 (Margret Frenz, Sheffield)

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8 pm Dinner at Restaurant Honigmund,  
Borsigstraße 18, 10115 Berlin  
Walking distance from the IAAW.  
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How to find us



A workshop conceived by  
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