Islands, Regions, Empires:
Re-Mapping the Modern Mediterranean

InHouse & Guests Workshop, 12–13 October 2015

Venue: Käte Hamburger Kolleg / Centre for Global Cooperation Research (KHK/GCR21), Schifferstr. 196 Duisburg

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The historiography of the modern Mediterranean is fragmented into separate histories of port cities, nation-states and areas such as Europe, the Maghreb, and the Middle East. The aim of this workshop is to fuse these histories by focusing on Mediterranean connections during the modern imperial age (1798-1956/62). During this period empires and nation-states linked and penetrated the Mediterranean area in a much more intense way than ever before. How were islands, port cities and regions influenced by this process? How did they contribute to the creation of empires and nation-states? By analyzing these modern connectivities of the Mediterranean, we hope to contribute to a re-mapping of the area, and to a more integrated view of this global contact zone between Europe, North-Africa and the Middle East.

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Programme

Monday 12th October

09:30   Welcome and Introduction
        Claus Leggewie, KHK/GCR21, Duisburg / KWI, Essen
        Manuel Borutta, KHK/GCR21, Duisburg / Ruhr-University Bochum

10:00-11:15  British Colonialism and State Formation in Mediterranean Islands: Consequences in Historiography
            Sakis Gekas, York University, Toronto
            Chair: Julia Hauser, University of Kassel

11:15-12:30  French Connections: Algeria, Corsica and the Midi, 1828-1976
            Manuel Borutta, KHK/GCR21, Duisburg / Ruhr-University Bochum
            Chair: Markus Messling, Centre Marc Bloch, Berlin

12:30-14:00  Lunch at the Centre

14:00-15:15  Re-Inventing mare nostrum: Italy and the Mediterranean, 1830-1936
            Deborah Paci, Università Ca’Foscari, Venice
            Chair: Otto Kallscheuer, KHK/GCR21, Duisburg

15:15-16:30  Provincial Empire: Cyprus and the Eastern Mediterranean in the Nineteenth Century
            Marc Aymes, Centre d’Études Turques, Ottomanes, Balkaniques et Centraasiatiques / EHESS, Paris
            Chair: Malte Fuhrmann, Turkish-German University, Istanbul

16:30-17:45  Ottoman Port Cities, the Governance of Diversity and the Question of Cosmopolitanism, 1750-1920
            Nora Lafi, Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin
            Chair: Volker Heins, KHK/GCR21, Duisburg / KWI, Essen

17:45-19:00  Conclusion and Final Discussion
            Wolfgang Kaiser, Université Paris I – Sorbonne
            Chair: Manuel Borutta, KHK/GCR21, Duisburg / Ruhr-University Bochum

19:00  Dinner

Tuesday 13th October

9:30-12:30  Follow-Up