



38th Käte Hamburger Lecture

Climate and Capitalists: The Long History of Business and Global Governance of the Environment

Tuesday 17th November 2020 (19:30-20:30h, CET)

Online Lecture – Access link will be provided after registration for the event

The lecture takes up the 1972 UN Human Environment conference: the first example of the attempted global governance of environmental issues and climate change that foundered on the challenges of development and North-South antagonisms. That history connects Delos, the ancient capital of the Athenian League, with the club of Rome, and the New International Economic Order.

The talk's specific aim is to recover the importance of business and intellectual networks, in all their problematic historical messiness and stir them back into our understanding of the changing character of 'global' imaginaries. This is a history that reconnects debates about the environment and development, as well as the interdisciplinary not always visible connections between scientists, humanists, women activists, and businessmen. It evokes the longer history of the international governance of economic problems, and of economic actors in international politics.

Programme

19:20 - 19:30 Sign in to online video platform

19:30 - 19:35 Welcoming and introductory remarks:

Dr Nina Schneider

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19:35 – 20:10 38th Käte Hamburger Lecture

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Dr Glenda Sluga

Professor of International History and Capitalism at the European University Institute, Florence and Visiting Professor at the Department of History, University of Sydney

Discussant:

Dr Jan Jansen

Assistant Professor of Global History of Mobility (18th – 20th centuries), University of Duisburg-Essen

Moderator:

Dr Nina Schneider

20:10 – 20:30 Q&A with the Audience

20:30 Concluding remarks and end of the lecture