



Technology, natural resources and crises in the past and present of Europe and beyond

International Workshop, Tensions of Europe Network on Resources
Aarhus University, Centre for Science Studies, 8-9 May 2017,
Ny Munkegade 118, Building 1530, Room 232 (2nd floor)

Monday, 8 May 2017

9.00-9.30 Introduction

9.30-10.15 Sebastian Haumann, Darmstadt, Germany
Prone for Crises? How Resources Become Critical Resources
Commentator: Urban Wråkberg

10.15-10.30 Coffee break

10.30-12.00 Georg Fischer, Aarhus, Denmark
Rescaling Resource Crises: Iron Production Forecasts and their Consequences before the First World War
Commentator: Viktor Pál

Karl Bruno, Stockholm, Sweden
Whose Business? Swedish Foreign Policy and Commercial Natural Resource Interests in Liberia, 1955–80
Commentator: Ihediva Chimee

12.00-13.00 Lunch

13.00-14.30 Ihediva Chimee, Abuja, Nigeria
The transformative power of European technology in resource exploitation and use: Reflections on the oil presses and rail lines of colonial Nigeria
Commentator: Karl Bruno

Matthias Heymann, Aarhus, Denmark

Climatic challenges and water scarcity: International cooperation in the UNESCO Arid Zone Programme

Commentator: Jiri Janac

14.30-15.00 Coffee break

15.00-16.30 Urban Wråkberg, Kirkenes, Norway

Non-renewable energy recourses in the Fennoscandian north: Technological path-dependence and competing visions of change in geo-economic and environmental scenario-building

Commentator: Ole Sparenberg

Dag Avango & Anna Åberg, Stockholm, Sweden

Mining regions in transition: legacies of resource extraction in post-extraction futures

Commentator: Sebastian Haumann

17.00-18.00 Special lecture: Henry Nielsen, Aarhus, Denmark

Cold Atoms - The Hunt for Uranium in Greenland 1944-2017

19.00 Dinner

Tuesday, 9 May 2017

9.00-10.30 Viktor Pál, Helsinki, Finland

The Colonization of the Natural Environment in Austria-Hungary: Economic, Ethnic and Social Conflicts over Slovakian Forests in the late Nineteenth Century

Commentator: Georg Fischer

Jawad Daheur, Strasbourg

Expanding Railways, Forest Use Changes and Fuelwood Crisis in Habsburg Galicia (1880-1914)

Commentator: Julia Lajus

10.30-10.45 Coffee break

10.45-12.15 Ermioni Frezouli, Athens, Greece

On the historical co-shaping of water resources and technological infrastructures on a Greek island: The case of Chios

Commentator: Elena Kochetkova

Jiri Janac, Prague, Czech Republic

The Complex Water Management and Soil Improvement Scheme for Southern Moravia

Commentator: Matthias Heymann

12.15-13.15 Lunch

13.15-14.45 Julia Lajus, St. Petersburg, Russia

First World War food crisis, inventory of fish resources and discussions on new fishing technologies in Russia

Commentator: Jawad Daheur

Elena Kochetkova, St. Petersburg, Russia

Soviet Natural Resources and Technological Development, 1940s-1980s

Commentator: Ermioni Frezouli

14.45-15.00 Coffee break

15.00-15.45 Ole Sparenberg, Saarbrücken, Germany

The Commodity Crisis of the 1970s: Perception and Response

Commentator: Anna Åberg

15.45-17.00 Final discussion