

Global Fat Resources: Connecting Themes, Approaches and Narratives, ca. 1850-2022

Final Workshop of the EURES Research Network

University of Bergen, 23-24 May 2023

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Seminarrom 1, Øysteinsgate 3, 5007 Bergen

Monday evening, 22 May 2023

From 18.00 Pre-workshop informal get together (Cafe Opera, Engen 12, 5011 Bergen)

Day 1, Tuesday, 23 May 2023

9.00–9.30 Welcome and Introduction: Scope, Questions, Work Plans

9.30–11.00 Session 1: Global Connections of Fat

Sasha Gora (KWI Essen), *Cod and its Oil, Cuisine and its Supplements*

Frank Veraart (TU Eindhoven), *Sustainability Trade-offs in the Netherlands' Entangled Modernization, 1900-2020*

Matthias Heymann (Aarhus University), *Global Danish Plant Oil Activities and the Challenge to Write Connected Histories about Tropical Countries*

11.00--11.30 Coffee

11.30-12.30 Work session: Doing Research on Global (Fat) Resources: Discussing Challenges and Inventing Connections

12.30-13.30 Lunch

13.30–15.00 Session 2: Narratives of Fat Modernity

Claiton Marcio da Silva (Universidade Federal da Fronteira Sul), *Animal Fat Versus Vegetal Fat: Soybeans and the Imaginary of Healthy Diet in Brazil (1970-1990s)*

Shakila Yakob (University of Malaya / Marburg), *No Need to Be Poor: Unlocking the Potential of Palm Oil for Social Development in Malaysia*

Giovanni Tonolo (European University Institute, Florence), *Economic Interests and Connections behind Palm oil Development in Dahomey/Bénin (1890-1980 ca.)*

15.00--15.30 Coffee

15.30-17.00 Session 3. Fat economies and resource chains

Ines Prodöhl (University of Bergen), *Fat: Lubricant of Modernity*

Julia Lajus (Columbia University, NY), *Fish Oil Evolution as a Resource: From Energy-Rich Product to Vitamins and Omega-3 Source*

Ryan Jones (University of Oregon), *Socialist Fat: The Soviet Union, Whale Oil, and Antarctica*

18:30 Dinner (Naboen Pub & Restaurant, Sigurdsgate 4, 5015 Bergen=

Day 2, Wednesday, 24 May 2023

9.00–10.30 Session 4. Regional Dimensions of Global Fat-1

Henrik Knudsen (Danish National Archive), *Mining in a World of Fats: Greenlandic Perspectives on the Ivittuut Cryolite Mine 1854-1931*

Vasily Borovoy (University College Dublin), *Fat Extraction and Regional Governance in the European North of Russia, 1890 – 1920*

Elena Kochetkova (University of Bergen), *Waste, Fat, and Food Making Industry in State Socialism, 1950s–1980s*

10.30--11.00 Coffee

11.00–12.00 Session 5. Regional Dimensions of Global Fat-2

Peder Fuglevik (University of Bergen), *Milking the Market: Political Economy and Cooperatives in the Norwegian Fat Plan report of 1936*

Chad Denton (Yonsei University, South Korea / Umeå), *Alfons Knetsch and the Recovery of Fat from German Bones, 1914-1945*

Ole Sparenberg (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology), *Autarkic, but Global: Fat Supply and Whaling in Pre-War Nazi Germany*

12.00-13.30 Lunch

13.30-15.00 Discussion: Decolonizing (Fat) Resources – Towards Future Research

17.00 Dinner (Bjerck - Restaurant & Bar, Torgallmenningen 1A, 5014 Bergen)