

[Maritime Missions: Religion, Ethnography and Empires in the Long Eighteenth Century](#)

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May 24 - 25, 2019

Conveners:

Jenna M. Gibbs (Florida International University/GHI Washington, DC)

Sünne Juterczenka (Göttingen University/GHI Washington, DC)

Friday, May 24

9.00 - 9.30 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

Axel Jansen (GHI Washington)

Jenna M. Gibbs (Florida International University/GHI Washington)

Sünne Juterczenka (University of Göttingen/GHI Washington)

9.30 - 9.45 am Coffee break

9.45 - 11.45 am Culture and Communications in Catholic Missions

Chair: Sünne Juterczenka (University of Göttingen/GHI Washington)

Renate Dürr (University of Tübingen)

“Emotions in Jesuit Ethnography”

Eva M. Mehl (University of North Carolina, Wilmington)

“Expanding Boundaries in the Catholic Spanish Empire: Spanish Augustinian Missionaries in China, 1680-1724”

11.45 - 1.45 pm Lunch Break (self-organized)

1.45 - 3.45 pm Global Pietist Missions

Chair: Claudia Roesch (GHI Washington)

Markus Berger (University of Bamberg)

“The Globality of Providence. A German Minister in New York City and his Views on Mission, God’s Kingdom on Earth, and the American Independence in the late 18th Century”

Jean DeBernardi (University of Alberta)

“Pietism and the Globalization of Evangelical Christian Practice: The Open Brethren Movement in London, China, and Southeast Asia”

3.45 - 4.00 pm Coffee Break

4.00 - 6.00 pm Slavery, Religion and Humanitarianism

Chair: Jan Jansen (GHI Washington)

Justine Walden (University of Toronto)

“Antagonists of Empire: Slavery, Profit, and Italian Capuchins in Congo, 1641-1686”

Jake Griesel (University of Cambridge)

“Paving the Way for Dutch Colonial Missions: Jacobus Elisa Johannes Capitein (c. 1717-47) and his Defence of Slavery”

7.00 pm **Conference Dinner**

Saturday, May 25

8.30 - 10.30 am **Theology and Ethnography**

Chair: Peter Hanns Reill (University of California Los Angeles)

Jordan Kellman (University of Louisiana, Lafayette)

“Franciscan Natural Theology and the Early 18th Century Francophone New World Encounter”

Roberto Chauca (Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences, Ecuador)

“Spanish Missionary Debates and the Transatlantic Configuration of Amazonian Ethnic Categories”

10.30 -10.45 am **Coffee Break**

10.45 - 12.45 pm **American Maritime Expansion**

Chair: Jenna Gibbs (Florida International University/GHI Washington)

Sarah Crabtree (San Francisco State University)

“Whaler, Traitor, Coward, Spy!: William Rotch, the Quaker Ethic & the Spirit of Capitalism”

Darin Lenz (Fresno Pacific University)

“Immersed in Dependency: American Missionaries, Empires, and India in the 1830s”

12.45 - 1.45 pm **Lunch (at the GHI)**

1.45 - 3.45 pm **Missions and Philanthropy**

Chair: Elisabeth Engel (GHI Washington)

Ulrike Kirchberger (University of Kassel)

“Foodsoldiers of Globalization? The Pupils of Eleazar Wheelock’s ‘Indian Charity School’ in the Eighteenth-Century Atlantic World”

Manikarnika Dutta (University of Oxford)

“Sailors’ Homes in the Nineteenth Century: A Global History.”

3.45 - 4.00 pm **Wrap up followed by informal Happy Hour to continue the discussion.**

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