

### Age and Generation

Head of Research Unit: PD Dr. Katrin Bromber

**PD Dr. Katrin Bromber:** Veterans, Volunteers and Welfare in Colonial and Postcolonial East Africa

**Dr. Sana Chavoshian:** Warfare and Welfare: Trajectories of Sacralizing Elderly Care between Family, State and Trans-local Networks in Iran-Iraq Borderlands.

**Dr. Aksana Ismailbekova:** Future Building in Central Asia: Intergenerational Cooperation, Infrastructure, and Translocal Mobilities

**Dozent Dr. Samuli Schielke:** The Search for a Normal Life: House-building and Home-making between Egypt, Europe and the Gulf (Thyssen)

#### Dr. Sarah Jurkiewicz

Liminal Spaces: Young Syrian Mothers in Berlin-Marzahn: Housing and 'Home-Making' Practices (VW)

#### Associated/Affiliated

**Dr. Khaled Adham:** Intergenerational Inequalities: Urbanization, Capital, and Housing in Developing Countries

**Dr. Johannes Becker:** The Arrival of Refugees in Existing Migrant Communities: The Role of Generational Memory and Community Formation in the Case of Assyrians in Jordan and Germany

#### Dr. Jasmin Mahazi

Bahari Yetu (our ocean/genre) – A Matrifocal Anthropological Study of Oral Archives and Embodied Knowledge Practices Along the Swahili Coast

**Dr. Tabea Scharrer:** Transnationale Sozio-ökonomische Position(ierung) Somalischer Migrant\*innen

**Dr. Magdalena Suerbaum:** Parenting and Education Choices in Contexts of Forced Displacement: Syrian Refugees in Berlin and Cairo

### Environment and Justice

Head of Research Unit: PD Dr. Katharina Lange

**PD Dr. Katharina Lange:** Revisions of Rurality: Expertise, Experience and Exchange in the Production of Environmental Knowledge in a Changing Middle East, 1950s–2020s

**Lisa Jörns:** Urban Infrastructure in Pre-2011 Aleppo. Civil Agency and State-power Dynamics Between Water Provision and Waste Disposal (Normality and Crisis, BMBF)

**Lotte Knot:** A Feminist Political Ecology of Seaweed Farming: Gendered Livelihood Strategies in Aquaculture in the Western Indian Ocean

**Dr. Jacob Nerenberg:** Debating Extraction: Plural Visions of Infrastructure in Papua, Indonesia

**Dr. Nikolaos Olma:** Precarious Half-Lives: Co-habiting with Radiation and Ignorance in Mailuu-Suu, Kyrgyzstan

**Dr. Steven Serels:** The History of Poverty in the Southern Red Sea Region (DFG)

**Dr. Hilal Alkan Zeybek:** In the Company of Plants: Multispecies Care and Migrant Home-making in Germany (DFG)

#### Associated/Affiliated

**Prof. Dr. Shadia Hussein de Araújo:** "Green Halal": Multiple, Translocal, and Enacted through Encounters (AvH)

**Claudia Ghrawi:** Damascus 1946–1963: From the Reinvented City to the Populist Authoritarian State

**Juliane Schumacher:** Knowledge, Temporalities and Questions of Justice: Negotiating Coastal Futures in West Africa in Times of Climate Change (Andrea-von-Braun Stiftung)

### Representations of the Past

Head of Research Unit: Dr. Heike Liebau

**Dr. Heike Liebau:** Historical Icons and Representations of the Past

**Dr. Anandita Bajpai:** Entangled Wavelengths: Translocal Affect and Affiliation Among Radio Broadcasters and Listeners of German International Radio Stations in Cold War India, 1964–1990

**Dr. Veronica Ferreri:** Paper Trails and Dislocated Bureaucracies (Normality and Crisis, BMBF)

**Reyazul Haque:** Movements and Concepts: Production of Images of India in GDR Newsreels (MIDA, DFG)

**Prof. Dr. Sonja Hegasy:** Transforming Memories: Morocco in the Aftermath of the Truth and Reconciliation Instance

**PD Dr. Stefan Kirmse:** Eurasian Borderlands, Past and Present

**PD Dr. Norman Saadi Nikro:** Edward Said. AutoBiographical Exposures and Intersecting Pathways

#### Associated/Affiliated

**Florian Coppentrath:** Hip-Hop in Kyrgyzstan's Cities and Cultural Globalization (FES)

**Dr. Maria Framke:** South Asian Humanitarianism in Armed Conflicts, 1899 - 1945

**Dr. Nelida Fuccaro**  
A Cultural History of Oil

**Dr. David Leupold:** Relicts of (Another) Past: Crafting Soviet Urbanity and its Material Afterlife in Central Asia and the Southern Caucasus

**Dr. Ergün Özgür:** The Impact of Multicultural Policy Implementations and Acculturation Strategies on the Adaptation of Muslim and non-Muslim Immigrants from Turkey (Cases: Belgium, France, Germany, Sweden and the UK)

### Contested Religion

Head of Research Unit: Dr. Abdoulaye Sounaye

**Dr. Abdoulaye Sounaye:** Religion, Morality and Boko in West Africa: Students Training for a Good Life (Remoboko, Leibniz Competition)

**Adéjoké Rafiat Adétòrò:** Religiosity and Higher Education at the University of Ibadan, Nigeria, 1948–2010 (Remoboko, Leibniz Competition)

**Dr. Deepra Dandekar:** Indian Ocean Retrotopia on the Western Indian Littoral (DFG)

**Vincent Favier:** Preaching and Teaching: Religiosity, Knowledge and Performance at the Université Abdou Moumouni de Niamey, Niger (Remoboko, Leibniz Competition)

**Prof. Dr. Kai Kresse:** Contested Knowledge, Sociality, and Religion: Intellectual Culture under Postcolonial Conditions on the Swahili Coast and Beyond & 'Anthropology (in the North) and Theory (from the South)'

**Dr. Frédéric Madore:** Salafism and Pentecostalism on University Campuses in Benin and Togo since the 1970s: Lived Religion in Secular Contexts (Remoboko, Leibniz Competition)

**Bello Adamou Mahamadou:** Religious Dynamics and the Interaction Between Religion and Secularity at Abdou Moumouni University of Niamey, Niger (Remoboko, Leibniz Competition)

**Dr. Maria-Magdalena Pruiß:** Bend over Arabic Manuscripts: South Asian Muslims, European Orientalism, and the Academic Study of Islam

#### Associated/Affiliated

**Sohaib Ali:** The Contending Political Theologies of Pakistan's Transnational Islamic Actors: A Comparison of Mainstream Deobandi Discourses and Militant Islamism

**Dr. Daniele Cantini:** Scholarly Ways. Mobility, Knowledge Production and Research Capacity Building between Europe and the Middle East

**Simon Conrad:** Mysticism, Spiritualism, and the History of Religion in Modern Egypt

**Dr. Mohammed Hashas:** Contemporary Moroccan Thought: On Philosophy, Theology, Society, and Culture

**Rahina Muazu, PhD:** From Calabar to Berlin: Girls Trafficking from Nigeria to Europe and the Role of African Traditional Religion (Thyssen)

**Dr. Benedikt Pontzen:** Rethinking Religious Diversity: Living with Spirits in Asante, Ghana

**PD Dr. Dietrich Reetz:** World-Making from the 'Margins': Musim Cultural Actors from South Asia

**Dr. Besnik Sinani:** Post-Salafism: The Contestation of Contemporary Saudi Salafism (Thyssen)

### Research Synthesis and Crosscutting Topics

This section covers collaboration between the four thematic units that cuts across, or synthesizes, their work. It also includes the following projects:

#### Translocality

**Prof. Dr. Ulrike Freitag:** Translocal Cultural History of Saudi Arabia in the 20th Century

#### Georg Forster Research Award

**Prof. Dr. Abdulkader Tayob:** Writing a Discourse-oriented History of Islam in Africa; Developing Decolonial Strategies for the Study of Religions (University of Cape Town)

#### Associated/Affiliated

**Dr. Suaad Alghafal:** Public Space for Peace and Contention: Maydān al-Shuhadā' (Martyrs' Square) Shaping Political and Social Spheres of the City of Tripoli, Libya

**Dr. Michael Baers:** Fissures Within Visible Worlds: The Western Sahara Conflict, the Work of an "Informal Collective," and the Medial Organization of the Visible and the Invisible

**Dr. Talha Çiçek:** The Stubborn Mobility: Nomads and the Political Agency, 1920–2018' (AvH)

### Supplementary Research

#### Learning Intelligence (VW-Freigeist)

**Dr. Sophia Hoffmann (Head of Project):** Learning Intelligence: The Exchange of Secret Service Knowledge between Germany and the Arab Middle East 1960–2010

**Noura Chalati:** The Exchange of Intelligence between East Germany's Ministry for State Security and the Syrian Intelligence and Security Apparatus, 1960–1990

**Ali Dogan:** Intelligence Agencies as Preservers of Raison d'État. Comparison and Analysis of Collaboration between the Bundesnachrichtendienst and Jihaz Al-Mukhabarat Al-Amma from 1969–1990

#### Timely Histories: A Social History of Time in South Asia (ERC Consolidator Grant)

**Dr. Nitin Sinha (Head of Project):** South Asian Nights: A History

**Sagnik Kar:** Time and Delay: Gendered Temporalities in Bengal in the 19th and 20th Centuries

**Dr. Ritam Sengupta:** Timing Work in the North Indian Countryside, c. 1800s–1900s

**Minerwa Tahir:** Fixing the Future: Money, Morality and Disability in Colonial and Postcolonial Karachi

**Dr. Samuel Wright:** Early Modern Temporalities: Time and Culture in Theory and Practice

#### The Historicity of Democracy in the Arab and Muslim Worlds (Leibniz Competition)

**PD Dr. Nora Lafi (Head of Project):** Deliberative systems in the Arab and Muslim worlds

**Abdel Qader Amer:** British Colonial Authorities and Pre-existing Forms of Civic Life in Iraq (1914–1932)

**Ahlem Hajjaji:** The Local Deliberative Bodies of the Jewish Community in Tunis from the Colonial Period to the 'Arab Spring'

**Robin Schmahl:** A Tale of Two Narratives: Deliberative Systems in Egypt during the French Military Campaign of 1798–1801 and the Inception of the Modern Middle East

#### Individual Projects

**Dr. Malte Fuhrmann:** Developmentality in Southeastern Europe: The Evolution of Developmental Discourse in Bulgaria and Turkey in the Debate on Traffic Infrastructure (1908–1989) (DFG)

**Jamshid Hussein:** Re-Interpretation der familiären Sozialisation bei syrischen Zuwander\_innen in Deutschland. (Normality and Crisis, BMBF)