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Imperial Frontiers – Local and Global Entanglements

University of Münster,
February 9-10, 2026

Monday, February 9

Venue: JO 101, Johannisstr. 1, 48143 Münster

14:00 Welcome/ Workshop opening Panel I: Frontiers as Sites of Connection and Disconnection

14:15-15:15:
Chair: **Philip Bockholt** (CES/Münster)

Wolfram Drews (Münster/CES):
Imperial Frontiers between „Islam“ and „Christendom“
in Medieval Spain?

Jonathan Steuer (University of Freiburg):
Urban Frontiers and Empire: The East India Company in
Madras, ca. 1650-1750

Q&A 14:55-15:15

15:15-15:30 Coffee Break

15:30-16:30:
Chair: **Kirsten Kamphuis** (CES/Münster)

Francis Navarro (Ateneo de Manila University):
The Manila Galleon as an Imperial Frontier

Erik de Lange (Utrecht University):
Those who roam: Ordering maritime mobility in
imperial contact zones, 1799-1818

Q&A 16:10-16:30

16:30-16:45 Coffee Break

16:45-18:15:
Chair: **Kirsten Becker** (CES/Münster)

Alexander Samson (University College London):
(Im)mobility: Dialectics of Movement, Power, and
Resistance

Mario Graña Taborelli (CES/University College London):
Love Letters in the Cordillera: the Construction of Stable
Chiriguana-Spanish Partnerships in the Frontier of Tomina
in Charcas (Bolivia) at the End of the Sixteenth Century and
the “Ghost” Archive

Evgeniya Prusskaya (University of Marburg):
In-Between Empires: The Caucasus in the long
19th Century

Q&A 17:45-18:15

18:15 End of Panels

19:00 Conference Dinner at Pinkus, Kreuzstr. 7

Tuesday, February 10

Panel II: Frontiers as Sites of Classification

9:30-10:30:
Chair: **Sarah Albiez-Wieck** (CES/Münster)

Guillermina Oliveto (Universidad de Buenos Aires):
“Frontier of war”. Political use of a classification about
a space of diversity and connections. South Eastern
border of the Spanish Empire in America

Markus Koller (Ruhr-Universität Bochum):
The Bojana/Buna River - an Imperial Frontier
of the Ottoman Empire in the 19th Century

Q&A 10:10-10:30

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-12:00:
Chair: **Johannes Jansen** (CES/Münster)

Hayley Roy (CES/Emory University):
Nursing the Empire: Frontiers and Borders of
Healthcare in German Southwest and East Africa

Sarah Ehlers (Forschungsinstitut für Wissenschafts-
und Technikgeschichte, Deutsches Museum, München):
Medical Borderlands. Sleeping Sickness control and
border regimes in colonial Africa

Q&A 11:40-12:00

12:00-12:45 Final Discussion

12:45-14:00 Lunch on site

14:00-16:00 Internal Discussion with the International
Office on Future Ways of Collaboration with the
Centre for Empire Studies

16:00 End of Workshop