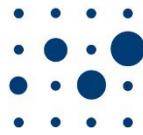


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Programme

Monday, 16 April 2018

11:00	Registration
12:30	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00 – 15:00	Opening ceremony Welcome addresses: Dr. Silke Bertram, Volkswagen Foundation, Germany Jörn Rosenberg, Consul general of the German Embassy in Kazakhstan Dr. Sergey Sklyarenko, ACBK, Kazakhstan Dr. Johannes Kamp, University of Münster, Germany
	Announcements
15:00 – 15:45	Dr. Sarah Robinson (Oxford University, UK): Exclusion vs Mobility: Limits to Ideal Free Distributions in Pastoralist Systems
15:45 – 16:30	Prof. Dr. Asia Khamzina (Korea University, South Korea): Agroforestry in mitigation of environmental degradation in Central Asia
16:30 – 17:00	<i>Coffee break</i> and group photo
17:00 – 17:45	Prof. Dr. Timur Dadabaev (Tsukuba University, Japan): Soviet memories, post-colonial societies and alternative modernity in Central Asia
17:45 – 19:30	Poster Session: Presentation of research outcomes from the funded projects
20:00	<i>Dinner</i>

Tuesday, 17 April 2018 – Reports from the funded projects

Session I – chair: Prof. Dr. Dr. hc. Norbert Hözel

- 09:00 – 09:25 Borsch T: Developing tools for conserving the plant diversity of the South Caucasus – an overview
- 09:25 – 09:50 Magiera A et al.: Scenario development for sustainable land use in the Greater Caucasus, Georgia – Findings of the interdisciplinary research project AMIES II
- 09:50 – 10:15 Neudert R, Salzer A, Allahverdiyeva N: Collective management and open socio-ecological systems - The challenge of sustainable use of common village pastures in the Caucasus region
- 10:15 – 11:00 **Coffee break**

Session II – chair: Dr. Anush Nersesyan

- 11:00 – 11:25 Kamp J et al.: Balancing trade-offs between agriculture and biodiversity in the steppes of Kazakhstan
- 11:25 – 11:50 Hauck M, Dulamsuren C: Ecology and socioeconomics of rural land use in the forest-steppe of the wider Altai region under contrasting developments of livestock numbers in Kazakhstan and Mongolia
- 11:50 – 12:15 Cyffka B et al.: Towards Sustainable Management of Central Asian Floodplains: Research and Capacity Building along the Rivers Tarim and Naryn
- 12:15 – 12:40 Conrad C, Lamers JPA, Muratova N, Dukhovny V: Modeling, GIS, and Remote Sensing for Discussion Support in Irrigated Land Management in the inner Aral Sea Basin
- 12:40 – 13:45 **Lunch**

Session III – chair: Prof. Dr. Alima Bissenova

- 13:45 – 14:10 Vorogushyn S et al.: Changes in Glacier and Snow-meltrunoff components in Central Asia and societal Vulnerability
- 14:10 – 14:35 Feaux de la Croix J, Suyarkulova M: The “Social Life” of a River: environmental histories, social worlds and conflict resolution along the Naryn-Syr Darya
- 14:35 – 15:00 Schetter C, von Boemcken M, Bagdasarova N, Ismailbekova A, Hojiev K: Local Security-Making in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan. The Production of Securityscapes by Everyday Practices

15:00 – 15:25 Rekhviashvili L, Sgibnev W: Theorising informality and social embeddedness for the study of informal transport. Lessons from the marshrutka mobility phenomenon

15:25 – 16:00 ***Coffee break***

Session IV – chair: PD Dr. Daniel Müller

16:00 – 16:25 Petrick M, Djanibekov M: Learning from change: Unexpected transformation processes in the Central Asian cotton areas

16:25 – 16:50 Gebel M, Olimova S: Opportunities and Barriers at the Transition from Education to Work. A Comparative Youth Study in Azerbaijan, Georgia and Tajikistan

16:50 – 17:15 Karrar H, Fehlings S: Informal Markets and Trade in Central Asia and the Caucasus

17:15 – 17:40 Timm C: Governance in Emerging Economies

19:00 ***Dinner***

Wednesday, 18 April 2018

09:00 – 10:00 An introduction to the work of the Volkswagen Foundation (incl. perspectives for the continuation of the Europe-Orient funding initiative)

10:00 – 12:30 Parallel workshop 1 – Writing a funding proposal (Dr. W. Klotzbücher, ICCK, Germany)
Parallel workshop 2+3 – Scientific writing (I. Bregenzer, Austria & F. Lauterbach, Germany)

13:00 ***Lunch***

14:00 – 16:00 Parallel workshops – Continued

16:15 Guided city tour for workshop participants

20:00 ***Dinner***

Thursday, 19 April 2018

Until 11:00 Participants' check-out and departure.