Doing Area Studies in the Polycentric Condition  
Cross Area e.V. Annual Conference 2023 and DIMAS Kick-off Event

Preliminary Programme  
16-17 November 2023  
Room 319, Altes Finanzamt, Landshuter Str. 4, 93047 Regensburg  
Registration and more information: [www.ur.de/dimas/crossarea23](http://www.ur.de/dimas/crossarea23)

Thursday, November 16, 2023

12:15 – 13:00  
**Registration, light lunch and coffee**

13:00 - 13:30  
**Welcome Addresses:**
- Prof. Dr. Udo Hebel – President of the University of Regensburg
- Dr. Doris Löhr – Chairperson of CrossArea
- Prof. Dr. Anna Steigemann – Chairperson of DIMAS
- Prof. Dr. Ulf Brunnbauer – Director of the Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies

13:30 – 16:00  
**Presentation of the Department of Interdisciplinary and Multiscalar Area Studies (DIMAS) and associated projects**
- Anne Brüske (Professor of Spatial Dimensions of Cultural Processes)
- Klaus Buchenau (Professor of Southeast and East European History)
- Ger Duijzings (Professor of Social Anthropology - with focus on Southeastern and Eastern Europe)
- Astrid Ensslin (Professor of Digital Cultures and Communication)
- Rike Krämer-Hoppe (Professor of Transnational Norm Development)
- Laura Lieber (Professor of Transregional History of Religions)
- Timothy Nunan (Professor of Transregional Cultures of Knowledge)
- Anna Steigemann (Professor for Sociological Dimensions of Space)

16:00 – 16:30  
**Coffee Break**

16:30 – 17:30  
**CrossArea Members’ internal Meeting** (Mitgliederversammlung) – Room 017 (Ground floor)

16:30 – 17:15  
**DIMAS Meet & Greet** – Room 319

17:15 – 18:15  
**Reception**

18:15 – 19:45  
**Keynote Talk** | Vincent Bevins – The Unfinished Decade: Protest Tactics, Revolutionary Situations  
Chaired by Timothy Nunan

20:00  
**Dinner** for CrossArea members and organizers:  
Alte Kuchl, Am Königshof 2, 93047 Regensburg
Friday, November 17, 2023

09:00 - 10:40  
**Early Career Researcher Panel**

- **Yusra Abdullahi** (Leiden) - Ghanaian, Ugandan, and Zimbabwean Agency at the United Nations' High Table: A Comparative Study of African Activism at the UN
- **Miriam Kreuzer** (Vienna) - Caring Infrastructures: Urbane Infrastrukturen transformativ gestalten
- **Yuxin Li** (Essen-Duisburg) - “Social Health Insurance Diffusion in the People’s Republic of China from 1979 to 2012 – Policy Learning and Global Connectivity
- **Anastasiia Marsheva** (JLU Gießen) - Cross-regional Approach to Migration Studies: Researching Panethnicity among ‘Eastern European’ (Post)Migrants in Germany and the Czech Republic
- **Natali Rauscher** (Heidelberg) - Natural Disasters in the United States: What role do media discourses and disaster narratives play in the USA’s vulnerability crisis?
- **Clare Richardson** (FU Berlin) - Stokely Carmichael and Amilcar Cabral: Black Power and the limits of U.S. solidarity with Portuguese Africa

Chaired by: Susan Hodgett (University of East Anglia, Norwich)

10:40 – 11:00  
**Coffee Break**

11:00 – 11:30  
**Project Presentation** | Kathleen Schlütter & Carolina Rozo Higuera (Leipzig) - The Production of World Knowledge Transformed

11:30 – 13:00  
**Discussion** | The Future of the Archive(s): Digital Infrastructures Across Regions

- **Peter Altekrüger** (Ibero-American Institute, Berlin)
- **Cassandra Mark-Thiesen** (University of Bayreuth)
- **Arnost Stanzel** (Bavaria State Library – BSB, Munich)
- **Cosima Wagner** (FU Berlin)

Chaired by: TBA

13:00 - 14:00  
**Farewell buffet Lunch**