



Workshop program

Contested millets in Africa and India

18-19 May 2018

AT THE FROBENIUS INSTITUTE

Friday, May 18th (room 1.418)

9.00 – 11.00 Welcome and introduction (15min)
Funding possibilities (15min)

Session 1: Archaeology and Paleoethnobotany: project proposal

Katharina Neumann & Barbara Eichhorn:

The adoption, persistence and abandonment of millets across sub-Saharan Africa – Late Holocene archaeobotanical evidence of ‘radical changes’ and ‘radical continuities’ (20min + 10min discussion)

René Cappers:

Economic criteria related to crop processing and food preparation (20min + 10min discussion)

Discussion: What are the Big Questions and methods? (30min)

11.00 – 11.15 *Coffee Break*

11.15 – 12.45 Session 2: Ecology: project proposal

Karen Hahn:

Vegetation ecological and ethnobotanical research in West African Savannas (20min + 10min discussion)

Discussion: What are the Big Questions and methods? (30min)

Session 3: Social and Cultural Anthropology: project proposals

Mamadou Diawara & Nick Gestrich:

Research ideas: “A person is nothing but *ḥḥ*”: Learning from the past listening to the field (20min + 10min discussion)

12.45 – 14.00 *Lunch at “Sturm und Drang”*

14.00 – 15.30 Hans Peter Hahn:

Why local knowledge about millet is shrinking. Evidence of the forgetfulness of West Africa's farmers through comparing documents from early 20th c. with ethnographic data (20min + 10min discussion)



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Roland Hardenberg:

State Rice and Local Millets in the Highlands of Middle India
(20min + 10min discussion)

Peter Berger:

Contested millet on the Koraput plateau of Odisha (India)
(20min + 10min discussion)

15.30 – 15.45 *Coffee Break*

15.45 – 16.45 Susanne Epple and Sophia Thubauville :
Millets and Maize. Dynamics around Ethiopia's competing grains
(20min + 10min discussion)

Discussion: What are the Big Questions and methods? (30min)

18.00 *Dinner at "La Boveda"*

Saturday, May 19th (room 1.418)

9.00 – 11.15 **Session 4: Common ground (90min)**
What are the common questions? What is the bottom line?
Who is missing?

I. working groups (30min)

II. presentation (20min)

III. discussion (40min)

Session 5: Pilot studies (45min)

11.15 – 11.30 *Coffee Break*

11.30 – 13.00 **Session 6: Funding and future (90min)**

• Funding possibilities (30min)

• Conference preparation (30min)

• Upcoming time schedule (30min)

13.00 *Lunch at "Sturm und Drang"*