# THE BONN CENTER FOR **DEPENDENCY AND SLAVERY STUDIES**

hosts the Cluster of Excellence "Beyond Slavery and Freedom", which aims to overcome the binary opposition of "slavery versus freedom". For that we approach the phenomenon of slavery and other types of strong asymmetrical dependencies (e.g. debt bondage, convict labor, tributary labor, servitude, serfdom, and domestic work as well as forms of wage labor and various types of patronage) from methodologically and theoretically distinct perspectives.

The research cluster is part of the framework of the Excellence Strategy of the Federal Government and the Länder and is free and independent in the selection and realization of its research projects.

Our Cluster of Excellence is a joint project of scholars from the fields of Anthropology, Archaeology, History, Law, Literary Studies, Area Studies (including The History of the Islamicate World, Japanese and Chinese Studies, Tibetan Studies), Sociology and Theology. We propose "strong asymmetrical dependency" as a new key concept that includes all forms of bondage across time and space.

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# **SEMANTICS AND LEXICAL FIELDS**

OF SLAVERY & OTHER FORMS OF ASYMMETRICAL DEPENDENCIES

**WORKSHOP** MARCH 5-6, 2020



# THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020

## 10-10:30 AM

Welcome and Introduction

Jeannine Bischoff (Tibetan Studies)

Stephan Conermann

(History of the Islamicate World)

## 10:30-11:15 AM

Indefinite Terms? Social Groups in Early Bronze Age China (c. Thirteenth–Eighth Centuries B.C.E.) and Strong Asymmetrical Dependency

> Susanne Adamski (Chinese Studies)

#### 11:15-12 NOON

Highly Formalized but Rather Informal? Language(s) of Labor in Pharaonic Egypt

Ludwig Morenz (Egyptology)

## 12-12:30 PM

Coffee Break

# 12:30-1:15 PM

The Semantic Field of "servant/servitude" in the Old Testament

Ulrich Berges

(Old Testament Studies)

#### 1:15-2:15 PM

Lunch

# 2:15-3 PM

Dependent Rural Population in Archaic and Classical Greece: Free Persons, Slaves or Something between Free Persons and Slaves?

Winfried Schmitz
(Ancient History)

# THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020

## 3-3:45 PM

Terms of Dependency in Late Antique Latin Law Texts

#### Martin Schermaier

(Roman Law and Comparative Legal History)

## 3:45-4:15 PM

Coffee Break

# 4:15-5 PM

Visualizations and Expressions of Dependencies in Classic Maya Narratives: A Semiotic Approach

**Christian Prager** 

(Anthropology of the Americas)

## 7 PM

Dinner

# FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2020

# 10-10:45 AM

Forms of Strong Asymmetrical Dependency in *Maliki* Law: Normative Perspectives

Anna Kollatz

(History of the Islamicate World)

## 10:45-11:30 AM

What Is a "Mamluk"? Semantic Approaches

Stephan Conermann

(History of the Islamicate World)

# 11:30-12 NOON

Coffee Break

# FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2020

# 12-12:45 PM

Modes of Manumission: What Terms Used for Emancipation Tell Us about Dependencies in Ottoman Society

> Veruschka Wagner (Ottoman Studies)

#### 12:45-1:45 PM

Lunch

## 1:45-2:30 PM

Between Discrediting and Acceptance: Covering *Kazakh* and Central Asian Forms of Strong Social Asymmetrical Dependencies in the Russian Imperial Administrative Documents in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries

#### Elena Smolarz

(History of the Islamicate World)

#### 2:30-3:15 PM

Contemporary and Modern Translations of Terms for Dependent People in Early Modern Russian Records

Hans-Heinrich Nolte

(East European History)

## 3:15-3:45 PM

Coffee Break

#### 3:45-4:30 PM

Asymmetrical Dependencies in Tibetan Societies: An Inventory of Words and Phrases

Jeannine Bischoff (Tibetan Studies)

4:30-5 PM

Wrap up