

Keynotes, Plenaries & Invited Lectures

- 2024 'A New Spice in the Mix: Affective Food Cultures' (hosted by Prof. Dr. Kylie Crane), Chair of Cultural Studies, University of Rostock, January 15.
- 2024 'At Home in Exile: A Migrant Manifesto' (hosted by Prof. Dr. Vanessa Agnew and Prof. Dr. Kader Konuk), *Academy in Exile*, TU Dortmund, January 10.
- 2023 'The Climate of Migration', *Multidisciplinary Environmental Studies in the Humanities*, University of Cologne, December 14.
- 2023 'Rootless Cosmopolitanism' (hosted by Prof. Dr. Michael C. Frank), Department of English, University of Zurich, Dec 13.
- 2023 'Vulnerability beyond Victimhood' (hosted by Prof. Dr. Pramod Nayar), UNESCO Chair for Vulnerability Studies Series, University of Hyderabad, India, November 8.
- 2023 'Groundless Existence: Ethics and Agency in Contemporary Migrant Literature' (hosted by Prof. Dr. Harshana Rambukwella), New York University Abu Dhabi, October 3-4.
- 2023 'At Home on the Road: The Migrant Ethics of Unbelonging', Department of Cultural Studies Seminar, English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad, India, July 28.
- 2023 'Negotiating Proximity', Roundtable (with AbdulMaliq Simone, Russ West-Pavlov, et al.) Department of Anglophone Literatures, University of Tübingen, July 10.
- 2023 'The Right to Un-belong: Ethics and Aesthetics of Migrant Literature', Transculturalisms Seminar Series, Sorbonne Université, Paris, May 25.
- 2023 **Keynote**, 'Familiar Foes: Lovers, Rebels, and the Intimacy of Violence in Global Anglophone Literatures', Representations of Violence in Literature and Other Media Conference, Ghent University, Belgium, May 5.
- 2023 'Vagrant Lives: The Poetics and Politics of Contemporary Migration', Research Center for Postcolonial Studies (CEREP) Seminar, The University of Liège, May 4.
- 2023 **Plenary**, 'The Belated Arrival of the Messiah' *Inkarnationswochenende* (hosted by Tom McCarthy) The DAAD Artists-in-Berlin Program, Berlin, March 31 – April 1.
- 2023 'Of Subalterns and Storytellers: Agency and Victimhood in Postcolonial Studies', Decolonializing Knowledge Lecture Series (hosted by Prof. Dr. Greta Olsen), University of Giessen, January 23.

- 2022 **Plenary**, 'The Conflict of Democracies' (with Harsh Mander, Priyamvada Gopal and Nandini Sunder), St. Paul's Church, Frankfurt am Main, November 10–11.
- 2022 **Plenary**, 'Opening Address: Global South and the Frankfurt School' , The Postcolonial Studies Association of the Global South (PSAGS) Annual Meeting, Institute of Language Studies and Research (ILSR), Kolkata, India, December 11.
- 2022 Discussant, 'Narrating Terror: Boko Haram Terrorism in Literature, Film, and Media (Part I and II)', Lagos Studies Association Conference, University of Lagos, June 25.
- 2022 **Plenary**, 'The Emotional Logic of Postsecular Populism', Post-Truth Politics: Silencing, Violence and Resistance in Public Debate Symposium, University of Birmingham, September 28.
- 2022 Workshop Lead (with Ananya Kabir and Ari Gautier) 'Postcolonial Methods Lab', Configurations of Film, Graduiertenkolleg, Frankfurt, July 21–22.
- 2021 'Bonds of Terror: Orientalist Construction of India through Violence', Contemporary Indian English Writing Seminar (hosted by Prof. Dr. Jan Rupp), University of Wuppertal, June 15.
- 2021 'Salman Rushdie and the Performance of (Cinematic) Autobiography', Masks Lecture Series, Department of Film and Media, University of Mainz, February 12.
- 2019 **Plenary**, 'Global Humanities Curriculum Workshop' (hosted by Homi K. Bhabha), **Volkswagen Foundation**, Herrenhausen, Hannover, September 8–9.
- 2019 **Plenary**, 'The Novel of Myanmar', Oxford History of The Novel, South and Southeast Asia Symposium, Anthony Burgess Foundation, Manchester, June 25.
- 2019 'Precarious Riches: Oil, Insurgency and Violence in Nigerian Literature', Postcolonial Precarity Conference, Auro University, Surat, India, January 27–29.
- 2018 'Postsecular Longings?', Department of Sociology Monthly Seminar Series, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka, January 23.
- 2018 'Orientalism and Terrorism: Contemporary Perspectives', Postcolonial Literary Studies Seminar (hosted by Ana Sobral) University of Zurich, December 13.
- 2018 'Public Religiosity and Postsecularism in Indian Cinema', Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad, India, January 30.
- 2018 'Current Issues in Teaching India', Lehrerfortbildung/ Teacher Education Workshop, University of Bonn, November 13.

- 2017 **Plenary**, 'Playing God: Gurus, Yogis, and Postsecular Cults'. Performing Postcolonialisms, GAPS Summer Academy, Goethe University Frankfurt, September 4–8.
- 2017 Discussant, 'MSA Forward: Doctoral Students Panel', Memory Studies Association Second Conference, Copenhagen, December 14–16.
- 2016 **Keynote**, 'Towards Post-Terrorism? From Orientalism to Divine Violence', Framing Violence: A Multidisciplinary Symposium on Theorizing Frames, John F. Kennedy Institute, Berlin, July 1–2.
- 2016 Discussant, New Directions and Challenges in Cultural Memory Studies: Past, Present, Future, GCSC University of Giessen, June 15.
- 2016 'Cultures of Death: From Biopolitics to Thanatopolitics', in Cultures of Fear Seminar (hosted by Prof. Dr. Micheal Frank), University of Düsseldorf, July 13.
- 2016 'Marxism, Mass Movements and Ethnic Solidarity in Sri Lanka's JVP Uprising', Youth and Socialism Transnational Perspectives Conference, University of Zurich, May 6-8.
- 2016 'Towards Post-Terrorism: Ecology, Insurgency and Cultures of Violence in Postcolonial Literature' DFG Network 'Environmental Crisis and the Transitional Imagination' (hosted by Prof. Dr. Timo Müller), **Rachel Carson Center**, Munich, February 20.
- 2015 'Terrorism and Political Violence: A Critical Introduction', Monthly Seminar Series, UWC Robert Bosch College, Freiburg, April 27.
- 2015 Summer School Lead, 'Energy Security and the War on Terror: Ecology and Insurgency in the Postcolonial World', World Border Stories: Narratives of Peace, Conflict and Communication in the 20th and 21st Centuries, GAPS Summer Academy, University of Augsburg, September 7–11.
- 2014 Workshop Lead, 'Towards Post-Terrorism', German National Academic Foundation/**Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes Sommerakademie**, Greifswald, August 31 - September 13.
- 2014 'Transcultural Approaches to Teaching Terrorism in the Post-9/11 Context', Lehrerfortbildung/Teacher Education Workshop, Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg, November 21–23.

- 2013 Margins of India: Kancha Ilaiah's Postcolonial Nationalogues', Citizenship, Narrative and Neo/colonial Histories Conference, Open University London, November 18.
- 2013 **Plenary**, India Through Orientalist Imagination, Macht_Ego_Religion Conference, Romanische Kulturwissenschaft und Die Theater Chemnitz, Chemnitz, February 2.
- 2013 Summer School Lead, 'Ecopower and Necropower: Narratives of Resistance and Resilience in India's Naxalite Movement', Just Politics, GNEL Summer Academy, University of Potsdam, September 2–6.
- 2012 **Keynote**, 'Labour as Life in Kancha Ilaiah's *Why I am Not a Hindu*', Interdisciplinary International Conference on Humanism, Democracy and Culture: Postcolonial Discourse and India, RKSD College, Kurukshetra University, India, March 20.