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SE "People on the Move": Migration and Diaspora in Modern History (1750-2000)



Typical migration experiences around 1900: Italian immigrants arriving in New York and registration photographs of 'indentured labourers' from India in Durban (South Africa).

TIME:

Wednesday 10:15-11:45

LOCATION:

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The massive intensification of long-distance migration processes and the almost ubiquitous emergence of worldwide diasporas are among the most obvious social expressions of globalisation. The course attempts to provide a historical perspective on these phenomena, thereby also exploring the important issues of cultural assimilation and social integration of immigrants. Through a number of case studies focusing mainly on the 19th and early 20th century, the participants will be acquainted with the historicity of issues surrounding transnational migration and the formation of diasporic communities and encouraged to relate the historical case studies to current debates revolving around these phenomena. In the process, they will be made familiar with the analysis of both historical sources as well as state of the art research literature.

REQUIREMENTS

- Attendance of the sessions (minimum 80%) and active participation
- Regular reading of the mandatory texts (a course reader with selected texts will be provided online)
- Presentation of 20-25 minutes on a selected topic, based on at least three of the readings listed below
- Link for online reader: <https://polybox.ethz.ch/index.php/s/CkQhQtz3x7UG2ok>
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OUTLINE OF THE SESSIONS

(📌=mandatory readings)

Session 1 (20.09.2017)

Introduction to the Course

- MCKEOWN, Adam, 'Global Migration, 1846-1940', *Journal of World History*, 15 (2), 2004, pp. 155-189.
- HOERDER, Dirk, 'Migrations and Belongings', in: Rosenberg, E. (ed.), *A World Connecting, 1870-1945* (Cambridge, MA and London, UK: Harvard University Press, 2012), pp. 435-589.
- TÖLÖYAN, Khachig, 'Beyond the Homeland: From Exilic Nationalism to Diasporic Transnationalism', in: A. Gal/A.S. Leoussi/A.D. Smith (eds), *The Call of the Homeland: Diaspora Nationalisms, Past and Present*, (Leiden and Boston: Brill, 2010), pp. 27-45.

Session 2 (27.09.2017)

Intro II & Themes and Concepts in Migration History

- LUCASSEN, Jan/LUCASSEN, Leo, *Migration, Migration History, History: Old Paradigms and New Perspectives* (Bern: Peter Lang, 1999), pp. 10-37.
- KALRA, V.S./KAUR, R./ HUTNYK, J., *Diaspora and Hybridity*, (London: Sage, 2005), pp. 8-50.

- HALL, Stuart, 'Cultural Identity and Diaspora', in: William, P./Christman, L. (eds), *Colonial Discourse and Postcolonial Theory* (New York: Columbia University Press, 1994), pp. 392-403. ✪

Session 3 (04.10.27)

Forced Migration I: The Slave Trade

a) The European Slave Trade in the Atlantic and the Indian Ocean

- ALLEN, Richard B., "Satisfying the Want for Labouring People: European Slave Trading in the Indian Ocean, 1500-1850, *Journal of World History*, 21 (1), 2010, pp. 45-73.
- ELTIS, David, 'The Volume and Structure of the Transatlantic Slave Trade: A Reassessment', *The William and Mary Quarterly*, Third Series, 58 (1), 2001, pp. 17-46.
- GILROY, Paul, 'Route Work: The Black Atlantic and the Politics of Exile', in: Chambers, Iain/Curti, Lidia (eds), *The Post-colonial Question: Common skies, divided horizons*, (London and New York: Routledge, 1996), pp. 17-29.
- MORGAN, Kenneth, *Slavery and the British Empire* (Oxford: Oxford University Press) 2007, pp. 54-83.

b) The Lived Reality of Slavery: Work, Everyday Life and Identity

- BLACKBURN, Robin, *The Making of New World Slavery: From the Baroque to the Modern, 1492-1800* (London: Verso, 1998), pp. 401-456.
- MORGAN, Kenneth, 'Slave women and reproduction in Jamaica', c. 1776-1834', in Campbell, Gwyn, Suzanne Miers and Joseph C. Miller (eds), *Women and Slavery: The Modern Atlantic* (Athens, OH: Ohio University Press, 2008), pp. 27-53.
- JONES, Cecily, "'If this be living I'd rather be dead": Enslaved youth, agency and resistance on an eighteenth century Jamaican estate', *The History of the Family*, 12 (2), 2007, pp 92-103. ✪
- BURNARD, Trevor, 'The Sexual Life of an Eighteenth-Century Jamaican Slave Overseer', in: Smith, Merrill D. (ed.), *Sex and Sexuality in Early America* (New York: NYU Press, 1998), pp. 163-189.

Session 4 (11.10.2017) Film Screening "The Stuart Hall Project" (BBC documentary, 2013)

Session 5 (18.10.2017)

Forced Migration II: Convict Transportation

a) A Continent as Penal Colony: Transportation to Australia (1788-1868)

- DAMOUSI, Joy, *Depraved and Disorderly: Female Convicts, Sexuality and Gender in Colonial Australia* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 1997), pp. 34-84.
- HUGHES, Robert, *The Fatal Shore: A History of the Transportation of Convicts to Australia, 1787-1868*, Repr. (London: Vintage, 2003), pp. 282-322.
- NICHOLAS, Stephen, /SHERGOLD, Peter A., 'Convicts as Migrants', in: Nicholas, Stephen (ed.), *Convict Workers: Reinterpreting Australia's Past* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1988), pp. 43-61. ⚡
- NICHOL, W., 'Ideology and the Convict system in New South Wales', *Australian Historical Studies*, 22 (86), 1986, pp. 1-20.



Criminal founding fathers: Chain gang of convicts and guard in New South Wales (c. 1820).

(b) Victims of Empire? — South Asian Convicts in the Indian Ocean

- ANDERSON, Clare, "'The Feringhees are flying—the ship is ours!': The convict middle passage in South and South East Asia, 1790-1860', *Indian Economic and Social History Review*, 42 (2), 2005, pp. 143-186.
- ANDERSON, Clare, *Convicts in the Indian Ocean: Transportation from South Asia to Mauritius, 1815-53* (Houndmills, Basingstoke: Macmillan Press, 2000), pp. 12-58.

- SEN, Satadru, 'Policing the Savage. Segregation, Labour and State Medicine in the Andamans', *Journal of Asian Studies*, 58 (3), 1999, pp. 753-773.
- YANG, Anand A., 'Indian Convict Workers in Southeast Asia in the Late Eighteenth and Early Nineteenth Centuries', *Journal of World History*, 14 (2), 2003, pp. 179-208.

Postcard showing Indian 'Coolies' in Jamaica (c. 1900).



Session 6 (25.10.2017) Labour Migration in or from Europe

a) Irish Migration to Britain and North America in the late 19th and early 20th Centuries

- ANBINDER, Tyler, 'From Famine to Five Points: Lord Lansdowne's Irish Tenants Encounter North America's Most Notorious Slum', *American Historical Review*, 107 (2), 2002, pp. 351-387.
- FITZGERALD, Patrick/LAMBKIN, Brian, *Migration in Irish history, 1607-2007* (Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2008), pp. 149-201.
- LUCASSEN, Leo, *The Immigrant Threat: The integration of old and new migrants in Western Europe since 1850* (Urbana and Chicago: University of Illinois Press, 2005) pp. 27-49. ⚡
- O'DAY, Alan, 'Imagined Irish Communities: Networks of Social Communication of the Irish Diaspora in the United States and Britain in the Nineteenth and early Twentieth Century', in: Delaney, D./McRaid, R.M. (eds), *Irish Migration, Networks and Identities since 1750* (London and New York: Routledge, 2009) pp. 7-34.

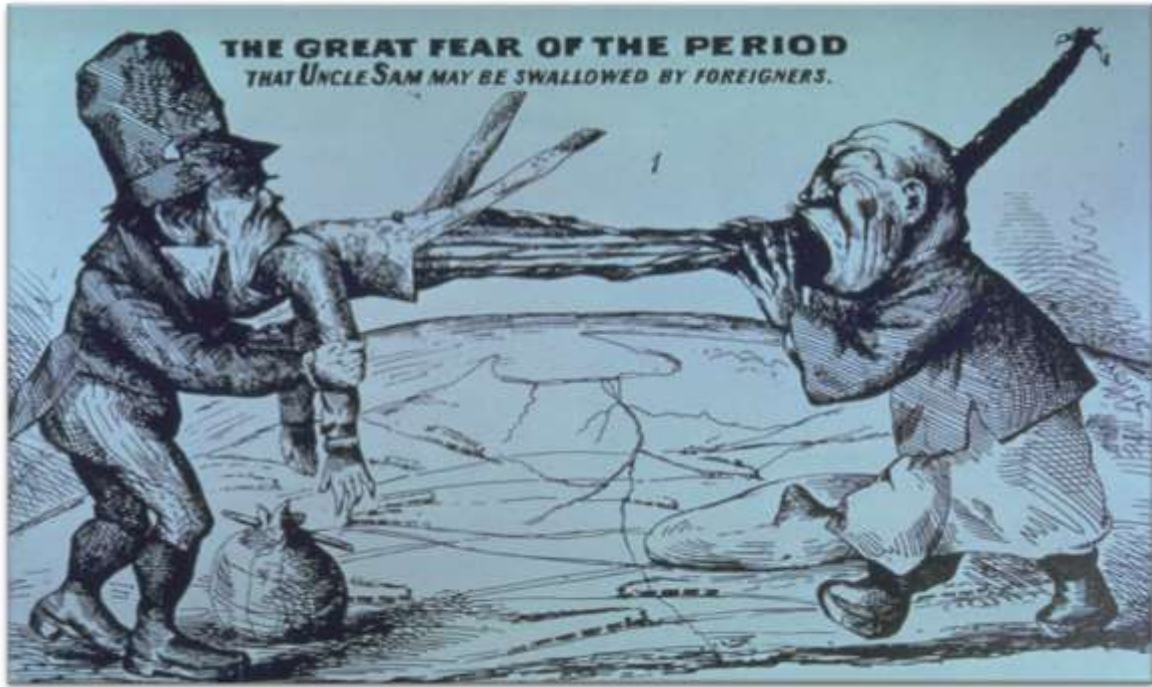
a) **Jewish Migration to Britain and North America in the late 19th and early 20th Centuries**

- GOLDSTEIN, Eric, 'Contesting the Categories: Jews and Government Racial Categorisation in the United States', *Jewish History*, 19 (1), 2006 pp. 35-74.
- HOLMES, Colin, *John Bull's Island: Immigration and British Society, 1871-1971* (Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 1988).
- KNEPPER, Paul, 'The other invisible hand: Jews and Anarchists in London before the First World War', *Jewish History*, 22 (3), 2008, pp. 295-315.
- TRUBOWITZ, Lara, 'Acting like an Alien: 'Civil anti-semitism', the rhetorized Jew and early 20th Century British Immigration Law', in Eitan, Bar-Yosef/Valman, Nadia (eds), *The Jew in Late Victorian and Edwardian Culture: From the East End to East Africa* (Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2009), pp. 65-79.

Session 7 (01.11.2017) Labour Migration from Asia: Chinese 'Coolies'

(a) **Chinese 'Coolies' in the Americas**

- MCKEOWN, Adam, 'Conceptualising Chinese Diasporas 1842-1949', *Journal of Asian Studies*, 58 (1), 1999, pp. 306 – 337.
- YUN, Lisa, *The Coolie Speaks: Chinese Indentured Laborers and African Slaves in Cuba* (Philadelphia PA, Temple University Press, 2008), pp. 1-35.
- HOERDER, Dirk, *Cultures in Contact: World Migrations in the second Millenium* (Durham, NC and London: Duke University Press, 2002), pp. 393-404.
- HU-DEHART, Evelin, 'Chinese coolie labour in Cuba in the nineteenth century: Free labour or neo-slavery?', *Slavery & Abolition: A Journal of Slave and Post-Slave Studies*, 14 (1), 1993, pp. 67-86.
- CHANG, Iris, *The Chinese in America: A narrative history* (New York: Penguin Books, 2003), pp. 20-115.



Anti-immigration cartoon published in San Francisco (1880s).

(b) A Yellow Peril? – Anti-Chinese Clichés, Exclusionism and Attempts at Assimilation in North America

- ANDERSON, Kay J., 'Creating outsiders, 1875-1903', in: Walker, Barrington (ed.), *The History of Racism and Immigration in Canada. Essential readings* (Toronto: Canadian Scholar's Press, 2008), pp. 90-106.
- MCKEOWN, Adam, *Chinese Migrant Networks and Cultural Change: Peru, Chicago, Hawaii, 1900-1936* (Chicago and London: The University of Chicago Press, 2001), pp. 178-223.
- SHAH, Nayan, *Contagious Divides: Epidemics and Race in San Francisco's China Town* (Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2001), pp. 77-104. ★
- SUI LING-TAM, Shirley, 'The recurrent Image of the Coolie: representations of Chinese American Labor in American Periodicals, 1900-1924', in Cassel, Susy Lan (ed.), *The Chinese in America: A History from Gold Mountain to the New Millennium* (Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira Press, 2002), pp. 124-139.

Session 8 (08.11.2017) **Labour Migration from Asia: South Asian 'Coolies'**

(a) The Indentured Labour System

- AMRITH, Sunil S., 'Indians Overseas? Governing Tamil Migration to Malaya 1870–1941', *Past and Present*, 208 (1), 2010, pp. 231-261. 🌟
- TINKER, Hugh, *A New System of Slavery*, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1974), pp. 39-115.
- HARPER, Marjory / CONSTANTINE, Stephen, *Migration and Empire* (Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press, 2010), pp. 148-179.
- ROOPNARINE, Lomarsh, 'The other Side of Indo-Caribbean Indenture: Landownership, Remittances and Remigration 1838-1920', *The Journal of Caribbean History*, 42 (2), 2008 pp. 205-230.
- LAURENCE, K.O., *A Question of Labour: Indentured Immigration into Trinidad and British Guiana 1875-1917* (New York: St Martin's Press, 1994), pp. 78-103.



Fighting for 'Coolie Rights' in South Africa: M.K. Gandhi in Johannesburg, ca. 1908.

(b) Struggling in and with the Host Society: The Case of Indians in South Africa

- BEALL, Jo, 'Women under Indenture in Colonial Natal 1860-1911', in: Clarke, C./Peach, C./Vertovec, S. (eds), *South Asians*

Overseas: Migration and Ethnicity (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1990), pp. 57-74.

- METCALF, Thomas R., 'Indian Migration to South Africa', in: Idem, *Forging the Raj: Essays on British India in the Heyday of Empire* (New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2005), pp. 201-217.
- LAKE, Marilyn and REYNOLDS, Henry, *Drawing the Global Colour Line: White Men's Countries and the International Challenge of Racial Equality* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008), S. 114-133.
- THIARA, Ravi K., 'Imagining? - Ethnic Identity and Indians in South Africa', in: BATES, Crispin (ed.), *Community, Empire and Migration: South Asians in Diaspora* (Hyderabad: Orient Longman, 2001), pp. 123-152.
- VAHED, Goolam, 'Constructions of Community and Identity among Indians in Colonial Natal 1860-1910: The Role of the Muharram Festival', *Journal of African History*, 43 (1), 2002, pp. 77-93.

Session 9 (15.11.2017) Exclusion and Xenophobia I (pre-WW II)

(a) Exclusive 'Whiteness': Australia and the British Empire ca. 1880-1920

- LAKE, Marilyn, 'White Man's Country', The Transnational History of a National Project', in: *Australian Historical Studies*, 34 (122), 2003, pp. 346-363.
- MARTENS, Jeremy, 'A transnational history of immigration restriction: Natal and New South Wales, 1896-97', *The Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History*, 34 (3), 2006, pp. 323-344.
- REYNOLDS, Henry / LAKE, Marilyn, *Drawing the Global Colour Line: White Men's Countries and the International Challenge of Racial Equality* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008), S. 137-165. 🗺
- RICHARDS, Eric, 'Migrations: The Career of British White Australia', in: D.M. Schreuder and S. Ward (eds), *Australia's Empire*, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008), pp. 163-185.

(b) Immigration Policy and Xenophobia in North America ca. 1870-1940

- DANIELS, Roger, *Guarding the Golden Door: American Immigration Policy and immigrants since 1882* (New York: Hill and Wang, 2004) pp. 3-58.
- JACOBSON, Mathew Frye, *Barbarian Virtues: The United States Encounters Foreign People at Home and Abroad* (New York: Hill and Wang, 2000), pp. 179-220.
- McKEOWN, Adam, *Melancholy Order. Asian Migration and the Globalization of Borders* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2008), pp. 217-267.

- REIMERS, David, *Unwelcome Strangers: American identity and the turn against immigration* (New York: Columbia University Press, 1998), pp. 5-24.

Session 10 (22.11.2017) Exclusion and Xenophobia II (post-WW II)

(a) „The Empire is coming home“: Post-imperial Immigration and Xenophobia in Britain, 1948-1990

- FISHER, M.H./LAHIRI, S./THANDI, S., *A South Asian History of Britain: Four Centuries of Peoples from the Indian Subcontinent* (Santa Barbara, CA: Greenwood Press, 2007,), pp. 159-181.
- LUCASSEN, Leo, *The Immigrant Threat: The Integration of old and new migrants in Western Europe since 1850* (Urbana and Chicago: University of Illinois Press, 2005) pp. 113-143.
- SOLOMOS, John, *Race and Racism in Britain* (Houndmills-New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2003), pp. 48-75.
- WATERS, Chris, ‘ “Dark Strangers in our Midst”: Discourses of Race, and Nation in Britain, 1947-1963”, *Journal of British Studies*, 36 (2), 1997, pp. 207-238. ✪

(b) The last frontier: The US-Mexico-Border in the 20th Century

- CHACON, Justin, A./DAVIS, Mike, *No one is illegal: Fighting Racism and state violence on the U.S.-Mexico border* (Chicago: Haymarket Books, 2006), pp. 191-214.
- ETTINGER, Patrick, *Imaginary Lines: Border enforcement and the origins of undocumented immigration, 1882-1930* (Austin: University of Texas Press, 2009), pp. 145-178.
- GANSTER, Paul/LOREY, D.E., *The U.S.-Mexican Border into the Twenty-first Century* (Lanham, Md.: Rowman & Littlefield, 2008), pp. 115-151.
- VILA, Pablo, *Crossing Borders, Reinforcing Borders: Social Categories, Metaphors and Narrative Identities on the U.S.-Mexico Frontier* (Austin: University of Texas Press, 2000), pp. 129-168.



America's last frontier: road-sign warning of refugees crossing the street near the US-Mexico border.

Session 11 (29.11.2017) Controlling Mobility: Borders and Passports

(a) The Medicalisation of Border Control

- BIRN, Anne E., 'Six seconds per eyelid: The Medical Inspection of Immigrants at Ellis Island, 1892-1914', *Dynamis*, 17 (1997), pp. 281-316.
- KORMAN, Gerd, 'When heredity met the Bacterium: Quarantines in New York and Danzig, 1898-1921', *Leo Baeck Yearbook*, 46 (2001), pp. 243-276.
- SHAH, Nayan, *Contagious Divides: Epidemics and Race in San Francisco's China Town* (Berkeley CA, University of California Press, 2001), pp. 179-203.
- STERN, Alexandra M, 'Buildings, Boundaries and Blood: Medicalisation and Nation-Building on the US-Mexico Border', *Hispanic American Historical Review* 79, (1) 1999, pp. 41-81. ✪



Medical inspection of Chinese immigrants on San Francisco's Angel Island (1920s).

(b) Ascertaining the Migrant's Identity: The Spread of the Passport

- HUBER, Valeska, *Channelling Mobilities: Migration and Globalisation in the Suez Canal Region and Beyond, 1869–1914* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013), S. 137-165. 🌐
- MONGIA, Radhika Viyas, 'Race, Nationality, Mobility: A History of the Passport', in: A. Burton (ed.), *After the Imperial Turn: Thinking with and Through the Nation* (Durham-London: Duke University Press, 2003), pp. 196-214.
- SINGHA, Radhika, 'Passport, Ticket and India-rubber stamp: The problem of the pauper pilgrim in colonial India c. 1882-1925', in: Tambe, A. / Fischer-Tiné, H. (eds), *The Limits of British Colonial Control in South Asia: Spaces of Disorder in the Indian Ocean Region* (London-New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 49-83.
- TORPEY, John, 'The great war and the birth of the modern passport system,' in: Caplan, Jane/Torpey, John (eds), *Documenting individual identity. The development of state practices in the modern world* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2001), pp. 256-270.

Session 12 (06.12.2017)

**Refugee Migration and the Problem of Integration:
Political Asylum vs. Political Anxieties**

(a) The Population Transfer between Turkey and Greece in the 1920s

- BAYAR, Yeşim, 'In Pursuit of homogeneity, The Lausanne Conference, Minorities and the Turkish Nation', *Nationalities Papers*, 42 (1), pp. 108-125.
- CLARK, Bruce, *Twice a Stranger: How Mass Expulsion Forged Modern Greece and Turkey*, (London: Granta Books, 2006), pp. 42-64 and 87-107.
- KRITIKOS, George, 'State Policy and Urban Employment of Refugees: The Greek Case (1923-30)', *European Review of History*, 7 (2), 2000, pp. 189-206.
- Shields, Sarah, "Forced Migration as Nation-Building: The League of Nations, Minority Protection, and the Greek-Turkish Population Exchange." *Journal Of The History Of International Law*, 18, (1), 2016, pp. 120-145.

(b) The Hungary Crisis 1956: Political Asylum in a Cold War Constellation

- LUDI, Regula, 'More and Less Deserving Refugees: Shifting Priorities in Swiss Asylum Policy from the Interwar Era to the Hungarian Refugee Crisis of 1956' *Journal Of Contemporary History*, 49 (3), 2014, pp. 577-598. 🌟
- TAYLOR, Becky, 'Their Only Words of English Were 'Thank You'': Rights, Gratitude and 'Deserving' Hungarian Refugees to Britain in 1956', *Journal Of British Studies* 55, no. 1, 2016, pp. 120-144.
- SHERIDAN, Vera.. "Support and surveillance: 1956 Hungarian refugee students in transit to the Joyce Kilmer Reception Centre and to higher education scholarships in the USA." *History of Education*, 45 (6), 2016, pp. 775-793.
- DREISZIGER, Nándor.. "The Biggest Welcome Ever: the Toronto Tories, the Ottawa Liberals, and the Admission of Hungarian Refugees to Canada in 1956." *Hungarian Studies Review*, 35 (1/2), 2008, pp. 41-66.

Session 13 (13.12.2017)

Imagined Homelands I: Diasporism and (Sub-)Nationalism

(a) Back to Africa! - Pan-Africanism, Garveyism and Rastafari Theology

- EDMONDS, Ennis B., *Rastafari: From Outcasts to Culture Bearers* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2003), pp. 29-66.
- ECKERT, Andreas, 'Bringing the Black Atlantic into Global History: The Project of Pan-Africanism', in: Conrad, Sebastian/Sachsenmaier, Dominic (eds), *Competing Visions of*

World Order: Global Movements and Moments, 1880s – 1930s, (New York: Palgrave, 2007), pp. 237-257. ✪

- SUNDIATA, Ibrahim, *Brothers and Strangers: Black Zionism, Black Slavery, 1914-1940* (Durham: Duke University Press, 2003), pp. 1-47.
- VINSON, Robert T., '«Sea Kaffirs»: 'American Negroes and and the Gospel of Garveyism in Early 20th century South Africa', *Journal of African History*, 47 (2), 2006, pp. 281-303.

(b) The Indian Sikh-Diaspora in the West and the Quest for *Khalistan*

- HELWEG, A.W., 'Ethnic Dynamics within a Transnational Framework. The Case of the Sikh Diaspora', in: Pashaura Singh/N.G. Barrier (eds), *Sikhism and History* (New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2004), pp. 230-47.
- DUESENBERY, Verne. A., 'A "Sikh Diaspora"? - Contested Identities and Constructed Realities', in: Idem, *Sikhs at Large: Religion, Culture and Politics in Global Perspective* (New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2008), pp. 92-117.
- TATLA, Darshan Singh, *The Sikh Diaspora: The search for statehood* (London: UCL Press, 1999), pp. 41-62.
- TATLA, Darshan Singh, 'Cry for an endangered Homeland? The contours of Sikh Diasporic Nationalism since 1984', in: : A. Gal/A.S. Leoussi/A.D. Smith (eds), *The Call of the Homeland: Diaspora Nationalisms, Past and Present*, (Leiden and Boston: Brill, 2010), pp. 241-88.

Session 14 (20. 12. 2017) Imagined Homelands II: Diasporism and Culture

(a) Language and Religion in Exile - Diaspora and identity in Mauritius

- EISENLOHR, Patrick, *Little India: Diaspora, Time and Ethnolinguistic Belonging in Hindu Mauritius*, (Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2006), pp. 22-65. ✪
- EISENLOHR, Patrick, 'The politics of diaspora and the morality of secularism: Muslim identities and Islamic authority in Mauritius', *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Society*, n.s., 12 (2), 2006, pp. 395-412.
- ERIKSEN, T. H., 'Creolization in anthropological theory and in Mauritius', in: Stewart, C. (ed.), *Creolization: History, ethnography, theory* (Walnut Creek, CA: Left Coast Press, 2007), pp. 153-177.
- JAHANGEER-CHOJOO, Amenah, 'Islamisation Processes among Mauritian Muslims', *Internationales Asienforum*, 33 (1-2) 2002, pp. 115-126.

(b) Concluding Discussion