International Conference
Chair of History of the Modern World, ETH Zurich

Sport and Society in Transnational Contexts

Clausiusstrasse 59, RZ F 21, 8092 Zurich
5-6 June 2015

DAY 1
10.00-10.05 Welcome: Dr Harald Fischer-Tiné, ETH Zurich
10.05-10.45 Keynote: Dr Boria Majumdar, University of Central Lancashire
10.45 Coffee
11.00-13.00 Panel 1: Reinvention of Practice
(Chair: Dr Christian Koller, Swiss Social Archives, Zurich)
Dr Jared van Duinen, Charles Sturt University
‘The British World, Australian Rules Football and an Australian National Identity’
Dr Thomas Adam, University of Texas at Arlington
‘The Intercultural Transfer of Soccer in the Late Nineteenth Century’
Dr Cathal Kilcline, National University of Ireland
‘From Pa’Dak to No al Dakar: Global Sport’s Unstoppable Drive’
13.00-14.00 Lunch
14.00-16.00 Panel 2: Translocation of Culture and Identity
(Chair: Dr Stefan Hübner, Bundeswehr University)
Dr Colin Howell and Dr Daryl Leeworthy, Saint Mary’s University, Halifax and University of Huddersfield
‘Playing on the Border: Sport, Borderlands, and the North Atlantic, 1850-1950’
Dr Christian Koller, Swiss Social Archives, Zurich
‘Sport Transfer over the Channel: Elitist Migration and the Advent of Football and Ice Hockey in Switzerland’
Dr David Rowe, University of Western Sydney
‘We’re All Transnational Now: Sport in Dynamic Socio-Cultural Environments’
16.00-16.15 Coffee
16.15-18.15 Panel 3: Sporting Publics and Media
(Chair: Dr David Rowe, University of Western Sydney)
Dr James Dorsey, Nanyang Technological University
‘Rooted in History: The Politics of Middle Eastern and North African Soccer’
Souvik Naha, ETH Zurich
‘Provincializing Cricket: The Glocalisation of Englishness in Bengali Cricket Writings and Broadcasts’
Felix Jimenez, Boston College
‘“Yes to Football, No to Torture!” The Politics of the 1978 FIFA World Cup in West Germany’
19.30 Conference dinner

DAY 2
10.00-12.00 Panel 4: Mobility of Sport and Intermediaries
(Chair: Dr Christopher Gaffney, University of Zurich)
Renan Petersen-Wagner and Dr Leonardo Mataruna, Coventry University
‘A Return Trip from Japan: From Jigoro Kano Kodokan Judo in Brazil to Gracie Family Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu in Japan’
Dr Katrin Bromber, ZMO Berlin
‘“Beyond the Mat”: Wrestling in Ethiopia and the Quest to Modernize, 1920s-1980s’
Dr Harald Fischer-Tiné, ETH Zurich
‘Hard Muscles and Soft Power: The American YMCA and Sports in South Asia, c. 1900-1940’
12.00-13.00 Lunch
13.00-15.00 Panel 5: Global Events
(Chair: Dr Borja Majumdar, University of Central Lancashire)
Dr Brenda Elsey, Hofstra University
‘Cultural Ambassadorship and the Failure of the Pan American Games, 1929-1959’
Dr Stefan Hübner, Bundeswehr University
‘“Now, Who Is the Man Who Isn’t Proud of a Stadium Like This?” The Asian Games, Authoritarian Development, and Personality Cults, 1962-1974’
Dr Martin Müller, Dr Christopher Gaffney and Daniel Wolfe, University of Zurich
‘Materialising Networks: Moving knowledge, Governing Mega-events’
15.00 Closing Remarks: Dr Harald Fischer-Tiné, ETH Zurich

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