



Georg-August-Universität  
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Centre for Modern Indian Studies (CeMIS)



Young South Asia Scholars Meet 2016

# Transformations of the Political

24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Venue: University of Göttingen, Germany

Kulturwissenschaftliches Zentrum, Heinrich-Düker- Weg 14





## Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2016

10:00-10:30 Registration & Tea and Coffee

10:30-11:00 Welcome by Alva Bonaker and Arun Kumar

### 11:00-12:30 **Session 1: Development and Dissent**

#### **Chloé Leclère (Lyon)**

Community project, inclusion and new state interventions. The case of rural sanitation in India

#### **Katharina Paterok (Berlin)**

Power and the Pauper – Being an Indian Citizen. The Example of Delhi's Waste Economy

#### **Discussant: Razak Khan (Göttingen)**

12:30-13:45 *Lunch*

### 13:45-16:00 **Session 2: Gender, Labour, and Violence**

#### **Janna Vogl (Erfurt)**

NGO activism and local protest against gender violence in a slum in Chennai, South India

#### **Chandni Mehta (Delhi)**

Into the breach of 'Sex Work': 'Labour' and 'Prostitution' in the Field of Political Economy

#### **Sneha, Banerjee (Delhi)**

'Gestation Workers' in India: (Re)Producing for the Commercial Surrogacy 'Industry'

#### **Discussant: Manju Ludwig (Heidelberg)/Jana Tschurenv (Göttingen)**

16:00-16:30 *Tea & Coffee*

17:00-19:00 Public Lecture by Prof. Amartya Sen (Harvard University), **hosted by the Department of Development Economics, Göttingen University (as part of their conference)**

Venue: Paulinerkirche, Papendiek 14, 37073 Göttingen

20:00-22:00 *Dinner at L'Osteria, Kurze-Geismar-Straße 9, 37073 Göttingen*

## Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2016

### 9:00-10:30 **Session 3: Diversity and Political Mobilization**

#### **Arndt W. Emmerich (Oxford)**

Inclusive development and its dilemmas; a study of Muslim minority activism in South India

#### **Durgesh Solanki (Mumbai)**

Cast(e)ing the Broom: Politics of Broom

#### **Discussant: Gajendran Ayyathurai (Göttingen)**



10:30-11:00 *Tea & Coffee*

11:00-12:30 **Session 4: Refugees and the State**

**Smita Tiwari (Delhi)**

States' Response to the Refugee Crisis in South Asia: Focus on Afghan Refugees in Pakistan

**Himadri Chatterjee (Delhi)**

Refugee City: Lives and Spaces in 'Transition' at the 'Borders' of Kolkata

**Discussant: Maria Framke (Rostock)**

12:30-13:30 *Lunch*

13:30-15:00 **Session 5: State Power and Resistance**

**Lipin Ram (Geneva)**

Martyrdom and 'the political': the case of communist politics in North Kerala

**Xavier Houdoy (Paris)**

The Governance of the Margins: De-constructing the State in Arunachal Pradesh

**Discussant: Kristin Plys (Göttingen)**

15:00-15:30 *Tea & Coffee*

15:30-17:00 **Session 6: Political culture and aesthetics**

**Daniela Cappello (Heidelberg)**

Radical Aesthetics as Resistance: Reading and Performing the Hungry Generation at University

**Garima Dhabhai (Delhi)**

Crafting Cityscapes: Deciphering the 'Political' in Beautification Regime of Contemporary Jaipur

**Discussant: Ayesha Kidwai (Delhi/Göttingen)**

17:00-17:30 *Tea & Coffee*

17:30-18:30 Concluding Remarks by Alva Bonaker, Ayesha Kidwai, Arun Kumar, and Jana Tschurennev, and final discussion