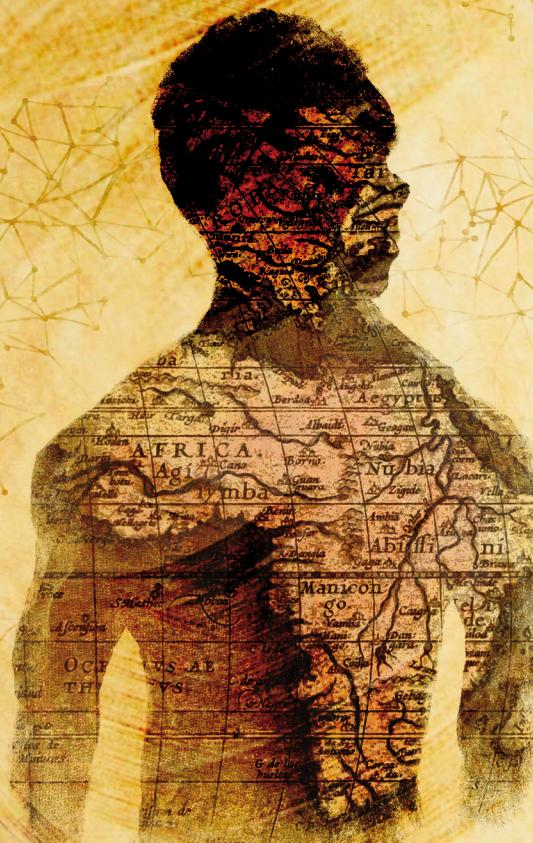


18 NOVEMBER
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CONFERENCE
**EMPIRE • LABOUR
CITIZENSHIP**
CURRENT RESEARCH
ON GLOBALIZATION.

NOVEMBER 20 10h-12h

keynote by **Pr. Frederick Cooper** (New York University)
"Empire and Beyond: Power and the State in the 20th Century".

Since the second half of the 19th century, accelerations in the processes of globalization profoundly transformed human communities throughout the world.

This event aims at highlighting current research in human sciences around concepts of empire, labour and citizenship and their connections with the long-term history of mankind. During three days, researchers in history, anthropology and political sciences are invited to reflect together on how political superstructures, workforce management and the making of collective identities contributed to shape today's globalized societies.

The conference will be closed by a lecture of Pr. Frederick Cooper (New York University), a leading scholar in the History of (post)colonial Africa, and a major contributor to academic debates on these topics.



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DAY ONE **18** VRIJE
UNIVERSITEIT
BRUSSEL **Room TBA**
NOVEMBER

12h **13h** Welcoming and registration.

13h **13h15 Welcome speech**

Benoît Henriet (*PhD candidate, Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles*)
Romain Tiquet (*PhD Candidate – Humboldt University – Berlin*)

Panel 1. • EMPIRES AND THE MAKING OF GLOBAL SOCIETIES •

Discussant/chair: Pr. Kenneth Bertrams (*Université Libre de Bruxelles*)

13h15 **14h45 KEYNOTE**

Pr. Eric Vanhaute (*Ghent University*)

‘Frontiers of Empire. About Land, Labour and Commodities’.

14h45 **15h COFFEE BREAK**

15h **15h30** Pr. Paul Fontaine (*Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles*)

‘De Lyon à Rome – Africains et Syriens en Europe de l’Ouest sous l’Empire romain’.

15h30 **16h Fabienne Chamelot (*PhD candidate – University of Portsmouth*)**
Romain Tiquet (*PhD Candidate – Humboldt University – Berlin*)

‘Layers of Colonial Archives, Levels of Imperial Rule:
Administrative Tensions between the Federal
and the Local Power in AOF, 1936-1939’.

16h **16h30 Clothilde Houot (*PhD Candidate – Université Paris 1-Sorbonne*)**
‘Building National Armies in the Middle Eastern Mandates.
The Iraqi and Transjordanian Case’.

16h30 **17h Zaib Un Nisa Aziz**

(*Teaching Fellow, Lahore University of Management Sciences*)
Passages from India.
India anti colonial activism in exile, 1905-1920.

17h30 Concluding remarks and final round of questions.

DAY TWO **19** UNIVERSITÉ
LIBRE
DE BRUXELLES **local AW.1.121.**
NOVEMBER

8h **9h** Welcoming and registration.

Panel 2. • THE AFRICAN EXPERIENCE OF LABOUR •

Discussant/Chair: Pr. Benjamin Rubbers
(*Université de Liège – Université Libre de Bruxelles*)

9h **10h30 KEYNOTE**

Dr. Sara Geenen (*Antwerp University*)

“Artisanal frontier mining of gold In Africa:
Labour transformation in Tanzania and
the Democratic Republic of Congo”.

10h30 **10h45 COFFEE BREAK**

10h45 **11h15** Pascaline Le Polain (*PhD candidate, Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles*)

Punishing the Resisters. Forced Agricultural Labour in Belgian
Congo (1940-1945).

11h15 **11h45** Adane Kassie Bezabih (*PhD Candidate, Addis Ababa University*)
African Labour and Foreign Capital: The Case of Wonji-Shewa
Sugar Estate in Ethiopia, 1951-1974.

11h45 **12h15** Kerstin Stubenvoll (*PhD Candidate, Humboldt University – Berlin*)
‘Applied sciences’: (Mis)readings and Scopes of Action in
Constructing ‘the African Worker’ during decolonization (French
Cameroon, 1940s-50s).

12h15 **12h45** Benoît Henriet (*PhD candidate, Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles*)
‘Deglobalizing the postcolony? The Changing Faces of Palm
oil labour around Kikwit (Democratic Republic of the Congo),
1911-2015’.

12h45 **13h15 Concluding remarks and final round of questions.**

13h15 **14h LUNCH BREAK**

Panel 3. • CITIZENSHIP IN A (POST)COLONIAL WORLD •

Discussant / chair: Pr. Amandine Lauro (*Université Libre de Bruxelles*)

14h **15h30 KEYNOTE**

Pr. Emma Hunter (*University of Edinburgh*)

‘Citizenship in Post-Colonial Africa: Dialogues between Past and
Present’.

15h30 **15h45 COFFEE BREAK**

15h45 **16h15** Edenz Maurice (*PhD candidate, Centre d’Histoire – Sciences Po Paris*)

‘Amerindians, Creoles and Maroons. Schools as laboratories of
(post-)colonial citizenship in French Guiana, 1930s to 1960s’.

16h15 **16h45** Marie Fierens (*Postdoctoral Fellow – Université Libre de Bruxelles*)

Ornella Rovetta (*Postdoctoral Fellow – Université Libre de Bruxelles*)

‘Citizenship at a Crossroads: Transitions and Elites in Congo
and Rwanda c.1950-1962’.

16h45 **17h15** Alexander Knoth (*PhD candidate, University of Potsdam*)

‘The Social Construction of the Citizen. Patterns of political
membership and belonging in the EU (1945-2011)’.

17h15 **17h45** Sarah Demart (*Researcher, Université de Liège*)

‘Postcolonial citizenship in Belgium: the case of the Belgian-
Congolese in the era of globalisation’.

17h45 **18h15 Concluding remarks and final round of questions.**

DAY THREE **20** UNIVERSITÉ
SAINT-LOUIS
• BRUXELLES **local P-61**
NOVEMBER

9h **9h45** Welcoming and registration.

9h45 **10h Welcome speech**

Pr. Nathalie Tousignant (*Université Saint-Louis – Bruxelles*)

10h **12h KEYNOTE**

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Pr. Véronique Dimier (*Université Libre de Bruxelles*).

12h **13h LUNCH BREAK**

13h **14h30 CONCLUDING ROUNDTABLE**

with Pr. Frederick Cooper

Pr. Véronique Dimier

Pr. Nathalie Tousignant

Pr. Emma Hunter.