

Dexterities and Edifices of Belonging: Perspectives on Modern South Asia

Opening Symposium of Max Weber Forum for South Asian Studies (MWF Delhi)
19-21 September 2022

Multipurpose Hall, India International Centre, New Delhi

Convenors: Margrit Pernau (Max Planck Institute Berlin), Harald Fischer-Tiné (ETH Zürich), Sebastian Schwecke (MWF Delhi), Debarati Bagchi (MWF Delhi), Joanna Pfaff-Czarnecka (Bielefeld University), Dhruv Raina (JNU Delhi)

Draft Programme

Monday, 19 September 2022

- 11:30-12:30 Registration and High Tea
- 12:30-13:00 Opening remarks:
Sebastian Schwecke (MWF Delhi)
Steffen Koch (German Embassy New Delhi)
Hans van Ess (Max Weber Stiftung)
Rupa Viswanath (ICAS:MP Delhi/ CeMIS Göttingen)
Katja Lasch (DAAD, DWIH, New Delhi)
- 13:00-14:00 **Keynote Address: The Right to be a Citizen**
Romila Thapar, Professor Emerita, JNU
- 14:00-14:30 Discussion
- 14:30-14:50 Tea/ Coffee

Panel 1: Shaping the Citizen in South Asia: Characters, Bodies and Emotions, c. 1900-2000

Chair: Margrit Pernau (Max Planck Institute Berlin)

- 14:50-15:00 Introduction by Margrit Pernau (Max Planck Institute Berlin) and Harald Fischer-Tiné (ETH Zürich)
- 15:00-15:25 Laurence Marie Agnes Gautier (Centre de Sciences Humaines, Delhi)
- 15:25-15:50 Anupama Roy (JNU Delhi)
- 15:50-16:05 Tea/ Coffee
- 16:05-16:30 Harald Fischer-Tiné (ETH Zürich)
- 16:30-16:55 Elena Valdameri (ETH Zürich)
- 16:55-17:15 Comments by Salil Misra (Ambedkar University Delhi)
- 17:15-17:45 Discussion

Tuesday, 20 September 2022

11:45-12:25 Registration and Tea/ Coffee

12:25-12:30 Opening Remarks by Sebastian Schwecke (MWF Delhi)

Roundtable Discussion 'Markets and Emotions in Modern South Asia'

12:30-13:30 Sebastian Schwecke (MWF Delhi)
Margrit Pernau (Max Planck Institute, Berlin)
Saikat Maitra (IIMC Kolkata)
Samprati Pani (MWF Delhi)

13:30-14:00 Discussion

14:00-15:00 Lunch

Panel 2: Messy Economies and awkward economic belonging in Contemporary India

15:00-15:05 Introduction by Sebastian Schwecke (MWF Delhi)

15:05-15:30 Barbara Harriss-White (Oxford University)

15:30-15:55 Mekhala Krishnamurthy (Ashoka University, Sonipat)

15:55-16:20 Aditi Saraf (Utrecht University)

16:20-16:35 Tea/ Coffee

16:35-17:00 Ajay Gandhi (Leiden University)

17:00-17:25 Samprati Pani (MWF Delhi)

17:25-17:50 Andy Rotman (Smith College Northampton, Massachusetts)

17:50-18:30 Discussion

19:00 onwards Reception and Dinner

Wednesday, 21 September 2022

09:45-10:00 Registration

Panel 3: Learning to be a Citizen: The Inclusions and Exclusions of the Postcolonial Indian State's Pedagogic Project

10:00-10:05 Introduction by Debarati Bagchi (MWF Delhi)

10:05-10:30 Manish Jain (Ambedkar University Delhi)

10:30-10:55 Debarati Bagchi (MWF Delhi)

10:55-11:10 Tea/Coffee

11:10-11:35 Divya Kannan (Shiv Nadar University, Greater Noida)

11:35-12:00 Kaustubh Mani Sengupta (Bankura University, West Bengal)

12:00-12:25 Yamini Agarwal (MWF Delhi)

12:25-13:00 Discussion

13:00-14:00 Lunch

Panel 4: Higher Education and Social change in South Asia

Chair: Joanna Pfaff-Czarnecka (Bielefeld University) and Dhruv Raina (JNU Delhi)

14:00-14:10 Introduction by Joanna Pfaff-Czarnecka (Bielefeld University) and Dhruv Raina (JNU Delhi)

14:10-14:35 Sudhanshu Bhushan (NIEPA)

14:35-15:00 Surinder Jodhka (JNU Delhi)

15:00-15:25 S. Srinivasa Rao (JNU Delhi)

15:25-15:40 Tea/ Coffee

15:40-16:05 Dhruv Raina (JNU Delhi)

16:05-16:30 Joanna Pfaff-Czarnecka (Bielefeld University)

16:30-17:00 Discussion