AFRICAN TRAJECTORIES OF SLAVERY
25-26 MAY 2007

Each presentation lasts 20 minutes. Panels consist of a set of three/four presentations followed by 30 minutes of debate.

PANELS AND TIMETABLE

FRIDAY 25 MAY

8:30: registration opens

9:30 - 9:50
INTRODUCTION
Rossi, Benedetta, ‘Rethinking Slavery in Africa’

10:00 – 12:00
PANEL 1 – Slavery and the moral order: change and continuity
Chair: Richard Fardon
Clarence-Smith, William, ‘Islamic Abolitionism in Sub-Saharan Africa.’
Klein, Martin, ‘Slave Descent and Social Status in the West African Savanna.’
McCaskie, Thomas, ‘African-American Psychologists, the Atlantic Slave Trade and Ghana: A History of the Present’
[Burnham, Phil, ‘Discourses of Slavery: Change and Continuity.’]

12:00 - 13:30 Lunch break

13:30-15:20
PANEL 2 – Slavery and gender
Chair: Gareth Austin
Rodet, Marie, ‘Emancipation, Migrations, and Gender in the Upper Senegal, 1899-1920.’
Jenkins, Julie, ‘Situating “Ritual Slavery”: Ethnographic Explorations of Trokosi in Ghana.’
Bouman, Annemarie, ‘Not of Their Own Free Will. Slavery versus Forced Marriage in the Kel Tamsheq Society, Burkina Faso.’

15:20 - 16:00 Tea/coffee break

16:00 – 17:30
PANEL 3 – Ideologies and practices of slavery and exploitation in the past and present
Chair: John Peel
Evers, Sandra, ‘“To the Manner Born”: The Perpetuation of the Ideology and Terminology of Slavery in Madagascar.’
Bellagamba, Alice, ‘Idioms of Bondage and Deprivation in the Socio-Cultural History of the River Gambia.’
Olaniyi, Rasheed, ‘Child trafficking and slavery in Nigeria: a comparative analysis of the 1930s and the 1990s.’

17:30-20:00 Reception in the Brunei Suite
SATURDAY 26 MAY 2007

9:00 – 10:50
PANEL 4 – Slavery and anti-slavery: contemporary institutions
Chair: Jan Georg Deutsch
Cacchioli, Romana, ‘Anti-slavery Advocacy with African Governments and Regional Institutions.’
Tidjani-Alou, Mahaman, ‘Towards an Anthropology of the Struggle against Slavery: the Case of Anti-Slavery NGOs in Niger’
Komlavi-Hahonou, Eric, ‘Reconfigurations of Slave Identity and Status in the Context of Decentralisation in Niger and Benin.’
Gaasholt, Ole Martin, ‘Renegotiating Slave Identity or Hanging on to It? Strategies of Social Mobility (and Immobility) in Gossi (Mali)’

10:50 – 11:20 Coffee break

11:20 – 13:10
PANEL 5 – Memory and performance
Chair: Graham Furniss
Argenti, Nicolas, ‘Slavery, Youth, and Masking in the Cameroon Grassfields’
de Jong, Ferdinand, ‘Commemorating the Slave Trade: Art, Architecture and Performance at Gorée Island’
Venkatachalam, Meera, ‘Slavery in the Anlo-Ewe Imagination (Ghana)’
King Dorset, Rodriguez, ‘Dancing as Satire: Slave Resistance in the Quadrille’

13:10 – 14:30 Lunch break

14:30 – 16:20
PANEL 6 – Negotiating slave identity (Presentations in French)
Chair: Paulo Fernando de Moraes Farias
Hardung, Christine, ‘«We Aren’t Clandestines»: Political Mobilisation and Associations of Groups of Slave Origin in Mauritania.’
Schmitz, Jean, ‘The MaccuBe of the Almaami, or the promotion of ‘slaves’ in Fuuta Tooro (Sénégal Valley).’
Leservoisier, Olivier, ‘Contemporary Trajectories of Slavery among the haalpulaar of Mauritania: discriminations, resistances, and status renegotiations’
Boyer, Florence, ‘From the Ambiguity of Terminology to the Complexity of Practices: The Question of Slavery in a Tuareg Society of South-Western Niger’

16:20-17:00 Coffee/tea break

17:00 – 17:30
CONCLUSION
Lovejoy, Paul, ‘Trajectories of Slavery in Africa’s Past and Present.’