

1945-2025 War and Post-War(s)

Contemporary Perspectives On the Post WWII World



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09:00-15:30

Registration / Welcome Coffee

09:00-09:30

Institutional and Scientific Openings

09:30-10:00

Institution Greetings

- Violaine Sebillotte, vice-présidente de la Commission de la recherche du Conseil académique, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne
- Philippe Etienne, ambassadeur de France, président de la Mission Libération
- Anja Czymmeck, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, head of the representation in France

Scientific Opening

- Emmanuel Kattan (Columbia University, New York)
- Fabien Théofilakis (Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris)
- Claudia Weber (Europa Universität Viadrina, Frankfurt-an-der-Oder)

PANEL 1 - LOCAL PERSPECTIVES: PARIS-DAKAR-HANOI

10:00-12:00

Moderation: Claudia Weber (Europa-Universität Viadrina, Germany)**Speakers:**

- Guillaume Blanc (Université Rennes 2, France)
"When Liberation comes, fight goes on. Seeing 1945 with an Afro-Asian perspective"
- Danelle van Zyl-Hermann (University of Basel, Switzerland)
"African Resources in the Reconstruction of Europe after the Second World War"
- Karoline Postel-Vinay (Sciences Po)
"Post-1945 East Asia: a longue durée perspective"

Commentary: Elgas (Radio France Internationale)

Lunch (Mezzanine)

12:30-13:30

PANEL 2 - VICTORS AND VANQUISHED IN THE HOMELAND AND EMPIRES 13:30-15:30

Moderation: Emmanuel Kattan (Columbia University, USA)**Speakers:**

- Danielle Beaujon (University of Illinois at Chicago, USA)
"Demobilizing Violence: Conflicts between Tirailleurs sénégalais and North Africans, 1945"
- Clara M. Oberle (University of San Diego)
"From War to Postwar: The Housing Crisis in Berlin, 1945-1948 and Allied Politics of Order. Between Restorative Justice, Denazification, and a Global Refugee Crisis"
- Sayaka Chatani (National University of Singapore)
"Postimperial Japan in the Making: Perspectives of Resident Koreans in Postwar Japan"

Commentary: Elara Bertho (CNRS / Les Afriques dans le monde, France)

Public transport to UNESCO

15:30-16:30

PANEL 3 - ASSESSING CONTEMPORARY POWER DYNAMICS IN THE RETURN AND RESTITUTIONS OF CULTURAL PROPERTY: ASPIRATIONS AND CHALLENGES

16:30-18:30

Introductory remarks: Sunna Altnoder

(Head of Movable Heritage and Museums Unit at UNESCO)

Speakers:

- **Anne Rothfeld** (Independent Scholar, USA)
"Eve Tucker versus Restitution Policy in U.S.-Occupied Austria"
- **Angelo Dan** (Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Delegate of Bénin to UNESCO)
"Lessons learned from the Franco-Beninese cultural property restitution process"
- **Aurore Chaigneau** (Paris Nanterre University)
"The new phase in restitution policies following the spoliations of the Second World War in France"

Commentary: Annette Becker (Paris Nanterre University)

Coffee Break

18:30-19:00

Greetings

19:00-19:30

Greetings from Audrey Azoulay, Director-General of UNESCO.

Greetings from Nathanael Liminiski, Minister for Federal and European Affairs, International Affairs of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia and from Benjamin Haddad (tbc), Minister Delegate at the Ministry for European and International Affairs, Delegate for Europe.

Public Lecture

19:30-20:30

- **Eric Jennings** (University of Toronto, Canada)
"European Overseas Empires in the Second World War: Schisms, Contributions and Legacies"

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Registration and Coffee

09:00-09:30

PANEL 4 - DEMOBILIZATIONS, RETURNING FROM WAR,
BACK TO NORMALITY?

09:30-11:30

Moderation: Janine Fubel (Fernuniversität Hagen, Germany)

Speakers:

- **Magdalena Janke** (Max-Planck-Institute for Legal History and Legal Theory, Germany)
"Resistance fighters or common criminals? Conscientious Objectors and Soldiers in Penal Military Units in West-German Jurisprudence after 1945"
- **Atina Grossmann** (The Cooper Union, USA)
"Constructing (Ab)Normality After Catastrophe: Jewish Survivors in Postwar Occupied Germany"
- **Giovanni Cerro** (Fondazione Collegio San Carlo, Modena, Italy) & **Giulia Dodi** (University of Bologna, Italy)
"Between Memory and Oblivion: The Failed Italian Decolonization"

Commentary: Audrey Kichelewski (Université de Strasbourg)

Coffee Break

11:30-12:00

PANEL 5 - REVENGE, JUSTICE, LAW: A QUESTION OF VIOLENCE?

12:00-14:00

Moderation: Carol Gluck (Columbia University)

Speakers:

- **Lori Watt** (Washington University in St. Louis)
"From Empire to Internationalism: Repatriation, Sovereignty, and the Postwar Japanese State"
- **Julia Roos** (Indiana University, USA)
"Denazification and Europe's Colonial Pasts: Investigating Crimes Against Biracial Germans"
- **Mary Fulbrook** (University College London, UK)
"The Long Aftermath and Controversial Memorialisation of the Holocaust in European Perspective"

Commentary: Vanessa Voisin (Università di Bologna)

Lunch break

14:00-15:30

PANEL 6 - FACING (IN)JUSTICE IN POSTWAR PERIODS:
VICTIMS AND PERPETRATORS

15:30-17:30

Moderation: Fabien Archambault (Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, France)

Speakers:

- **Roman Syrota** (Ivan Franko National University, Ukraine)
"Managing 'Undefined' Displaced Populations in Post-War British Policy, 1945-48"
- **Nadège Ragaru** (Sciences Po Paris, France)
"Who set the Bulgarian Jewish Concentration Camp on Fire? The Failings of end-of-war Justice in Bulgaria"
- **Robert Kramm** (LMU Munich, Germany)
"A Shared History of Race and Sex in Occupied Germany and Japan after WWII"

Commentary: Annette Weinke (Jena Universität)

PANEL 7 - D80 YEARS: PATHWAYS TO A NEW MEMORY CULTURE

09:30-11:30

Moderation: Fabien Théofilakis (Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, France)

Speakers:

- Denis Shedov, Memorial (Russia)
- Maciej Gugała, German Historical Museum, Berlin (Germany)
- N'Goné Fall, curator and expert in cultural project development (Senegal)
- Christine Lévy, Women's Active Museum on War and Peace (Japan)
- Aurélien Gnat, internment and deportation memorial of Royallieu, Compiègne (France)

Coffee Break

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FROM PARIS TO NEW YORK: CONCLUSIVE REMARKS

12:00-13:00

- Emmanuel Kattan (Columbia University)
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