

DEPENDENCY AND AGENCY AT THE NORTHERN CROSSROADS OF PRE-MODERN ASIA AND EUROPE

HYBRID WORKSHOP MARCH 6-7, 2025

FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PREMODERN EAST SLAVIC EUROPE NETWORK

(FORMERLY RESEARCH NETWORK PREMODERN RUSSIA BETWEEN EASTERN EUROPE AND ASIA)

THE BONN CENTER FOR DEPENDENCY AND SLAVERY STUDIES

hosts the Cluster of Excellence "Beyond Slavery and Freedom", which aims to overcome the binary opposition of "slavery versus freedom". We approach the phenomenon of slavery and other types of strong asymmetrical dependency from methodologically and theoretically distinct perspectives.

Recent cataclysms prove glaringly the importance of continuously discussing and analyzing asymmetrical dependencies in premodern inner Eurasian connecting spaces north and east of the great mountain ranges, now in large parts claimed by Russia. The Research Network Premodern East Slavic Europe is committed to convene historians studying periods up to the long 18th century for scientific exchange and dialogue, to overcome the current marginalization of these fields in scientific and public perception. The conference invites to grapple with the concepts of dependency and (inter-)agency in these areas. It focuses, on the one hand, on exploring the approaches to asymmetrical social dependencies. On the other hand, cross-connections with fields of inquiry in political and (trans-) imperial history with a view to asymmetrical interethnic and resource dependencies as well as environmental history will be examined.

VENUE

University of Bonn

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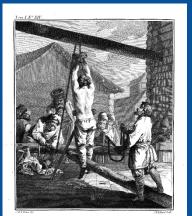
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For more information about the **Premodern East Slavic Europe Network** please refer to its <u>website</u>.

Please register for the workshop by 27 February via email to: <u>events@dependency.uni-bonn.de</u> Limited seating available. Alternatively, you may participate online

via Zoom.





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Thursday, March 6, 2025

9:00 AM Welcome and Opening Christoph Witzenrath, BCDSS, University of Bonn

9:30 – 11:00 AM **Panel 1 Trade** Chair: Aleksandr Lavrov, *Sorbonne University, Paris*

Defining the Slaves: Rus' Prisoners and Slave Markets in Tenth-Century Byzantium

Oleksandr Fylypchuk, EPHE, Paris

Routes to the Galleys and the Courts: The Crimea, L'viv and St Petersburg in Networks of Coercion Labour Ludolf Pelizaeus, Université de Picardie, Amiens

Commodifying Serfs: A Comparative Examination of Serf Advertisements in Moscow and Saint Petersburg Nataliia Voitko, BCDSS, University of Bonn

11:00 – 11:30 AM – Coffee Break

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM **Panel 2 Violence** Chair: Ricarda Vulpius, *University of Münster*

Between Submissions and Challenges of Authority: Violence, Criminal Justice, and Peasant Dependency in Late Medieval Galicia (Red Ruthenia). Yurii Zazuliak, LMU Munich

Spatial Configurations of Asymmetric Dependencies in Early Siberia: Russian Colonialism and Indigenous Hostages Chechesh Kudachinova, FU Berlin

Terror and Climate as Agents in Muscovite Asymmetric Dependency?

Christoph Witzenrath, BCDSS, University of Bonn

1:00 - 2:00 PM - Lunch Break

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2:00 – 3:30 PM **Panel 3 (Im-)Mobility** Chair: Elena Smolarz, *BCDSS, University of Bonn*

Der Zar und seine Experten - wer braucht hier wen? Asymmetrische soziale Abhängigkeiten im Russland des 17. Jahrhunderts

Stefan Schneck, Berlin (online)

Religious Aspects of Forced Migration into Muscovy. Interconfessional Interactions of Dependent Foreigners in Mid-17th Century Russian Towns

Simon Dreher, University of Münster

Slaves without Slavery? Dependent Africans in the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth Vitali Byl, BCDSS, University of Bonn

3:30 – 4:00 PM – Coffee Break

4:00 – 5:30 PM **Panel 4 Serfs** Chair: Jan Kusber, *University of Mainz*

People of Unknown Origin in 18th Century Russia Andrey V. Gornostaev, University of Toronto (online)

How Extractive Was Russian Serfdom? Income Inequality in Moscow Province in the Early 19th Century

Elena Korchmina, University of Bologna

Serfdom in 18th Century Russia: Slave, Kholop, Baptized Property, Non-Orthodox (An Exploration of the Concept of "Asymmetrical Dependency")

Lena Marasinova, University of Münster

7:00 PM – Conference Dinner for organizers, chairs & speakers

Friday, March 7, 2025

9:00 – 10:30 AM **Panel 5 Gender / Intersectional** Chair: Julia Herzberg, *GWZO, University of Leipzig*

Trafficking in Women in 17th Century Eastern Siberia Angelina Kalashnikova, University of Kiel

Sexual Hierarchy in Early Modern Russia: Power, Inequality, Masculinity, Male Same-Sex Desire Hanna Filipova, University of Gothenburg

Graded Dependency and Interpersonal Violence in Lithuania during the First Half of the Seventeenth Century Angela Rustemeyer, University of Düsseldorf

10:30 – 11:00 AM – Coffee Break

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM **Panel 6 Agency** Chair: Ingrid Schierle, *University of Tübingen*

The Cost of Silence: Struggles between the Enslaved and the Enslavers in the Early Modern Crimean Khanate **Turkana Allahverdiyeva,** *BCDSS, University of Bonn*

A Peasant War After All? The Pugachev Rebellion and Emancipation from Below Kirill Ospovat, University of Wisconsin-Madison

The Comparison of Russian Runaway Bondspeople in the Hetmanate and Poland-Lithuania

Stanislav Mohylnyi, BCDSS, University of Bonn

12:30 – 1:30 PM **Wrap-up**