Making and Breaking Global Order in the Twentieth Century
Leiden University, 14-15 October 2022 (preconference, 13 October)


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Preconference: Thursday, 13 October, The Hague
Schouwburgstraat Building (room: Living Lab), The Hague

15:00 – 17:00  Workshop
Archives and methods: Researching 20th century global ordering

Convener, Francine McKenzie (Western University)
in discussion with

Duncan Money (Leiden University)
Christy Thornton (Johns Hopkins University)
Nira Wickramasinghe (Leiden University)

Workshop open to invited PhD scholars as well as all conference participants

17:15 – 18:45  Mobilized History Event
Roundtable Debate: Is the Russia-Ukraine War a Global War? What role for the United Nations?

Featuring faculty from Leiden University

Chair: André Gerrits

Vineet Thakur (Institute for History)
Anna-Alexandra Marhold (Institute of Public Law / Grotius Centre)
Gjovalin Macaj (Institute of Political Science)
Giles Scott-Smith (Leiden University College)

Open to the public

Day 1: Friday, 14 October 2022, Leiden
Lipsius Building, Leiden / Academy Building, Leiden

Lipsius, room 147, Leiden University

09:00 – 09:15 Welcome and Introductory Remarks

09:15 – 11:15 Panel 1: Arrested Decolonization

Christy Thornton (Johns Hopkins University)
*Latin America, Development, and the Limits of the Global Order*

Júlio B.P. Cattai (Universidade de São Paulo)
*From authoritarianism to democracy: Brazilian transition and the rise of the Global order*

Emma Kluge (European University Institute)
*West Papua and the Politics of Self-determination*

Elisabeth Leake (Tufts University.)
*Afghanistan, Normative Statehood, and the (Un)Making of the Twentieth-Century Global Order*

Chair, Carolien Stolte (Leiden University)

[11:15-11:30, coffee break]

11:30 – 13:00 Panel 2: Whose Rights?

Brooks Marmon (Ohio State University)
*Prelude to Unilateralism: Abortive Independence Bids in Pre-Federation Southern Rhodesia, 1948 & 1950*

Ria Kapoor (Queen Mary, University of London)
*Race, Place, and Resettlement: The Ugandan Asians and the UNHCR after 1972*

Ana Sofía Rodríguez-Everaert (El Colegio de Mexico)
*The rights of all migrant workers as Third World politics. The rise and fall of an International Convention, 1978-1990*

Chair, Eva-Maria Muschik (University of Vienna)
Panel 3: Global Trade and Resource Extraction

Raphaël Orange-Leroy (CY Cergy Paris / Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne)
Striving for cooperation: Early findings on the involvement of the IMF in the creation of the UNCTAD (1962-1964)

Alessandro Iandolo (University College London)
The Unbearable Lightness of Liberalism: The USSR, UNCTAD, and the Idea of Global Trade

Luis Garrido Soto (SUNY, Binghamton) [joining online]
“We Peoples of the Third World, Who Did Not Speak Out at Bretton Woods”: World Monetary Crisis, the Smithsonian Agreement, and UNCTAD III, 1971-1972

Saima Nakuti Ashipala (University of the Free State)
Raw Diplomacy: Material Interests, the United Nations and the Thwarted Path to Namibian Independence

Chair, Paul van Trigt (Leiden University)

[16:00-16:15, mobile coffee break, shifting to Academy Building]

Small Auditorium, Academy Building, Leiden University

16:15 – 18:00

Keynote
Roundtable on Historiography: New(er) Histories of the United Nations

Glenda Sluga (European University Institute)
Sunil Amrith (Yale University) [joining online]

Chair, Alanna O’Malley (Leiden University)

More information about the Keynote event: here.
Day 2: Saturday, 15 October 2022, Leiden
Lipsius Building, Leiden

Lipsius, room 148, Leiden University

9:00 - 11:00  
Panel 4: South-South Ordering

Molly Avery (Queen Mary, University of London)
*The World Anti-Communist League and the blurring of lines between 'state' and 'non-state' actors in the late 1970s*

Rebecca Herman (UC Berkeley)
*Greenpeace, Argentina, and the Challenge of Global Environmentalism*

Tycho van der Hoog (Leiden) & Kim Suweon (Hankuk University of Foreign Studies)
*South-South Solidarity: The United Nations and Inter-Korean Competition in Africa*

Chair: Anne-Isabelle Richard (Leiden University)

[11:00-11:15, coffee break]

11:15 – 13:15  
Panel 5: Alternative Internationalisms

Poorvi Bellur (Princeton University)
*Revolution in the East as 'World Revolution': Theorizing Anti-Colonial Solidarity at the Second Congress of the Communist International*

Ismay Milford (Leipzig University)
*The UN via someone else’s struggle: Competition and confraternity in postwar pan-Africanism*

Muhammad Suhail Bin Mohamed Yazid (University of Cambridge)
*Tunku Abdul Rahman and the politics of a ‘Muslim Commonwealth’, 1961-69*

George Roberts (University of Sheffield / European University Institute)
*Reviving Eurafrique: the Club de Dakar, transnational capital, and continental interdependence, 1974-88*

Chair, Frank Gerits (Utrecht University)
**Panel 6: Asia and World-Making**

Erez Manela (Harvard University) [joining online]  
*Visions of One World*

Pasuth Thothaveesansuk (UNC, Chapel Hill)  
*The First Signatory of the UN Charter: China’s Influence on the Postwar International Order*

Raphaëlle Khan (City College of New York-CUNY)  
*Sovereignty after the Empire and the Search for a New Order: India’s Attempt to Negotiate a Common Citizenship in the Commonwealth (1947-1949)*

Tomoko Takahashi (University of Tokyo)  
*Two Questions of Sovereignty: China and the Global South in the United Nations General Assembly (1971-1990)*

Chair, Lydia Walker (Ohio State University)  

[16:45-17:00, coffee break]

**Lipsius, room 011, Leiden University**

**17:00 – 18:30**  
**Plenary: A Revisionist History of the United Nations**  
Alanna O’Malley (Leiden University)  
Lydia Walker (Ohio State University)