

Workshop program

Making and unmaking volatility: contextualising crises in deltaic lifeworlds

Central European Time (CET, GMT+1)

13. January

08.30 Opening and Welcome address (Benoit Ivars and Franz Krause)

08.40 Introductory round

09.00 River islands in the Delta? Chars destabilize the land-water binary (Kuntala Lahiri-Dutt, Australian National University and Jenia Mukherjee, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur), with Q&A

09.30 Confronting uncertainties in pastoral regions: controlling and caring approaches (Ian Scoones, Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex), with Q&A

10:00 The hard way: volatility and stability in the waters of the Brisbane River delta (Veronica Strang, Durham University), with Q&A

10:30 Break

11:00 Alluvial (is)lands only last for a while: Making “continuity” along an unending ecological frontier, Ayeyarwady Delta, Myanmar (Benoit Ivars, University of Cologne), with Q&A

11:40 Discussion I: Contrasting approaches to socio-environmental transformations and volatility

13:10 Day ends

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09.00 Opening Day II

09.10 ‘*Vida sossegada*’: On living a peaceful life amidst volatile changes on the islands of the Parnaíba Delta, Brazil (Nora Horisberger, University of Cologne), with Q&A

09.50 Sensing delta volatility through hilsa fish (Beth Cullen, University of Westminster), with Q&A

10.20 Deltas in crisis: Towards sophisticated conjunctions and ontological politics—via the Upper Mekong Delta (Casper Bruun Jensen, Osaka University), with Q&A

10.50 Break

11.20 Discussion II: Volatility as a challenge and opportunity

12.50 Break

14.30 Victims and perpetrators facing the double bind of environmental destruction (Thomas Hylland Eriksen, University of Oslo), with Q&A

15.00 Valued volatility: uncertain flux as an asset in the Mackenzie Delta, Canada (Franz Krause, University of Cologne), with Q&A

15.30 Break

16.00 Discussion III: open space

17.30 Day ends

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14.00 Opening Day III

14.10 Anthroposea: Urban life in muddy waters (Nikhil Anand, University of Pennsylvania), with Q&A

14.40 Moving, resting and being stuck within movement in the Sine-Saloum Delta, Senegal (Sandro Simon, University of Cologne), with Q&A

15.20 Mussels and megaprojects: Coastal lives in a sinking city (Kirsten Keller, Aarhus University and University of California Santa Cruz), with Q&A

16.00 Break

16.30 Discussion IV: New approaches to volatility

18.00 Closing remarks and good-bye

18.15 Day ends