# Preliminary Programme

## Workshop

**Spaces of Violence in Democracies**

**Convenors:**
Eva Gerharz (Bochum), Christian Meyer (Siegen), and Joanna Pfaff-Czarnecka (Bielefeld)

**October 24 - 26, 2013**

### Thursday, October 24, 2013

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### Experiencing Violence
Chair: Jonathan Spencer (Edinburgh)

- Eva Rozalia Hölzle (Bielefeld), *Democracy in “No-Man’s Land”? Dispossession, Violence and Fear at the Bangladesh-Assam Border*
- Dorothea Schulz (Cologne), *Specters of a Violent Past: Muslim Politics of Mourning and Public Recognition in Uganda*

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**8.30** - Coffee break -

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### Violent Accumulations
Chair: Christian Meyer (Siegen)

- Nikolaus Schareika / Jannik Schritt (Göttingen), *Oil, Violence and Democracy in Niger*
- Shelley Feldman (Cornell), *Corrosive democracy: Social insecurity, land appropriation, and the demonization of the Hindu minority in Bangladesh*

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**10.30**

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### Un/Democratic Practices
Chair: Dorothea Schulz (Cologne)

- David Pratten (Oxford), *Militant masks: youth and insecurity in the Niger Delta*
- Lucia Michelutti (Oxford), *“Criminal Rajas” in Indian Democracy*

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**13.00**

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**14.00**

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### Round Table Discussion: Violence against Women in South Asian Democracies

Introduction and Moderation by Paula Banerjee (Calcutta)
Discussants: Veena Das (John Hopkins), Meghna Guhathakurta (Dhaka), Darini Rajasingham-Senanayake (Colombo), Ranabir Samadar (Calcutta)

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**17.00**

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**19.00**

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Saturday, October 26, 2013

9.00 Democratic Experiments vis-à-vis Religion
Chair: Shelley Feldman (Cornell)

Jonathan Spencer (Edinburgh)
“No armed groups here”: Experiments with Democracy in Eastern Sri Lanka

10.00 - Coffee break -

10.30 Democratic Responses to Violence against Outsiders?
Chair: Joanna Pfaff-Czarnecka (Bielefeld)

Meghna Guhathakurta (Dhaka)
Understanding Violence, Strategizing Protection: Perspectives from ‘Rohingya’ Refugees in Bangladesh

Ellen Bal (Amsterdam)
Whose land is it anyway? Spaces of violence in Chittagong Hill Tracts, Bangladesh

12.30 Final Discussion

13.00 Snack

Departure

Discussants for all panels:

David Gellner (Oxford)
Heinz-Gerhard Haupt (Bielefeld)
Ranabir Samadar (Calcutta)