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The Determinants of Social Change

Winter term 2015 / 2016, Mondays, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
Seminar room Ankerstraße 3b

- 19.10. **François Bertemes, Georg Fertig, Chris Hann:** Complex societies in a long-term perspective
Reading (at least two of the following papers):
François Bertemes: Thinking Globally About Early Metallurgy: Resources, Knowledge and the Acceleration of Inequality (Paper presented at the International Conference ‘Inequality, Scale, and Civilisation’, 8-11 July 2015, MPI Halle).
Jack Goody: Asia and Europe. In: History and Anthropology 26 (2015) no. 3, pp. 263-307 (DOI: 10.1080/02757206.2015.1048072).
Patrick Heady / Lale Yalçın-Heckmann : “We were never ‘bronze-age’”: systems of local equality in the south-west Eurasian countryside and the advance of ‘bronze-age’ stratification (Paper presented at the International Conference ‘Inequality, Scale, and Civilisation’, 8-11 July 2015, MPI Halle).
David Wengrow / David Graeber: “Farewell to the ‘childhood of man’: ritual, seasonality, and the origins of inequality”. In: Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute 21 (2015), pp. 597-619.
- 26.10. **Georg Fertig:** Long-term economic growth
Reading:
Tine de Moor / Jan Luiten van Zanden: Girl power: The European marriage pattern and labour markets in the North Sea region in the late medieval and early modern period. In: The Economic History Review 63 (2010) no. 1, pp. 1-33.
- 2.11. **Georg Fertig, Patrick Heady, Mikołaj Szoltysek:** Kinship in the long view
Reading:
David W. Sabeen / Simon Teuscher / Jon Mathieu (eds.): Kinship in Europe. Approaches to Long-term Development (1300-1900). Oxford 2007, pp. 1-32. Further suggestion: pp. 51-56, 187-192.
- 9.11. **(!!! Main seminar room, Advokatenweg 36!!!)**
David Kertzer (Brown University, Providence, USA): Anthropology, Demography, and History
- 16.11. **Stefan Pfeiffer**
Reading:
Walter Scheidel: Creating a Metropolis: A Comparative Demographic Perspective. In: William V. Harris / Giovanni Ruffini (eds.): Ancient Alexandria between Egypt and Greece. Leiden 2004, pp. 1-31.
- 23.11. **Mikołaj Szoltysek:** 'Great transformations' and their critics: the case of the theory of the demographic transition
Reading:

Mikołaj Szoltysek: Science without Laws? Model Building, Micro Histories and the Fate of the Theory of Fertility Decline, in: Historical Social Research 32 (2007), no. 2, pp. 10-41.

Mikołaj Szoltysek: Beweis und Gegenbeweis: Kontroverse Ansichten zum historischen Geburtenrückgang. Eine kurze Geschichte von einer unfertigen wissenschaftlichen Debatte. Manuskript der Öffentlichen Vorlesung im Rahmen des Habilitationsverfahrens an der Martin-Luther-Universität.

30.11. **Georg Fertig:**

Reading:

Charles Tilly: Coercion, Capital and European States, AD 990-1990. Oxford 1990, pp. 1-37.

7.12. **Lale Yalçın-Heckmann:** Theories of migration and social change

Reading:

Everett Lee: A theory of migration. In: Robin Cohen (ed.): Theories of Migration. Cheltenham 1996, pp. 14-24.

Stephen Castles: The factors that make and unmake migration policies. In: International Migration Review 38 (2004) no. 3, pp. 852-884.

14.12. **Helga Bumke**

Reading:

Evelyn Lord Smithson: The Tomb of a Rich Athenian Lady, CA. 850 B.C.. In: Hesperia 37 (1968) no. 1, pp. 77-116.

(optional) J. N. Coldstream: The Rich Lady of the Areiopagos and her Contemporaries. In: Hesperia 64 (1995) no. 4, pp. 391-403.

11.1. **François Bertemes**

Reading:

William E. Boyd / Nigel Chang: Integrating social and environmental change in prehistory: A discussion of the role of landscape as a heuristic in defining prehistoric possibilities in NE Thailand. In: S. Haberle / J. Stevenson / M. Prebble (eds.): Terra Australis: 21: Altered ecologies – fire, climate and human influence on terrestrial landscapes. Canberra 2010, pp. 273-297.

18.1. **Michael Kopsidis** (Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies, Halle): Where is the backward peasant?

Reading: TBA

25.1. **Lale Yalçın-Heckmann:** Households, kinship, families and social change in anthropology

Reading:

Richard R. Wilk / Robert McC. Netting: Households: Changing Forms and Functions. In: Robert McC. Netting et.al. (eds.): Households: Comparative and Historical Studies of the Domestic Group. Berkeley (Cal.) 1984, pp. 1-28.

Linda Stone: Introduction: Theoretical Implications of New Directions in Anthropological Kinship. In: Linda Stone (ed.): New Directions in Anthropological Kinship. Lanham 2001, pp. 1-20.