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Time (CET)	DAY 1 - THURSDAY 23.09.2021			
Opening Ceremony (Greetings by Officials, Organizational)				
08:00 – 09:30	1.Introduction of Guests by Dr. Sethunya T. Mosime, the HoD of Sociology	2.Welcome Remarks by Prof. David Norris, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Botswana	3.Speech by the German Ambassador to Botswana, Ms Margit Hellwig-Boette born	4.Speech and Official Opening of the Conference by the Minister of Research and Tertiary Education, Dr. Douglas Letsholathebe
09:30 – 10:00	Break			
10:00 – 11:30	Opening Lecture 1		Opening Lecture 2	
	Gabriel Faimau & Nina Baur: Decolonizing Social Science Methodology & Cross-Cultural Research (Working Title)		Gaurav Raheja and Angela Million: Transdisciplinary Research and Design-Based Methods (Working Title)	
11:30 – 12:00	Break			
12:00 – 13:00	Sabelo Ndlovu-Gatsheni: Keynote 1 - Decolonization as Method			
13:00 – 14:00	Break			
14:00 – 16:00 (6 papers)	Stream A: Decolonizing Cross-Cultural Research			
	02 Decolonizing Social Science Methodology – Overcoming Positivism and Constructivism			
	1.Analytical frameworks as epistemological and methodological interfaces for a decolonized social science methodology - Christian Schneiderberg	2.How to decolonize sociological research? Lessons from Ecuadorian sociology - Philipp Altmann	3.A group of transformation: Structural Anthropology as a Decolonial Political Epistemology - Heike Delitz	
	4.Thinking Sideways across Webbed Connectivities: Decolonizing Imperial Spatialities and Temporalities - Vrushali Patil	5.Decolonizing scholar’s methodological stances based upon Second Wave of Southern Perspectives - Sangeeta Bagga-Gupta	6.Grounded Theory and Reflexivity as Decolonial Methodologies - Janet Arnado	



Stream B: Transdisciplinary Research and Design-Based Methods

15 Art and Design Based-Research, Cross-Disciplinary Approaches for Material Knowledge Production

1. Art and Design Based-Research, Cross-Disciplinary Approaches for Material Knowledge Production - Ilana Boltvinik

2. Mapping Urban Borders: A methodological approach from an “interdesign” perspective to the landscape units in metropolitan cities. The case of Buenos Aires and its agglomeration in Argentina - Mitchell de Sousa

3. Alternatives in the creation of art within an academic perspective: smoke as an in-between space - Darío Meléndez

4. The art of Kent Monkman and the fluidity of difference: A methodological proposition – Renate Dohmen

5. A more inclusive art market by mistake, the social relevance of fluid art to global art material market - Pablo Angel Lugo

6. Mapping urban imaginaries. Place and belonging in Windhoek - Stephanie Roland

Stream C: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods

24 Digital Methods in Action: Use, Challenges and Prospects

1. Digital Methods in Action: Use, Challenges and Prospects - Gabriel Faimau

2. Measuring travel behaviour via a smartphone - Vera Toepoel

3. The digital and digitalised self: The use of selfie as a methodological and discursive strategy in the relational experiences among young people in Botswana - Wame Maryjoy Kesebonye

4. Fieldwork reflective views on web-based surveys among young people in Botswana - Tumisang Tsholetso

5. Using a Facebook group for data collection as an alternative to conventional ethnographic methods during the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic – challenges and opportunities - Cornelia Thierbach

6. Prophetic Ministries and Religious Flyers in Botswana: of Urban and Digital Spaces? - Tshoganetso Dolly Ramooki

Stream D: Methods for Specific Research Fields

27 Methods in Food Studies Research 1

Methods in Food Studies Research - Linda Hering

Food waste methodologies in Covid19-times – German case studies - Ulrich Juergens

Mapping Food Chains. Approaching translocality through spatial analysis and visualization - Anke Hagemann



Social interview in food studies: a necessity for Brazilian researchers - Joana Pellerano

Food Security in Urban Areas in Botswana: Methodological Considerations - Gwen Lesetedi

Towards bridging the positivist/phenomenological divide in food and nutrition security research - France Maphosa

Stream E: Methods Short Courses

(Yet to be organized)

16:00 – 16:30

Discussion or Break

16:30 – 18:30

Stream A: Decolonizing Cross-Cultural Research

01 Decolonizing Social Science Methodology – Towards African Epistemologies

1.Unpacking the Methodological and Epistemological Paradox in the Social Sciences: Towards African Epistemologies - Boniface Nevanji Bwanyire

2.Africanizing Social Work Research and Practice: Perspectives from Fieldwork Experience in Nigeria - Kenechukwu Anugwom

3.Decoloniality -decolonisation debate: convergent or divergent frameworks? - Chadzimula Molebatsi

4.Decolonizing Procurement: Overcoming systemic barriers to equity- Rita S. Fierro

5.The African Inspection - Nyakallo Lekuta

6.Decoloniality and the production of space: what does it really mean? - Seabo Morobolo

Stream B: Transdisciplinary Research and Design-Based Methods

16 The Contribution of Urban Design to the Qualitative Methodology Discourse

1.Hermeneutics – Interaction – Social Structure- Kai-Olaf Maiwald

2.Stories are not told in a vacuum; The contribution of urban design to spatializing narrative inquiry - Maryam Saedi

3.Postcolonial and Territorialized Perspectives for contextualized planning practices in the thematic Global South(s): A cultural-sensitive approach - Janek Becker

4.Innovative analytical approach to urban space: syntactic reading of the city of Sétif in Algeria - Wiem Zerouati

5.The Contribution of Urban Design to the Qualitative Methodology Discourse - Shamin Golrokh

6.A retrospective of the outdoor spaces in a renewed residential community in Nanjing before renewal - Kexin Cheng



Stream C: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods

25 Researching Climate Change Communication: Methodological Challenges and Opportunities in the Digital Era

1. Researching Climate Change Communication: Methodological Challenges and Opportunities in the Digital Era - Anthony M. Gunde

2. Climate Change Communication and Activism: Challenges in Conducting Ethnographical Research During the Covid-19 Pandemic - Antonio Nucci

3. Theorizing conspiracy theories: A call for critical eclecticism - Joschka Philipps

4. Print Media Coverage and the Socio-Contextual Representation of Climate Change in Botswana - Gabriel Faimau

Stream D: Methods for Specific Research Fields

27 Methods in Food Studies Research 2

1. Ethical dilemma in researching on food insecurity in Nigeria: A case study of Enugu State - Ngozi Stella Udechukwu

2. Multisensory Discourse Resource Analysis in Foodscapes: Decolonizing Ethnographic Research Practices - Nettie Boivin

Stream E: Methods Short Courses

(Yet to be organized)

18:30 – 19:00

Discussion or Break

19:00 – 21:00

RC33 Business meeting

DAY 2 – FRIDAY 24.09.2021

08:30 – 09:30

Wolfgang Aschauer: Keynote 2 - Quantitative Cross-Cultural Research

09:30 – 10:00

Break



10:00 – 11:30
(4 papers)

Stream A: Decolonizing Cross-Cultural Research

33 Feminist Methodologies

1. Interpreting Gender Inclusion in Urban Public Space Paradigms in India - Aishwarya Isha

2. Mapping for Change? Resituating 'Slow Time'. Craftwomanship and Power - Natasha Aruri

3. Methodologies in a postcolonial world – between accuse and excuse. Affirmative Sabotage as a tool for more responsibility in postcolonial-feminist research - Sandra Altenberger

4. Gender relations and (suburban) space in the 21st century – investigating the implicit impact of feminist planning critique - Henriette Bertram

Stream B: Transdisciplinary Research and Design-Based Methods

14 Methods of Architectural Research

1. Methods of Architectural Research - Silke Steets

2. The mosque in the gas station: the overlay as well as the change of spaces and meanings or in short: "This is (not) a mosque" - Kathrin Herz

3. Situated Order: Ways of a Practice-Theoretical, Pragmatist based Architectural Research - Christine Neubert

Stream C: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods

34 Quantitative Methods of Spatial Analysis

1. Application of spatial methods to optimize Antiretroviral (ARV) uptake in rural Botswana - Mathogonolo Kelepile

2. Using GIS for a typomorphological analysis of four university campuses in Algeria - Youcef Mokrane

3. Environmental Inequality in Four European Cities. A Study Combining Household Survey and Geo-Referenced Data analyzed by spatial regression models - Andreas Diekmann

4. Geomorphologic and topographic conditions influences in shoreline dynamic analysis along the southern coast of Rufisque department (Dakar/Senegal) - Ibrahima Pouye



Stream D: Methods for Specific Research Fields

26 Money and Digitalisation in the Global South

1. Money and Digitalisation in the Global South - Sean Maliehe

The Postcolonial Infrastructure of Mobile Money - Jürgen Schraten

Making digitalisation, making money: Methodological challenges of doing anthropology with digitalising monies - Detlev Krige

'The state and the world economy on the local scenery': ethnographic reflections from Diepsloot in postcolonial South Africa - Sean Maliehe

Stream E: Methods Short Courses
(Yet to be organized)

11:30 – 12:00

Discussion or Break

12:00 – 13:00

Bagele Chilisa: Keynote 3 - Indigenous Research Methods and Spatial Methods in Africa

13:00 – 14:00

Break

14:00 – 16:00
(6 papers)

Stream A: Decolonizing Cross-Cultural Research

05 Critical Conversations on Bagele Chilisa's Indigenous Research Methodologies

1. Critical Conversations on Bagele Chilisa's Indigenous Research Methodologies - Sethunya Tshepho Mosime

2. Participatory Approaches to address Social Cohesion in Sustainability Research - Michael Weinhardt

3. Doing Indigenist Methodology among Indigenous Peoples - Delfo Canceran

4. Relational perspectives and history: Understanding polycentric networks in the Sonoran Desert and the African Great Lakes - Axel Utz

5. Lessons on Indigeneity from Teaching and Learning - Caitlin Mapitsa



Stream B: Transdisciplinary Research and Design-Based Methods

31 Towards co-producing knowledge and teaching methodologies in applied urban settings 1

1. Towards co-producing knowledge and teaching methodologies in applied urban settings- Astrid Ley

2. The in: take-project - A bottom-up teaching-project towards a transdisciplinary, transformative and collaborative design-approach - Hendrik Weinerr

3. Learning from Urbane Praxis - Mattheq Crabbe

4. To Hear the City's Voice: Enacting Collective Memory in the University Journalism Training- Olena Semenets

5. European universities on African soil? Methodological challenges in the colonisation of the curriculum of African universities - France Maphosa

6. Mapping urban morphology on OSM for the purpose of Urban analysis teaching. Towards a teaching-learning experiment of Architecture master Students at the University of Biskra, Algeria - Youcef Mokrane

7. PPM-ESPRESSO - Project Learning and Transformation through Students' Projects in a Real-World Lab - Ulrich Holzbaur

8. Assessing a teaching methodology to reduce university students' ecological footprint- Claire Wagner

Stream C: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods

23 Assessing the Quality of Survey Data

Combining Research Elicited Data and Processed Produced Data in the Sociology of Deviance - Khumo Motshwari

2. Challenges of Representativeness in Survey Research: An Evaluation of the ERIK Surveys 2020 - Diana Schacht

3. Evidence on Non-Response and Coverage Bias in German Provider Surveys - Lisa Ulrich

4. Pilot studies: A useful Methodological Principle in Quantitative Research - Joy Tauetsile



Stream D: Methods for Specific Research Fields

32 Methods for Health, Disabilities and Childhood Studies

1. A relational approach to study learning trajectories of young people from postcolonial Benin - Sabrina Maurus

2. Emancipatory Research Methodology in Disability Studies - Sourav Mukhopadhyay

3. Inclusive Play Spaces for Children with Special Needs: +AS124 A methodological enquiry into Urban Indian context - Gaurav Raheja

4. Interview as a social practice and the self-reflexivity to postcolonial childhood studies - Pamela Dumet Paredes

5. Positivism and constructivism in the study of health behaviours of adolescents in Botswana - Sinah Kgosietsile

6. Researching the lived experience of Cancer patients in Botswana: A post-structuralism approach - Robert Mompoti Molebatsi

Stream E: Methods Short Courses
(Yet to be organized)

16:00 – 16:30

Discussion or Break

16:30 – 18:30
(6 papers)

Stream A: Decolonizing Cross-Cultural Research

03. Decolonizing Methodologies and Epistemologies: Discourse Analysis and Sociology of Knowledge

1. Application of Triangulation in Discourse Analysis (Case Study: Sustainable Development in Iran Development Plans) - Samaneh Niazkhani

2. Using methodologies to forge new visions of interculturality - Emilian Franco

3. With Digital Discourses to Decolonial Analyses? Critical Reflections on a Discourse Analysis of the 'Benin Bronzes' in Newspapers from Nigeria, Great Britain and Germany - Isabel Eiser

4. Sponsored or agential 'autogestants'? A critical discourse analysis of urban informal settlements in Zimbabwe - Langtone Maunganidze

5. Modern Times? or entangled spaces of modernity. Discourses of modernization and self-perceptions of Kenyan middle-class members - Jochen Kibel

6. Political Struggles, Contested Narratives and Knowledge Production about the Eritrean State - Biniam Misgun



Stream B: Transdisciplinary Research and Design-Based Methods
31 Towards co-producing knowledge and teaching methodologies in applied urban settings 2

Stream C: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods

22 Survey Data Quality in Interviewer-Administered Surveys in LMIC Contexts

1.The Anchoring Method: Estimation of Interviewer Effects in the Absence of Interpenetrated Sample Assignment - Brady West

2.Introducing real-time quality control systems for face-to-face interviewing - Alexandra Cronberg

3.Do SMS messages improve response rates in a longitudinal phone survey? Evidence from an electricity sector survey in Benin - Sarah Hughes

4.Data Quality Control approaches in the LeCellPHIA phone based COVID-19 Surveillance Survey - Gerald Mwima

Stream D: Methods for Specific Research Fields

29 Ethical and Methodological Dilemmas of Social Research in Violent Conflict Situations

1.Decoupling or Recoupling? – The Methodological Challenge in Studying the West African Neo-Pentecostal/Charismatic Field as a Business-Ethical Space - Isaac Osei-Tutu

2.‘It’s About Going an Extra Mile with High Risk-Sensitive Populations’: Reflections on Using Semi-Structured Interviews with Male Sex Workers - Lesedi Mashumba

3.Between Ethics and Doing It: Reflections on Fieldwork Experience in Northeast Nigeria - Edlyne Anugwom

4.Measuring space-time relationships between civilian deaths and cultural violence in Syria - Fiona Greenland

18:30 – 19:00

Discussion or Break

19:00 – 21:00

Social Programme



DAY 3 - SATURDAY 25.09.2021

08:00 – 09:30

Stream A: Decolonizing Cross-Cultural Research

11 Between the Structural and the Everyday: Bridging Macro- and Micro-Perspectives in Comparative Urban Research

1. Responding to the Indifference of Infrastructure: Comparative Research in Johannesburg and Maputo - Alexandra Parker

2. Everyday particularities within structural similarities: A comparative case study on the Ruhr Agglomeration in Germany and the La Paz metropolitan area in Bolivia - Fabio Bayro Kaiser

3. Socio-Spatial Relationships in Vertical Housing during COVID times: A Study in Urban Indian Neighbourhood Context - Divyang Purkayastha

a documentary film Ways of Moving: everyday experiences traversing a fragmented cityscape - Kristen Kornienko

Stream B: Transdisciplinary Research and Design-Based Methods

30 Transdisciplinary or collaborative? Lab approaches and their influence on participatory and action research methods

1. Transdisciplinary or collaborative? Lab approaches and their influence on participatory and action research Methods - Robert Barbarino

2. Participatory evaluation of Real-world Laboratories: Findings from a Literature Review - Teresa Kampfmann

3. Local collaborative design-projects as catalyst and research-instrument of urban transformations- Hendrik Weiner
Laboratories as co-production dispositive for housing and urban practice: lessons from Latin America and the Caribbean - Hector Becerril

Stream C: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods

**Stream E: Methods Short Courses
(Yet to be organized)**

09:30 – 10:00

Break



10:00 – 12:00
(6 papers)

Stream A: Decolonizing Cross-Cultural Research

12 Methodologies for the Investigation of Spatial Transformation Processes

1.Social Sustainability in Urban Neighbourhoods. Investigating Spatial Transformation Processes in Berlin - Moabit and Hamburg-Wilhelmsburg in Germany by an Ethnographic Discourse Analysis - Gabriela Christmann

2.Understanding transformation processes through spatial comparison - Ralph Richter

5.A Space of Dissapearance: Colombia's rubble heap - Ludmila Ferrari

4.Detroit and Spatial Productions of Two-ness - Nicole Trujillo-Pagan

3.Spatial Transformation Processes as Sustained Multi-level and Cross-scalar Processes of Social Innovation: An appeal for Linking Discourses and Dispositifs in Investigations of Local Development - Sune Stoustrup

6.Spatial mapping of interactional narratives and socio-semiotic environment (sociolinguistics) - William Kelleher

Stream B: Transdisciplinary Research and Design-Based Methods

19 The Role of 'Productive Interactions' between Researchers and Stakeholders in Creating Rigorous and Relevant Research for Urban Sustainability

1.Human Centric Approaches on Urban Futures - Angela Million

2.The Role of 'Productive Interactions' between Researchers and Stakeholders in Creating Rigorous and Relevant Research for Urban Sustainability- Jacques du Toit

5.Beyond community representation by including vulnerable groups in housing research - Ulrike Fettke

4.Productive interactions mapping as a method for evaluating the social impact of planning research - Amy Pieterse

3.Mobile Autoethnography; Reframing Interdisciplinary Methodological Toolkit of Urban Design - Mohammad Nazarpour

6.Looking for Democracy in Open Space Planning: An analysis of the transformation of Park am Gleisdreieck in Germany's capital Berlin.- Flavia Mameli

35 Broadening the View on Mixed Methods Research in the Social Sciences

1.Mixed Methods in Spatial Research - Cornelia Thierbach

2. Insights on combining quantitative and qualitative methods in the study of the adoption of technology in an African University - Esther Nkhukhu-Orlando



4. Application of mixed methods research to the study of sustainable urban futures: a retrospective approach to Metropolitan Municipal and District Medium Term Planning in Ghana - Fauster Agbenyo

5. Reading of a place through a multi-method approach: case study of a territory in the Metropolitan Area of Lisbon - Madalena Corte-Real

(Yet to be organized)

12:00 – 12:30

Discussion or Break

12:30 – 13:30

Gabriele Rosenthal: Keynote 4 – Biographical Research in Africa

13:30 – 14:30

Break

14:30 – 16:30
(6 papers)

Stream A: Decolonizing Cross-Cultural Research

6 Socio-spatial research in postcolonial states: urban and political economy perspectives

1.Space, community, and identity in Botswana - Ikanyeng Stonto Malila

2.Pulsing Grounds: A collaborative research project tackling Beirut's emerging actor constellations and power relations through a data driven approach to knowledge co-production - Balsam Madi

3. Tracing policies and politics behind the spatial development of the tea landscapes of Assam: A perspective from North-east India - Bars-ha Amarendra

4. Qualitative Methods for Street Naming Research in a Postcolonial African Context- Eric Yankson

5. Women and political representation in Botswana: 55 years after independence and beyond - Tshephang Dipogiso

6.Decolonizing "Work": Prioritizing Life - Melanie E L Bush

Stream B: Transdisciplinary Research and Design-Based Methods

20 Knowledge Creation in Informal Settlements: The Process, Ethics and Outputs of Co-Productive and Community-Led Research Methods

1. Knowledge Creation in Informal Settlements: The Process, Ethics and Outputs of Co-Productive and Community-Led Research Methods - Jakub Galuszka

2. The Liveable Life in Slums - Neele Eicker

3. Coproduction for co-optation or transformative urban agendas - Chadzimula Molebatsi

4. Decolonizing Methods and Actionable Whanau: The intersection of theoretical, epistemological, and citizen participation constructs that gets us to co-created aroha - Aubrey John Chirwa

5. An examination of participatory communication approaches in disaster risk reduction programmes in Malawi - John Gaber



	Stream C: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods		
	9 Interpretative and Multi-Method Approaches to Global-South-Migration		
	1. Interpretative and Multi-Method Approaches to Global-South-Migration - Arne Worm	2. Using Multi-Site Ethnography for Return Migration Studies during the Pandemic Covid-19, The Case of Lampung Province, Indonesia - Helmia Adita Fitra	3. Guangzhou: A Jungle for African diaspora and for Knowledge Production - Liang Chen
	4. Researching current migration: A case for theoretical and methodological eclecticism - Christopher Ntau	5. Methodological challenges to the understanding of the relationship between climate change and migration in Africa - France Maphosa	6. A multi-dimensional and multi-data approach for understanding socio-spatial inequality shaping and reshaping urban-rural transitional zones - Ava Lynam
	Stream E: Methods Short Courses (Yet to be organized)		
16:30 – 17:00	Discussion or Break		
17:00 – 19:00	Closing Lecture: Fraya Frehse (Title to be announced) & Closing Ceremony		
END OF CONFERENCE			