

# inhabiting the corridor: surging resource economies and urban life in east africa

THURSDAY

27 OCTOBER 2016

2:30 – 3:00

Welcome address: Points of Departure: LÉONIE NEWHOUSE

## 3:00 – 5:00 Session I: Inhabiting the City

*Hustling, spending time, and making work on the slum streets of Nairobi.*

TATIANA THIEME, University College London

*Building at the edges*

HANNAH ROSE ELLIOT, University of Copenhagen

*Inhabiting Nairobi: A City 'Mobilized' through Infrastructure*

PRINCE GUMA, Darmstadt Technical University,

*Multi-vocalities in production of Railway Corridors in Nairobi*

STEVE AKOTH, Pamoja Trust

Discussant: AJAY GANDHI, University of Amsterdam/ MPI MMG

6:00 – 7:00

Keynote: ABDOUMALIQ SIMONE

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## 8:30 – 10:00 Session II: Foreign Agents

*A Grid of Three Colors: 'Asian' Finance as Emergency Power amidst Tanzania's Energy Reforms*

MICHAEL DEGANI, Johns Hopkins University

*Mining 'in the Bush': Spatializing Translocal Capital in Zambia*

ROHIT NEGI, School of Human Ecology Delhi

Discussant: Elena Gadjanova

## 10:30 – 12:30 Session III: Maritime Corridors: Hinterland, Port, Sea

*On Navigation*

JATIN DUA, University of Michigan

*Contesting Visions of City and Nation: The Lamu Port Project and an Indian Ocean*

NIDHI MAHAJAN, Mellon Saywer Seminar at Tufts University,

*Swahili traders as classic intermediaries along (growth) corridors or, rather, as part of a more fluid, translocal Indian Ocean space across and beyond corridors?*

JULIA VERNE, University of Bonn

*Justice and ethics within a multidirectional mnemoeconomics framework*

JOHN KARUGIA, Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt

Discussant TILMANN HEIL

## 1:30 – 3:00 Session IV: Communicating regions

*Mobilising Somaliland: Popular Culture, Identity and Belonging in Hargeisa*

YUSUF SERUNKUMA, Makerere Institute for Social Research

*The regional option—networks, knowledge and not seeking asylum*

LÉONIE NEWHOUSE, MPI MMG

*Planning "integration" along Ethiopia's urban/region interfaces*

JESSE MCCLELLAND, University of Washington

Discussant: LOREN LANDAU (remotely)

## 3:30 – 5:00 Session V: Territories of social life

*'We search for Life': Mobilities, infrastructure and the Congolese from Eastern DR Congo*

NALUWEMBE BINAISA, MPI MMG & DOMINIQUE

JOLIVET, International Migration Institute Oxford University

*Circulation and accretion: suburban accumulation in Dar es Salaam*

CLAIRE MERCER, London School of Economics

*Re-positioning the nation: political crisis and the discourse of the nation in Mombasa*

NATASHA SHIVJI, University of Dodoma/NYU

Discussant: NELLIE CHU, CETREN University of Göttingen

## 5:00 – 6:30 Session VI: Collaboratory Breakouts

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## 9:00 – 10:30 Session VII: Infrastructures on the run

*The last cement frontier: from crisis to prosperity?*

JULIE ARCHAMBAULT, Concordia University

*Building imaginaries of the futuristic city: Nairobi's 'urban fantasies' and the Kenya Vision 2030*

ELIZABETH WAMUCHIRU, Darmstadt Technical University

*Giving Informality a Room: (Somali) Shopping Centres in Kenya*

TABEA SCHARRER, MPI Halle

Discussant: JONATHAN SILVER, Durham University

## 11:00 – 1:00 Session VIII: Plenary Roundtable: Common grounds

- Lines of connection
- Gathering the strands
- Closing reflections