“Silence after Violence”

PROGRAMME

Wednesday, May 21

Delegates arrive

19.00 Dinner at a local restaurant (at own cost for anyone interested)

Thursday, May 22

8.30 – 9.00 Coffee

9.00 – 10.30 “Silence and the Making of National Communities, I”

“Between Silence and Telling – Apartheid’s Wars”

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee

11.00 – 12.30 “Challenging the Victim Perpetrator Dichotomy”

“Silence and the Making of National Communities, II”

12.30 – 14.00 Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.30 “Betrayal and Silence”

“Gender-based Violence and Silence”

15.30 – 16.00 Coffee

16.00 – 17.30 Keynote Address

18.00 Africa Day memorial lecture

Prof. Takyiwaa Manuh, UN Economic Commission for Africa
“Gendered violence and women's citizenship in Africa”
CR Swart Auditorium

19.00 Conference Dinner, Centenary Hall (plus Africa Day people)

Friday, May 23

8.30 – 9.00 Coffee

9.00 – 10.30 “Silence and the Critique of Trauma”
“Violence, Silence and the Visual Culture”

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee

11.00 – 12.30 “Silence and the Critique of Transitional Justice”

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch Break

13.30 – 15.00 Final discussion

17.00 Braai at Institute (plus SRC)

Saturday, May 24

9.30 – 13.00 Trip to the Vrouemonument and Anglo-Boer War Museum
PANELS

Silence and the Making of National Communities I

- Meaghan Emery, University of Vermont, "Having the last word: Marc Ferro and the historical record of Philippe Petain"
- Reinhart Kössler, Arnold Bergstraesser Institut, Freiburg. "Between Amnesia and Remembrance: On dealing with dire pasts in post-colonial Namibia"

Between Silence and Telling: Apartheid’s Wars

- Heike Becker, Department of Anthropology and Sociology, University of the Western Cape, "Silence, victimhood, and (photo-) voice in Northern Namibia"
- Gary Baines, Department of History, Rhodes University, ‘Trained for Violence and Sworn to Silence: SADF Veterans and the Aftermath of the “Apartheid Wars”’
- Theresa Edlmann, Department of History, Rhodes University, "Understanding the Personal and Social Constructions of Silences in Narrating the Legacies of the Apartheid Wars"

Challenging the Victim / Perpetrator Dichotomy

- Gertrude Kiberinka Fester, "Silences, Secrets and the Unsaid: A Question of Power"
- Doga Ulas Erlap, School of International Service, Program on International Peace and Conflict Resolution, American University, "Reconciliation without an Apology: the Case of Armenian Genocide"

**Silence and the Making of National Communities II**

- Laura De Becker, University of the Witwatersrand, “Forgetting and remembering in post-genocide Rwanda”
- Dorothea Schulz, University of Cologne, “Deafening Silence: The Politics of Mourning and Remembrance in Uganda”

**Betrayal and Silence**

- Nicky Rousseau, University of the Western Cape, "Histories of betrayal and the limits of reconciliation"
- Dennis Klein, Kean University, Professor of History and Director of Master of Arts in Holocaust and Genocide Studies, "Accounting for Testimony: Witnesses' Counter-Narratives of Betrayal and Forgiveness"

**Gender-based Violence and Silence**

- Elham Atashi, Georgetown University, Program on Justice and Peace, "Gender and Silenced Narratives"
- James Burnham Sedgwick, Acadia University, Department of History & Classics, "Crying Shame: War Crimes, Sexual Violence, and the Cost of Speaking Out"

**Silence and the Critique of “Trauma”**
- Friederike Mieth, Social and Cultural Anthropology, Philipps University Marburg, “‘What is the use of talking talking’: Reflections on resilience in postwar societies, Sierra Leone”
- John Ambrosio, Educational Studies, Ball State University, “Judges of Normality: The Obligation to Confess as a Technology of Power”

**Violence, Silence and the Visual Culture**

- Christian Gerlach, University of Bern Switzerland, "Silences and the tragic narrative in Soviet movies about World War II"
- Ronen Steinberg, History Department, Michigan State University, “Sound and Vision: Phantasmagoric Responses to the Reign of Terror"

**Silence and the Critique of Transitional Justice**

- Monica Patterson, Concordia University, Centre for Ethnographic Research and Exhibition in the Aftermath of Violence - "The Silence of Telling: The Emergence and Power of “Good Stories” in and around the TRC"
- Steve Akoth, Pamoja Trust, Nairobi; Department of Anthropology and Sociology, University of the Western Cape “‘We have moved on’: Human Rights and Intersubjectivity in Post 2007/8 Violence in Kenya”

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS**