



THE TROUBLESOME DEAD

GOVERNING BODIES,
CARING FOR SOULS
CORTEM CONFERENCE



PARIS, MAY 30-31, 2024
CAMPUS CONDORCET

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Programme

Please limit presentations to 30 minutes, followed by a collective discussion.

Day 1 – Thursday May 30th , 2024

9.00 Coffee and warm-up

9.30 **General introduction**

Nicolas Fischer (CNRS/CESDIP)

Florence Galmiche (Université Paris Cité/IUF/CCJ)

Milena Jakšić (CNRS/CEMS)

Carolina Kobelinsky (CNRS/LESC)

Session 1. Dead Bodies And The Transmission of Memory

Chair: Caroline Callard (EHESS/CéSor)

10- 10.30 **Heonik Kwon** (Trinity College, Cambridge) : *The Language of the Human Remains – From the Forensic Fields of the Korean War.*

10.30- 11.00 **Natacha Nsabimana** (University of Chicago) : *Landscapes of Memory: Burying the Dead of 1994 in Rwanda.*

11.15-11.45 **Break**

11.30-12.00 **Stéphane Michonneau** (Université de Lille/IRHIS) : *Memories and heritage of human remains from mass massacres: case studies (Belchite, Oradour-sur-Glane, Distomo).*

12.00-1 pm **Discussion by Grégory Delaplace** (EPHE/GSRL) and **Nada Afiouni** (Normandie Université-Le Havre/GRIC).

1.00-2.30 **Lunch Break**

Session 2. The Treatment of Human Remains As Ethical Practice

Chair: Florence Galmiche, UP Cité/IUF/CCJ

Location : Centre de colloques (conference center), Place du Front populaire, Aubervilliers, auditorium 150.

2.30

Projection of *So Long Asleep. Waking the Ghosts of A War.*

(David. W. Plath, 2016).

Introduction and discussion by Chung Byung-Ho (Hanyang University).

4.30

Break

5.00- 6.00

Keynote

Francisco Ferrándiz (CSIC, Spain) : *The Valley of Cuelgamuros in Its Labyrinth.*

7.30pm

Dinner for participants.

Day 2 – Friday May 31th, 2024

Session 3. State Control Of Dead Bodies And Its Challenges.

Chair: Linda Haapajärvi, University of Tampere.

- 9.30-10.00 **Denyer Graham Willis** (University of Cambridge/CDS) : *Beetles, Bones, Dictatorship and Democracy: The Spaces, Institutions and Materiality of Brazil's Ongoing Disappeared.*
- 10.00-10.30 **Sélim Smaoui** (Université Catholique de Louvain/ISPOLE) : *A New Political Activism? Critique and Truth in Digital Counter-Forensic Investigations.*
- 10.30-11.10 **Break**
- 11.10-11.30 **Anne Guillou** (CNRS/LESC) : *State monopoly over the bodies of the victims after the Khmer Rouge regime and private efforts to 'demonopolize' them since the 2000s.*
- 11.30-12.30 **Discussion by Sepideh Parsapajouh** (CNRS/CéSor) and **Naomi Pendle** (University of Bath/CDAS).
- 12.30-2 pm **Lunch**

Session 4. Moral Concerns And Repair.

Chair: Valérie Robin Azevedo (Université Paris Cité/URMIS)

- 2pm-2.30 **Tim Allen** (London School of Economics/ID) : *Sacrificed babies and the politics of moral panics in Uganda.*
- 2.30-3.00 **Anne Carol** (Université d'Aix-Marseille/TELEMMe) : *From pit to pit: funerary treatment and social confrontation after the Courrières disaster (1906).*
- 3.00-3.30 **Break**

3.30-4.00

Yukiko Koga (Yale University) : *Unrepayable Debt: Corporeal Economy of Imperial Reckoning in East Asia.*

4.00-5.00

Discussion by Andrea Ceriana Mayneri (CNRS/IMAF) and **Elisabeth Anstett-Gessat** (Université d'Aix-Marseille/ADES).

6 pm

Cocktail

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Location

- The conference main location will be room 0.010, Campus Condorcet, bâtiment de recherche Nord (North Research Building), 14 cours des Humanités, 93322 Aubervilliers ([googlemap](#)).
- The screening of the documentary film *So Long Asleep. Waking the Ghosts of A War* is scheduled on the same Campus, in Auditorium 150 at the Centre de colloques (Conference center), Place du Front populaire, 93322 Aubervilliers.
- The Keynote will take place in the Auditorium 150 at the Centre de colloques (Conference center), Place du Front populaire, 93322 Aubervilliers.

Metro : line 12, stop at « Front Populaire ».