

Social conflicts over property arise against the background of historically contested concepts of property. In social and political conflicts about who owns what, there is always a social struggle about what counts as property and what does not. Concepts of property are contested in at least three ways. First, property rights take on historically specific forms of the private, the social, and the public. Second, these rights are shaped by different goods; property is held in infrastructures, energy, labor, knowledge, land, data, and nature. Third, property rights are embedded in a social context of appropriation, propriation, and expropriation. Goods are taken into possession, placed under a property regime, or transferred to new owners both with and without the consent of the old ones.

At the international and interdisciplinary conference of the Collaborative Research Centre *Structural Change of Property*, these contested concepts of property will be discussed using case studies that are socially and politically relevant for the present. These case studies include questions about the history of colonial appropriation as well as the restitution of colonial plundered art. In addition, the conventional practice of appropriating natural goods will be questioned in terms of climate policy. A history of expropriation shows that social developments have always been enabled by policies of dispossession. Inheritance societies, with their growing inequalities, raise questions about the temporal limits of property. Digital and financialized capitalism create new kinds of property structures that need to be understood and criticized. The debate over housing and urban space shows the urgency of testing alternative forms of property.

The conference will conclude with a public panel discussion on the socialization of property.



STRUCTURAL CHANGE OF PROPERTY

The conference is organized by the Collaborative Research Centre (Sonderforschungsbereich) 294 *Structural Change of Property*.

Registration

You can register for the conference until September 19 at: anmeldung.sfb-eigentum@uni-jena.de

Locations

Friedrich Schiller University Jena
Universitätshauptgebäude (UHG)
Fürstengraben 1
07743 Jena

Paradiescafé
Vor dem Neutor 5
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Information

More information about the conference and the Collaborative Research Centre can be found at: www.sfb294-eigentum.de.



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Contested Concepts of Property in Past & Present

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October 4–5, 2022
Friedrich Schiller University Jena

Tuesday, October 4

12:00 **Welcome** **Aula**
by **Hartmut Rosa**, speaker of the SFB,
and **Kim Siebenhüner**, Vice-President of
the Friedrich Schiller University Jena
Introduction by **Tilo Wesche**

12:30 – 14:00 **Keynote 1** **Aula**
Property, Modernity, Planetarity
Dipesh Chakrabarty University of Chicago
Comment by **Hartmut Rosa**
Chair: Helen Gibson

14:00 – 14:30 **Break**

14:30 – 16:00 **Panel 1** **HS 24**
History of Expropriation
Eckart Conze Marburg University
Nicholas Mulder Cornell University
Comment by **Florian Peters**
Chair: Anna Möllers


Panel 2 **Aula**
Expropriation and Civil Disobedience
Robin Celikates Free University of Berlin
Andreas Malm Lund University 
Comment by **Petra Gůmplová**
Chair: Steffen Liebig

16:00-16:30 **Break**

16:30 – 18:00 **Panel 3** **Aula**
Colonial Appropriation
Brenna Bhandar University of British Columbia 
Allan Greer McGill University
Comment by **Sophie Jossi-Silverstein**
Chair: Jacob Blumenfeld

Panel 4 **HS 24**
Appropriation and Restitution
Matthias Goldmann EBS University
Flower Manase National Museum of Tanzania
Comment by **Jürgen Martuschkat**
Chair: Dirk Schuck

18:00-18:30 **Break**

18:30 – 20:00 **Keynote 2** **Aula**
**On Race and Reinscription: Writing Enslaved
Women into the Early Modern Archive**
Jennifer Morgan New York University 
Comment by **Helen Gibson**
Chair: Moana J. Packo

Wednesday, October 5

09:30 – 11:00 **Keynote 3** **Aula**
A Right to Party?
Towards a Critical Sociology of Structural Privilege
Stephan Lessenich Goethe University Frankfurt
Comment by **Tilman Reitz**
Chair: Verena Wolf

11:00 – 11:30 **Break**

11:30 – 13:00 **Panel 5** **HS 24**
Inheritance
Stefan Gosepath Free University of Berlin
Thomas Gutmann University of Münster
Comment by **Lydia von der Weth**
Chair: Karlotta Böthig

Panel 6 **Aula**
Digital and Financial Capitalism
Aaron Sahr Hamburg Institute for Social Research
Philipp Staab Humboldt University of Berlin
Comment by **Marlen van den Ecker** and **Tobias Stadler**
Chair: Sebastian Sevignani

13:00 – 14:00 **Lunch**

14:00 – 15:30 **Dialogue** **Aula**
Critique of Property
Christoph Menke Goethe University Frankfurt
Katharina Pistor Columbia University 
Chair: Niklas Angebauer

15:30 – 16:00 **Break**

16:00 – 17:30 **Panel 7** **Aula**
Who Owns the City?
Rahel Jaeggi Humboldt University of Berlin
Regina Kreide Gießen University
Marie-Pierre Lefeuve University of Tours 
Comment by **Markus Kip** and **Daniel Kunze**
Chair: Lukas Lachenicht

17:30 – 18:00 **Break**

18:00 – 20:00 **Öffentliche Veranstaltung**  **Paradiescafé**
**Wohnen, Wasser und Energie als
öffentliche Infrastrukturen –
Kommunalisieren, Vergesellschaften, Enteignen?**
Reinhard Guthke Verein Bürgerenergie Thüringen
Sebastian Kohl Freie Universität Berlin
Joanna Kusiak DW&Co Enteignen / King's College, Cambridge
Cara Röhner Hochschule RheinMain
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