

Kick-off meeting: r4d Social Conflicts and Employment Kartause Ittingen, 28-30 April 2014

Objectives of the meeting:

- Create a platform to exchange information / experiences / expectations / challenges among researchers / panel / representatives of policy and practice
- Communicate programme characteristics and the programme's specific milestones
- Identify potential synergies among projects; enable collegial peer exchange

Participants of the meeting:

- Researchers of the two modules Social Conflicts and Employment (max. 6 persons per project)
- Review Panel Social Conflicts / Employment
- Interested representatives from policy, practice and administration (SDC, NGOs etc.)

Programme

1. 28th April Opening and Welcome

16:45 - open end

| Time | Topic | Speaker/s |
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| 16:45 | Welcome by SNSF Research Council Delegate | Dominique Foray |
| | Welcome by SDC | Christoph Graf |
| | Kick-off meeting objectives and programme | Zora Urech, Claudia Zingerli |
| | Transboundary Research Partnerships: from principles to reality | Thomas Breu |
| | Brainstorming: Researchers experiences and expectations regarding international research partnerships Feedback to plenary | Thomas Breu, Claudia Zingerli |
| | Objectives of module Employment and panel member introduction | Wolf Linder |
| | Objectives of module Social Conflict and panel member introduction | Dirk Messner |
| 18:30 | Dinner and social event | |

2. 29th April Organisational aspects

09:00 - 09:45

| Time | Topic | Speaker/s |
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| 9:00 | Characteristics, milestones and management principles of the programme | Claudia Zingerli |
| | The role of the panel, monitoring and mid-term evaluation | Dirk Messner, Wolf Linder |
| | Questions and discussion | |
| 9:45-10:30 | Coffee break | |

| 3. | 29 th | April | Project | Presentations, | Communication | and | knowledge |
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10:30 - 16:30

Invited practitioners:

Thomas Jenatsch (SDC), Sarah Pfister (Heks) Marc Bachhetta (WTO), David Cheong (ILO), Isabelle Dauner Gardiol (Helvetas), Dominik Ledergerber (SECO), Andrea Inglin (DEZA), Julien Grunder (DEZA)

PLENARY

| Time 10:30-11:00 | Topic Welcome and introductory remarks | Speaker/s Dominique Simone Rychen |
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| | The r4d programme as a platform for knowledge exchange and expectations from policy and practice | Claudia Zingerli |
| | Questions, open issues | All |

PARALLEL SESSIONS

Social Conflicts (Session Chair: Katharina Michaelowa)

| Time | Topic | Speaker/s |
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| 11:00 – 12:00 | Project - Pluralistic Memories | Speaker: Guy Elcheroth Chair: Francisco Gutiérrez Discussion: practitioners / panel / researcher |
| 12:00-13:30 | Lunch break | |
| 13:30-14:30 | Project - Ethnic Power Relations | Speaker: Lars-Erik Cederman Chair: Gerald Schneider Discussion: practitioners / panel / researcher |
| 14:30-15:30 | Project - Gender Dimensions | Speaker: Elisabeth Prügl Chair: Marjo de Theije Discussion: practitioners / panel / researcher |

Employment (Session Chair: Dominique Foray)

| Time | Topic | Speaker/s |
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| 11:00 – 12:00 | Project – Agriculture and Employment | Speaker: Sabin Bieri / Bishnu Upreti Chair: Amrita Chhachhi Discussion: practitioners / panel / researcher |
| 12:00-13:30 | Lunch break | |
| 13:30-14:30 | Project – Employment Effects | Speaker: Thomas Cottier Chair: Clemente Forero Pineda Discussion: practitioners / panel / researcher |
| 14:30-15:30 | Project – Trade and Labour | Speaker: Marcelo Olarrega Chair: Richard Perkins Discussion: practitioners / panel / researcher |

PLENARY

| Time | Topic | Speaker/s |
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| 15:30-16:00 | Coffee break | |
| 16:00-16:30 | Feedback to plenary and discussion, expected outputs and outcomes | Katharina Michaelowa, Dominique Foray |
| | Concluding remarks, thanks and farewell to practitioners | Dirk Messner, Wolf Linder |

4. 29th April Exchange Panel and Researchers

16:30 – open end

| Social Conflicts - Pluralistic Memories | Ana Cascao, Francisco Gutiérrez |
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| Social Conflicts - Ethnic Power Relations | Gerald Schneider, Nils Rosemann |
| Social Conflicts - Gender Dimensions | Marjo de Theije, Norbert Ropers |
| Employment - Agriculture and Employment | Amrita Chhachhi, Ibrahima Hathie |
| Employment - Employment Effects | Clemente Forrero, Hans-Peter Müller |
| Employment - Trade and Labour | Richard Perkins, Simon Junker, Padmashree Sampath |
| Dinner | |

5. 30th April Workshop

09:00 - 14:00

PLENARY

| Time | Topic | Speaker/s |
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| 9:00-9:05 | Introduction and transferrable skills/coaching offer | Claudia Zingerli |
| 9:05-9:20 | Transnational research partnerships | Katharina Michaelowa |
| 9:20-9:35 | Transdisciplinary research | Tobias Buser |
| 9:35-9:45 | Transdisciplinarity in transboundary partnerships – methodological approach and strategy in the r4d research project | Lars-Erik Cederman |
| 9:45-10:00 | Plenary discussion | All |
| 10:00-10:15 | Coffee Break and transfer to working rooms | |

PARALLEL SESSIONS

| 10:15-11:45 | Workshops | |
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| PLENARY | | |
| 11:45-12:15 | Feedback in plenary | All |
| 12:15-12:30 | Wrap-up and closure | Dirk Messner, Wolf Linder |

6. 30th April Panel Meetings

12:30-14:00 Lunch break

14:00 - 16:00

PARALLEL Panel Meetings (Review Panel members only)

Explanations per session

- (1) **Opening and welcome:** Objective is to get to know each other. Programme elements are welcome addresses, introduction of panels and main objectives of two modules Social Conflicts / Employment. Input and group work on the common topic of North-South research partnerships and share expectations and experiences. Joint social evening activity.
- (2) **Organisational aspects**: Presentation of the r4d programme characteristics, milestones and management principles. Presentation and discussion of the review panels' roles, the process monitoring and mid-term evaluation. Researchers know the concrete instruments and milestones of the programme (progress reports / mid-term evaluation / site visits). Researchers know what the panel and the SNSF and SCD are expecting from them with regard to progress reports, financial reports and the mid-term evaluation; and what services they can expect from the programme. The SNSF Head of Finances Division IV will be present.
- (3) **Project presentations, communication and knowledge exchange (science, practice, policy)**: Invited guests from policy, practice and administration attend this session (identified by researchers and by SDC). Structure: A) Presentation of the r4d concept for communication and knowledge exchange. B) Project presentations in the respective module with focus on topic, process, and potential outputs and outcomes for policy and practice. C) Practitioners provide feedback and express expectations towards the research projects. Simon Junker and Nils Rosemann, the SDC delegates, take part in the discussions and will formulate SDC's expectations. Other research groups and review panellists provide feedback. D) The session chairs give feedback to the plenary and point out key challenges and open issues. Discussion of the potential gap between research realities and possible outputs and expectations from policy and practice.

Time Management for project presentations and discussions (60' per project):

- 30 min presentation with focus on topic, process, potential output and outcomes
- 10 min questions for clarification
- 5 min individual work on provided feedback form
- 15 min feedback and discussion as service for each project Projects shall benefit from service function/feedback by collegial peer exchange and identify at least one note taker per project.
- (4) **Exchange between researchers and the panels**: This is a session for researchers and review panellists only. Each project of the two modules will have individual meetings with the respective review panellists. The idea is to get a good mutual understanding of the projects and that the review panellists provide feedback and advice. The panellists will be able to discuss future synergies of projects and address potential challenges, methodological questions, as well as the recommendations with the project teams and in the panel meeting. The format of the exchange is open; suggested are focused discussions in informal settings, such as during a joint walk, in the garden, in a comfortable place somewhere in Kartause Ittingen etc. Time window is before, during and after dinner. The programme coordination can be approached for organisational and administrative questions.
- (5) **Workshops**: There will be two parallel workshops with topics proposed by the project teams (i.e. impact and transdisciplinary research, interdisciplinary and transboundary research partnerships). After three short inputs, the project groups split up to benefit from both workshops. Group work during the workshops is done in project teams.
- (6) **Panel meetings**: Each panel meets separately to discuss various issues, such as concrete time schedule, site visits, and possible action lines for knowledge exchange etc.