

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

POSTCOLONIAL EUROPEAN-CARIBBEAN ENTANGLEMENTS

Perspectives on Geographies of Responsibility and Reparatory Justice

25./26. June 2026 | Europa-Universität Flensburg | Room Helsinki 066

This workshop addresses past and present inequalities in the context of coloniality as the material condition of modern life. We want to discuss outlines of responsibility for radical care as we explore reparative conjunctures (Lewis 2024) and creative possibilities (Noxolo 2025). We want to focus our discussions on postcolonial places in Europe and the Caribbean and their multi-century entanglements. Places are the moments through which the global is constituted, invented, coordinated, produced (Massey 2004). Objective of our workshop is an interdisciplinary exploration and critical engagement with creativity, as current focus in Black studies and as necessary to Black life.

THURSDAY, 25. JUNE 2026

-  12.30 h **Get-together** with buffet
- 13.00 h **Welcome and Introduction:** Ideas, objectives and context of the workshop, *Sybill Bauriedl, Inken Carstensen-Egwuom (Europa-Universität Flensburg)*
- 13.30 h **Topic 1: Postcolonial Responsibilities and Epistemic Violence**
On Decolonizing European Colonial Heritage: Modes of Aesthetic and Affective Engagements, *Britta Timm Knudsen, Aarhus University*
Parks & Plantations. Global Entanglements of Landscape Gardens in Flensburg and Altona, *Sybill Bauriedl, Europa-Universität Flensburg*
Discussion Topic 1 (chair: Lara Wörner)
 - *How does epistemic violence materialize in European postcolonial (harbour) cities?*
 - *What does responsibility mean in academic work?*
-  15.00 h Coffee break
- 15.30 h **Topic 2: Conditions and Consequences of Reparatory Justice**
The Maafa: Colonial Entanglements of Flensburg, Ghana and The Danish West Indies, *Imani Tafari-Ama, Independent Scholar-Activist (online)*
Postcolonial Landscapes and White Innocence, *Inken Carstensen-Egwuom, Europa-Universität Flensburg*
Discussion Topic 2 (chair: Sybill Bauriedl)
 - *What are the conditions from which demands for reparatory justice/reparation arise?*
 - *What are consequences of reparatory justice in the sense of responsibility to other places?*
- 17.00 h **Video documentary** of “Dreading The Map” (2021): 10 min.
- 17.15 h Transfer from university to city centre
-  18.00 h **Walking Tour: Colonial Sense of Places.** Exploring Flensburg harbour, warehouses, sugar and rum factories, places of colonial memory
-  19.15 h **Dinner** at a restaurant, with additional guests of the “Flensburg Postcolonial Network”

FRIDAY, 26. JUNE 2026

9.30 h **Topic 3: Politics of Memory in Public Spaces and Archives**

Reparative Encounters: Repairing Danish Colonial Legacies through Artistic Research, *Daniela Agostinho, Aarhus University*

Amsterdam as an archive of colonial entanglements, *Nelo Schmalen, Europa-Universität Flensburg*

Discussion Topic 3 (chair: Inken Carstensen-Egwuom)

- *How could relationships and (re)arrangements between places be carefully expressed?*



11.00 h Coffee break

11.30 h **Topic 4: Possibilities and Creativities for Reparatory/ Global Justice**

Creolizing Modernity: Critical Caribbean Junctures, *Manuela Boatcă, Universität Freiburg, Fabio Heupel Santos, University of Copenhagen*

Global climate justice with Caribbean Islands, *Lara Wörner, Europa-Universität Flensburg*

Discussion Topic 4 (chair: Sybille Bauriedl)

- *How to address reparatory and transformative justice?*



13.00 h Lunch

14.00 h **Wrap-up and further collaborations** (chair: Inken Carstensen-Egwuom, Lara Wörner)

- *How could scholars of decoloniality address their positionality?*

15.00 h End of Workshop



15.30 h to 17.30 h **Optional excursion: Activist practices related to postcolonial entanglements** in cooperation with "Postcolonial City Tour Initiative Flensburg" (start and finish near harbour/hotels)

Readings for the workshop:

Doreen Massey 2004: Geographies of Responsibility. In: Geografiska Annaler B 86(1): 5-18

Jovan Scott Lewis 2024: Black life beyond injury: Relational repair and the reparative conjuncture. In: Political Geography 108: 1-8.

Patricia Noxolo 2025: Geographies of race and ethnicity III: Black Geographies of creativity. In: Progress in Human Geography 49 (1), 131-140

Information on postcolonial activism in Flensburg: <https://flensburg-postkolonial.de>

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