

The aim of the workshop is to get a better understanding of current global inequalities and to discuss how north-south relations could be analyzed properly by both looking at the metabolic dimension – waste, energy, resources and sinks – as well as the global circuits of commodity production, trade, labor, finance and care. The workshop starts with two keynotes, which critically engage with and reevaluate theories rooted in classical dependency theory, stating a flow of resources and wealth from the so called “Global South” to the “Global North” and therefore an enrichment of the latter at the expense of the former.

Venue

Rosensäle
Fürstengraben 27
07743 Jena

Registration

A formal registration is required for participation in the workshop. Please write to Ilka.Scheibe@uni-jena.de. If you have registered and are unable to attend, please let us know.

Organizers

The workshop is organized by the *AK Postwachstum*, internal working group of the DFG Research Group “Post-Growth Societies” at the Institute of Sociology at the University of Jena, Germany.

Material flows and the global division of labor: Inequalities and dependencies in the world economy

Empirical analyses of different fields will follow, depicting current forms of dependencies and inequalities within the global economy, illuminating the international division of labor, capital flows and flows of goods and services. Furthermore, we will discuss the metabolic dimension of the global economy and look at the relations of flows of resources, energy and waste as well as the use of ecological sinks. Finally, we will focus on the political consequences of the current global dependencies and how to overcome them.

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Workshop

17th and 18th January, 2019



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*How are extraction,
exploitation, and social-
ecological consequences
distributed globally?*

Workshop concept:

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THURSDAY, 17th January

12.30-12.45 p.m. | Welcome

**12.45-3 p.m. | Keynotes: Dependency Theory
and Global Capitalism today**

Dieter Boris (Marburg):
Approaches to Dependency: Past and Present

Virginia Fontes (Rio de Janeiro):
**Expropriations: Post-Growth or the Expansion of
Capitalist Social Relations?**

coffee break

**3.30-5 p.m. / 5.30-7 p.m. | Panel 1: Global
Economic Relations: Commodities, Labor,
Capital**

Markus Henn (Berlin):
Global Financial Flows

Stefan Schmalz (Jena):
**China as the Workshop of the World? The
Chinese High-Growth State and Global Trade
Flows**

Helen Schwenken (Osnabrück):
**Global Care Chains - A Useful Approach for
Analyzing Gendered Transnational Inequalities?**

Martina Sproll (Berlin):
**Temporal and Spatial Compression: Global Value
Chains in Times of Digitalisation**

8 p.m. | Dinner

FRIDAY, 18th January

**9.30-11.45 p.m. | Panel 2: Global Material
Flows: Energy, Resources, Sinks**

Éric Pineault (Montréal):
**Waste, Biogeochemical Forcing and the Capitalist
Pressure to Sink: an Overview of Some Global
Flows**

Anke Schaffartzik (Barcelona):
**No Growth without Inequality: International
Patterns in Resource and Energy Use**

Hannah Holleman (Amherst):
Unequal Ecological Exchange

lunch

**1-3 p.m. | Panel 3: Political Consequences and
the Future of Global Dependencies
(moderated panel discussion)**

Manuela Boatca (Freiburg)

Guilherme Leite Gonçalves (Rio de Janeiro)

Peter Wahl (Weinsheim)

Maria Backhouse (Jena)