

Elephant Modernities: Thinking along blurry lines between humans, elephants and technologies

Date: January, 28th and 29th 2025

Tuesday, 28 January 2025	
09:00 – 09:30	Welcome and Introduction: Michael Bollig & Emilie Köhler
Cluster 1:	Digital Conservation and Elephants' Adaptions to Anthropogenic Landscapes
09:30 – 10:00	Angela Stöger - Vocal Communication in Elephants: From Production to Function and Potential Implications for Conservation
10:00 – 10:30	Ashadee Kay Miller – Valuable Insights Gained Though the Noses of African Elephants (<i>Loxodonta africana</i>)
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 – 11:30	Robin Naidoo - Landscape Connectivity for African Elephants in the World's Largest Transfrontier Conservation Area: A Collaborative, Multi-scalar Assessment
11:30 – 12:00	Kerryn Carter - Dry Season Movements Reflect Challenges to Female African Savannah Elephants in a Human-Impacted Landscape
12:00 – 13:00	Discussion led by Paul Lane
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch break
Cluster 2:	Historical Entanglements: Elephants, Guns and the Ivory Trade
14:30 – 15:00	Paul Lane - Entangled Histories of Elephant-Human Interactions in African Contexts: Archaeological and Palaeoecological Insights on the Origins of Elephant Modernity
15:00 – 15:30	Ashley Coutu - African Elephant Ivory on the Move
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 – 16:30	Craig Paterson - Elephant Infrastructures in the Southern Cape Colony, c. 1750-1950
16:30 – 17:00	Scott Dunleavy - Firearms, Hunting, and Elephant Populations in the Lower Zambezi Valley, c.1780-1880
18:00 -	Wrap-Up Discussion and Workshop Dinner

Wednesday, 29 January 2025	
09:00 – 09:30	Cherry Leonardi - Exploring Elephants in Hunting Narratives From South Sudan, c. 1840s-1940s
09:30 – 10:30	Discussion – led by Rosaleen Duffy
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break
Cluster 3	Coexistence and Conservation: Examples from Namibia
11:00 – 11:30	Michael Bollig - Human-Elephant Interaction in a Northeastern Namibian Coexistence Landscape: Practices, Imaginaries, Knowledges
11:30 – 12:00	Kenneth Uiseb - African Human-Elephant Co-existence: Using Technological Advances to Promote Human-Elephant Co-existence in the Human-Dominated Landscapes of Northwestern Namibia.
12:00 – 12:30	Nicoli Natrass - Harvesting Elephants along Wildlife Corridors in KAZA: The Limits of Localised Management
12:30 – 13:00	Emilie Köhler – Towards a Scientification of Elephant Management: Insights from Namibia’s Zambezi Region
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch Break
14:30 – 15:30	Discussion – led by Robin Naidoo
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee Break
15:45 – 17:00	Open Discussion (Publication)
18:00 -	Wrap-up Discussion and Workshop Dinner

Hosts

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