

**Colonial Entanglements and the Medieval Nordic World:**

***Tensions, Nordic Colonialism and Indigeneity***

Chair of Nordic History, Universität Greifswald

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**Location**: Konferenzraum, Domstraße 11 (Main University building), 17489 Greifswald

*Registration and link for streaming*: tba

**Thursday, 02 February**

09:00-09:30 **Introduction and Welcome**

Prof. Dr Cordelia Heß (Greifswald)

09:30-10:30 **Indigenous methods**

Dr Timothy Bourns (London): “Can we access a counter-narrative to the Vínland sagas through *Kaladlit okalluktualliait*?”

Dr Keith Ruiter (Suffolk): “What do Windigos Have to Do with Vikings?: Seeing Early Scandinavian Legalism with Two Eyes”

11:00-12:00 **Colonial medievalisms I**

Hannah Armstrong (York): “Beyond ‘Lost’ White Communities: Kalaallit Nunaat, Norse medievalisms, and the Indigenous Turn”

Jay Lalonde (New Brunswick): “‘... there is a strong leaven of the old Norse blood in nearly all of us’; Settler Colonialism and the Vínland Mythology”

12:00-13:00 **Colonial medievalisms II**

Dr Gwendolyne Knight (Stockholm): “Magical Stereotypes and Lived Realities in Medieval Sápmi”

Dr Christina Lentz (Tromsø): “Colonialism 2.0? Perspectives on medieval history in Norwegian textbooks”

14:30-15:30 **Crusades**

Dr Thomas Morcom (Oslo): “Raider, Crusader, Far-Traveller? The Complexity of Old Norse Depictions of the Expedition of Sigurðr jórsalafari”

Dr Sabine Walther (Bonn): “The Baltic crusades in an Icelandic mirror? The case of Yngvar the Far-Travelled”

16:00-17:30 **Keynote**

Dr Laura Gazzoli (Wien): “From the beginning? Colonial entanglements in the far north and the Baltic and the formation of Scandinavian identities, c. 800–c. 1100”

**Friday, 03 February**

10:00-11:00 **Spatial dimensions of colonialism**

Basil Arnould Price (York): “The King and His Skattland: A Postcolonial Approach to Post-Commonwealth Iceland”

Prof. Thomas Wallerström (Trondheim): “The Gulf of Bothnia, 1300–1621, as a ‘third space’”

11:00-12:00 **Colonial semantics**

Carina Damm (Leipzig): “Sámi and Bjarmar as Brokers in the Medieval Fur Trade”

Prof. Alexandra Petrulevich (Uppsala): “The East Norse Echo: Swedish Medieval and Post-medieval Discourse on *finnar*, *kareler* and *lappar*”

13:30-14:30 **Religion**

Dr Christian Koch Madsen (Nuuk): “Far from Rome – Religious Beliefs and Otherness of the Medieval Greenland Norse”

Dr Solveig Marie Wang (Greifswald): “Christianity, Conversion and the Saami in the Medieval Period”

14:30-15:30 **Panel discussion and conclusion**

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