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**Disability History:  
New Perspectives and Interdisciplinary Approaches  
November 6, 2024 – November 8, 2024  
In-person symposium**

Venue: DGB-Gewerkschaftshaus.  
Johann-Krane-Weg 16, 48149 Münster (Germany)

**Day 1: Wednesday, November 6**

**Arrival and coffee (12:00 – 1:00 PM)**

**Welcome and Opening Remarks (1:00 PM - 1:30 PM)**

Radu Harald Dinu, Jönköping/S  
Jonathan Schlunck, Uppsala/S  
Jens Gründler, Münster/FRG

**Panel 1: Demarcations and Exclusion (1:30 pm – 3:00 pm)**

**Chair: Jens Gründler**

Theresa Schweden, Mainz/FRG

From "Cripples" and "War Invalids" to People with Disabilities: Language History as a Gateway to Disability History

Emma Kalb, Bonn/FRG

Castration and Its Consequences in Mughal South Asia

Francisco Eissa-Barroso, Manchester/UK

Conceiving the disabled veteran in the eighteenth-century Hispanic Atlantic

Anastasija Smirnova, Riga/Latvia

The development of the Institutional Social care in Riga: the case of disabled (1870ties-1940)

**DINNER (7:00 PM):** Café & Restaurant Munay, An der Germania Brauerei 3,  
48159 Münster. <https://restaurantmunay.wordpress.com/>

## **Day 2: Thursday, November 7**

### **Panel 2: Education and Labor (9:00 am – 10:10 AM)**

#### **Chair: Gabriele Lingelbach**

Erik Kömpe, Kiel/FRG

The relationship between education and training. Goals and measures in West German vocational training centers (1969-1990) (Das Verhältnis von Erziehung und Ausbildung. Ziele und Maßnahmen in westdeutschen Berufsbildungswerken (1969-1990))

Paula Mund, Erfurt/FRG

With hands tied – deaf pupils at schools for the deaf in German-speaking countries (Mit gefesselten Händen – Gehörlose Schüler\*innen an Gehörlosenschulen im deutschsprachigen Raum)

Bertold Scharf, Bremen/FRG

Disabled performance ? On the problematization of disability and work in the GDR (Behinderte Leistung ? Zu den Problematisierungsweisen von Behinderung und Arbeit in der DDR)

### **BREAK 20 min**

### **Panel 3: Different actors, different perspectives on disability (10:30 am – 11:50 pm)**

#### **Chair: Gabriele Lingelbach**

Pia Schmäuser, Halle (Saale)/FRG

„Do our generous socio-political measures possibly not apply to our children?“ New perspectives on everyday history (Alltagsgeschichte) of families with disabled children in the GDR („Unsere großzügigen sozial-politischen Maßnahmen gelten wohl für unsere Kinder nicht?“)

Nikko Jay Ramos, Manila/RP

A Preliminary Study on the Native Physical Disability in the Spanish Philippines, 1500s to 1800s

Alexandra Vouligny, Sherbrooke/Cdn/Paris/F

A criminal, indigent, and ill population: the numerous faces of the Salpêtrière's women

Sandeep R. Singh/Karuna Rajeev, Delhi, India

Disability and Karma: Discourses in Indian Epics

### **11:50 PM - 13:00 PM: Lunch Break**

**Panel 4: Movements and legal frameworks (13:00 pm – 2:30 pm)**

**Chair: Jonathan Schlunck**

Luke Beesley, Manchester/GB

Anti-Discrimination Legislation as Organisational Problem: Rethinking the Disabled People's Movement's (DPM's) Political Campaigns in Britain

Nora O'Neill, Yale/US

Fierce with Reality: Disability Rights, Feminism, and The Boston Project on Women and Disability, 1987-1995

Joana Debelt, Stockholm/S

Communication Rights in Sweden and Germany

**BREAK 30 min**

**Panel 5: Visual representations (3:00 pm – 5:00 pm)**

**Chair: Radu Harald Dinu**

Magdalena Zdrowska, Kraków/PL

Deafening the socialist mediascape: deaf television studios in the 1980s in Poland

Adrian Jansen, Kiel/FRG

Visualizing Disability on West German TV (Behinderung im Westdeutschen Fernsehen)

Viktorija Sukovata, Leipzig/FRG

Images of Disabled People in the Soviet Cinema

Sebastian Pampuch, Berlin/FRG

Reconsidering past representations: Visualizations of disability and impairment in the "Hans-Würtz-Collection"

Nina Eckhoff-Heindl, Cologne/FRG

Making the invisible visible. Visual representations of cognitive disabilities from 19<sup>th</sup> century psychiatric contexts

**DINNER (7:00 PM):**

Dai Fratelli. Gasselstiege 21, 48159 Münster

<https://dai-fratelli.eatbu.com/?lang=de>

**Day 3: Friday, November 8**

**Panel 6: Material Culture, Archaeology, and Education (9:00 am – 11:00 am)**

**Chair: Jens Gründler**

Wonik Son, New Haven Ct/USA

Spatial Reimaginings in Disability, Development, and Community-Based Rehabilitation

Niamh Malone, York/GB

'To use or not to use?' Is that really the only question? Crip hacking, the non-normative professional, and the historic relationship between technology and disability

Shawn Phillips, Terre Haute In/USA

"'Well suited for this class of unfortunates': Disability and Differential Treatment"

Hannah Vogel, Sydney/Aus

Converging Fields: Critical Disability Studies, History and Archaeology

Soonyoung Rhee, Seoul/ROC

Colonized Trilingual Space: Jesengwon Menga-bu

**Break 20 minutes**

**Closing Remarks (11:20 pm - 12:00 pm)**

Radu Harald Dinu/Jonathan Schlunck/Jens Gründler

## **Zoom-Symposium 13-14 November**

**Day 1, 13 November**

### **Panel 1 Disability narratives in East Asia, North America, and Europe** **(5:00 PM- 8:30 PM)**

Veronika Vargová, Brno/CZ

Evolving Portrayals: From Freak Shows to Autism Representation in Contemporary Romance Novels

Shu Wan, Buffalo/New York

Making the Chinese Deaf People Useful: The Politics of Deafness in 1950s China

Lisa Hofer, Linz/A

Strategies of self-empowerment of deaf pupils in the educational region *ob der Enns*, 1812 - 1869 (Strategien der Selbstermächtigung von Tauben Schüler\*innen in der Bildungsregion ob der Enns, 1812 – 1869)

Mary Shannon, London/UK

The Challenges of Uncovering Disability History: Billy Waters and the Elusive Wooden Leg

#### **Break 30 min**

Kate Burrows, Portland/Oregon

Assistive technologies and the meanings of deafness from the 1700's to the present

Vinay Suhalka, Pune/India

"No Bigger than Dwarf": Disability in Princely Colonial India and the life of Maharana Bhupal Singh of Udaipur

Kalyan Shankar, Pune/India

A Lifetime against Dogma: The Struggles of a Blind Poet-Playwright in Colonial India

Emily Seger, Buffalo/NY

Materializing Transnational Eugenics: Economies of Confinement in American Training Schools, 1890-1920

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## **Zoom-Symposium 13-14 November**

## Day 2, 14 November

### **Panel 2 Disability narratives in East Asia, Africa, and Europe** **(9:00 AM - 12:00 AM)**

Klaudia Muca, Krakow/PL

Self-Testimonies of People with Disabilities as Sources for the History of the Disability Rights Movement in Poland

Jacopo Nocchi, Erlangen-Nuremberg/FRG

Autism in Maoist China? Sukhareva, Politics, and Their Influence on the Chinese Child Psychiatric Context

Ina Dimitrova, Plovdiv/Bul

Listening to users' voices in socialist Bulgaria: dispossession, collectivization or preservation?

#### **Break 20 min**

Gergana Mircheva, Sofia/Bulgaria/Regensburg/FRG

Unfit to serve in the army: military recruitment and normative qualifications of disability in Bulgaria, 1878–1939

Magdalena Szarota, Lancaster/GB

Personal and Political - Disability Theorizing by Cutting-Edge Women-Led Disability Organizations in Poland

Lenka Skoupa, Prague/Cz

Affirmative action in Roman legal texts