

Workshop Series:

***Decolonisation Now:
Histories, Politics, and
Possibilities***

Organisers:

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Part 3:

29 - 30 April 2026

**Decolonisation and the
Promises of Development,
ca. 1950-1980**

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Venue:

Geneva Graduate Institute

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Program:

Day 1: Wednesday, 29 April

Welcome and introduction	Introductory remarks & welcome: Nicolas Hafner (IHEID) & Atwa Jaber (University of Basel)	09:15 - 9:30 Room S11
Session 1	Nicolas Hafner (IHEID), <i>Development as Liberation? Third World Encounters, Intellectual Transformation, and the Limits of Solidarity</i> Discussant: Christoph Kalter (University of Agder)	09:30 - 11:00 Room S11
	Coffee Break, The FAB	11:00 - 11:30
Session 2	Mathias Chukwudi Isiani (University of California), <i>Cemeteries of Contestations: Burial Hierarchies and Politics of Decolonisation in Onitsha, 1951 - 1960</i> Discussant: Emma Kluge (University of Exeter)	11:30 - 13:00 Room S11
	Lunch Break	13:00 - 14:00
Session 3	Giulia Dickmans (FU Berlin), <i>Caimaneros as Weapons of Decolonisation: Cuban Angolan Cultural Relations During the Cold War</i> Discussant: Eva-Maria Muschik (University of Vienna)	14:00 - 15:30 Room S1
	Coffee Break, The FAB	15:30 - 16:00
Session 4	Christoph Kalter (University of Agder), <i>African Decolonization and the Rise of Sociolinguistics</i> Discussant: Emma Kluge (University of Exeter)	16:00 - 17:30 Room S1

Day 2: Thursday, 30 April

Coffee, The FAB

10:00 - 10:30

Session 5

Laura Royer (Uppsala University), *Between Expertise and Critique: Africanist Scholars and the Limits of Development, 1967-1978*
Discussant: Eva-Maria Muschik (University of Vienna)

10:30 - 12:00
Room P1-447

Lunch Break

12:00 - 14:30

for those who feel like it

International History and Politics Forum

(IHEID invited lecture series)

Lucie Ryzova (Czech Academy of Sciences), *"Camera Time: Photography and History in Late Colonial Egypt and Beyond"*

12:15 - 13:45
Room S12

Concluding Roundtable

(workshop participants only)

Panelists:

Christoph Kalter (University of Agder)

Emma Kluge (University of Exeter)

Eva-Maria Muschik (University of Vienna)

Moderators: Nicolas Hafner (IHEID) & Atwa Jaber (University of Basel)

14:30 - 16:30
Room P1-447
