In the modern era, plantations have emerged as a cornerstone of the global food production network. Starting with the sugar cane fields of the Atlantic World, they provide people all over the world with a broad range of commodities. The environmental implications are serious: plantations exhaust and erode soils; the presence of many identical plants in the same spot spawns pests, weeds, and fungi. Furthermore, the transnational character of commodity markets connotes that a distant, unknown competitor may ruin the profitability of the enterprise at any moment.
Thursday, July 28

15:00 - 15:45  Welcome and Introduction

15:45 - 16:00  Coffee break

16:00 - 18:00  Roundtable
   Global Perspectives on the Plantation

   Moderation: Franziska Torma (Rachel Carson Center)
   Discussants:
   Stefania Gallini (Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Bogotá)
   Latin American Plantations
   Corey Ross (University of Birmingham, UK)
   Plantations in Southeast Asia
   Frank Uekötter (RCC)
   The European Plantation

19:00  Dinner

Friday, July 29

09:30 - 11:00  The Plantation System

   Chair: Frank Uekötter (Rachel Carson Center / Deutsches Museum)
   Marina Padrão Temudo (Tropical Research Institute, Lisbon, Portugal)
   The Rise and Fall of a Plantation System in S. Tomé and Principe
   Tiago Saraiva (University of Lisbon, Portugal)
   Plantation Fascism: Agriculture Experiment Stations and Colonialism in Ethiopia,
   Mozambique, and Eastern Europe
   Michael Roche (Massey University, New Zealand)
   An Environmental History of Plantation Forestry in New Zealand, 1897 to 1987

11:00 - 11:30  Coffee break

11:30 - 13:00  The American Plantation

   Chair: John Soluri (Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA)
   Jeannie Whayne (University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR)
   Queen City and King Cotton: Memphis and the Trans Mississippi West
   Paul Sutter (University of Colorado at Boulder)
   The Moral Meaning of “Rough, Gullied Land:” Soil Science, Spectacle Erosion, and the
   Roots of US Soil Conservation in the Plantation South
   Mart A. Stewart (Western Washington University, Bellingham)
   Plantations, Agro-Ecology, and the US South

13:00 - 14:30  Lunch break
14:30 - 15:30  **Products I: Coffee**

**Chair**  
Stefania Gallini (Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Bogotá)  
Stuart MCook (University of Guelph, Ontario, Canada)  
Liberian Coffee: A Plantation Crop that Never Was  
Christiane Berth (Universität St. Gallen)  
Between “Wild Tropics” and “Civilization:” Guatemalan Coffee Plantations as Seen by German Immigrants

15:30 - 16:00  **Coffee break**

16:00 - 17:00  **Products II: Animals and Grapes**

**Chair**  
Tiago Saraiva (University of Lisbon, Portugal)  
John Soluri (Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA)  
An Animal Plantation: Sheep Estancias and the Transformation of Tierra del Fuego (1880s-1950s)  
Erich Landsteiner (Universität Wien)  
The Vineyard—a Plantation?

17:00 - 17:30  **Coffee break**

17:30 - 18:30  **Products III: Apples**

**Chair**  
Paul Sutter (University of Colorado at Boulder)  
Jó Klanovicz (Universidade Estadual do Centro-Oeste do Paraná, Irati, Brazil)  
Modern Apple Plantations in Fraiburgo, Brazil (1958-1989)  
Ulrike Plath (Under and Tuglas Literature Center, Tallinn, Estonia)  
Baltic Apples in Tsarist Russia and in the New National Economies of Latvia and Estonia (1870-1939)

19:30  **Dinner**

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**Saturday, July 30**

09:30 - 11:00  **Tropical Plantations**

**Chair**  
Jeannie Whayne (University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR)  
Mitch Aso (University of Wisconsin, Madison)  
Forests without Birds: Spaces of Nature and Culture on the Rubber Plantations of French Indochina  
Ricardo Roque (University of Lisbon, Portugal) & Chris Shepherd (Australian National University)  
Plantations, Technical Knowledge, and Militarism in Portuguese Timor, 1890s-1930s  
Matthieu Fintz (Université de Strasbourg)  
The Atlantic Circuit of Banana Pesticides: The Case of Chlordecone, 1950s-1993

11:00 - 11:30  **Concluding comments** by John R. McNeill and **Final discussion**

11:30 - 12:30  **Lunch**

12:30  **End of conference**
Venue: Rachel Carson Center  
Leopoldstr. 11a  
80802 Munich

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- **U3/U6**, disembark at Giselastraße and follow signs to the exit Georgenstraße. On exiting the subway station, you will be on Leopoldstraße. The RCC is located just a few meters away.

By bus: Line 54 or 154
- **Bus 54**, get off at Giselastraße. You will now be next to Leopoldstraße. Facing Leopoldstraße, turn left and follow the street approximately 250 meters to number 11a.
- **Bus 154**, get off at Georgenstraße. You will now be facing number 11a.

Registration: The workshop is free and open to the public; however registration is required. Please send an e-mail to events@carsoncenter.lmu.de by July 21, 2011, to sign up.