

## Conference convenor

Prof. Dr. Rebekka von Mallinckrodt  
University of Bremen  
mallin@uni-bremen.de

## Contact person

Dr. Stefanie Walther  
University of Bremen  
swalther@uni-bremen.de

Students and other guests who are interested in the conference are very welcome and asked to contact Dr. Stefanie Walther.

The conference is organized and funded as part of the ERC project "The Holy Roman Empire of the German Nation and its Slaves" (No. 641110).

<http://www.frueheneuzeit.uni-bremen.de/index.php/en/research/german-slavery>



## Conference Venue

Gästehaus Teerhof der Universität Bremen  
Auf dem Teerhof 58  
28199 Bremen

## Conference Hotel

ATLANTIC Grand Hotel Bremen  
Bredenstraße 2  
28195 Bremen

Telefon: +49 421 62062-0  
Telefax: +49 421 62062-500

[www.atlantic-hotels.de](http://www.atlantic-hotels.de)  
[grandhotel@atlantic-hotels.de](mailto:grandhotel@atlantic-hotels.de)

# Negotiating Status and Scope of Action

Interrelations between  
Slavery and Other Forms  
of Dependency in Early  
Modern Europe

Titel: Jean Louis Voille, Porträt der Evdokiya  
Nikolayevna Chesmenskaya, 1780 (wikimedia.org)

June 15th-17th, 2017

 Universität Bremen\*

\*EXZELLENT.

Institut für  
Geschichtswissenschaft  
Universität Bremen

## Thursday, June 15th 2017

**09:30** Welcome and Introduction (Rebekka v. Mallinckrodt)

### Section 1: Netherlands

*Chair & Comment: Josef Köstlbauer (University of Bremen)*

**10:00–10:45** Mark Ponte (Amsterdam City Archives): Negotiating Freedom. Free and Enslaved Africans in Seventeenth Century Amsterdam

**10:45–11:15** coffee break

**11:15–12:00** Julia Holzmann (University of Bremen): Conflicts and Relations Between Slavery, Dependency, Poverty and Coerced Labor in 18th Century Amsterdam – The Case “Christina from India”

**12:00–12:45** Michel R. Doortmont (University Groningen & Leiden University) / Annemieke van der Vegt (independent researcher): Understanding African Identity in the Eighteenth-Century Netherlands: Between a Boy Servant at the Court of Orange-Nassau and a Lord of the Manor in the Province of Groningen

**13:00–14:30** lunch break

### Section 2: Italy & Sweden

*Chair & Comment: Juliane Schiel (University of Zurich)*

**14:30–15:15** Giulia Bonazza (European University Institute Florence): Different Forms of Bondage in the Mediterranean: the Italian Case (1750-1850)

**15:15–16:00** Joachim Östlund (Lund University): The Legal and Social Status of Persons of African Descent in Eighteenth Century Sweden

**16:00–16:30** coffee break

**16:30–17:30** keynote lecture: Wolfgang Kaiser (Paris 1/ EHESS): Fragile Lives. Risk and Uncertainty in the Early Modern Mediterranean

**19:30** dinner at the *Bremer Ratskeller* (Am Markt, 28195 Bremen)

## Friday, June 16th 2017

### Section 3: Denmark/Norway

*Chair & Comment: Juliane Schiel (University of Zurich)*

**09:30–10:15** Gunvor Simonsen (University of Copenhagen): Slavery and Race in Copenhagen in the Eighteenth Century

**10:15–11:00** Hanne Østhus (independent researcher): Slaves and Servants. Domestic Transported from the Colonies to Denmark-Norway in the Late Eighteenth and Early Nineteenth Centuries

**11:00–11:30** coffee break

**11:30–12:15** Johan Heinsen (Aalborg University): The Meaning of Slavery in Early Modern Denmark-Norway [interrelations Between Penal Work and Slavery]

**12:30–14:00** lunch break

### Section 4: Spain

*Chair & Comment: Christian De Vito (University of Leicester/ University of Utrecht)*

**14:00–14:45** Aurelia Martín-Casares (University of Granada): Juan Latino: The First Afro-European Humanist from Slave Origin

**14:45–15:30** Rocío Periañez (University of Extremadura), Marie-Christine Delaigue (University of Granada): Slaves Before the Courts in Early Modern Spain: the Case of Extremadura

**15:30–16:00** coffee break

**16:00–16:45** Arturo Morgado (University of Cadiz): Freedmen at Early Modern Spain: Ways of Liberation and Social Integration?

**19:30** dinner at the *Kaffee Mühle* (Am Wall 212, 28195 Bremen)

## Saturday, June 17th 2017

### Section 5: Holy Roman Empire & Great Britain

*Chair & Comment: Eve Rosenhaft (University of Liverpool)*

**09:30–10:15** Arne Spohr (Bowling Green State University): Free Through Membership in the Imperial Trumpeters’ Guild? On the Legal and Social Position of Black Court Trumpeters in the Holy Roman Empire

**10:15–11:00** Rebekka v. Mallinckrodt (University of Bremen): Interrelations Between Slavery and Serfdom – German Legal Case Studies

**11:00–11:30** coffee break

**11:30–12:15** Kathleen Chater (independent researcher): Conditions of Service in Britain in the Long Eighteenth Century

**12:30–14:00** lunch break

### Section 6: France

*Chair & Comment: Josef Köstlbauer (University of Bremen)*

**14:00–14:45** Sue Peabody (Washington State University Vancouver): Barriers to Accessing France’s *Sol Libre* in Early Modern France

**15:00–16:00** keynote lecture: Myriam Cottias (Directrice de recherche au CNRS / Senior Researcher, National Center for Scientific Research): Agency and Subjectivity of the Enslaved in the Atlantic

**16:00–16:15** coffee break

**16:15–16:45** final discussion, publication plans, deadlines etc.