

## Rigi Workshop 2023 - Infectious Diseases as drivers of change.

January 29 – 31 2023 – Rigi Kulm

Programme

### Day 1 – Sunday 29 January

12:45	Arrival – Check-in / Registrations
13:30	Introduction
14:00	<b>Talk 1:</b> Prof. Dr. Flurin Condrau Why History of Medicine?
14:50	<b>Introduction to workshop 1</b> Dr. Danelle van Zyl-Hermann: Global Health in historical perspective: The past in the present? Dr. Leander Diener: How to see the big picture: the role of medical history during a pandemic
15:30	Break
16:00	<b>Workshop 1: Blast from the past?</b> <b>Exploring historical sources on health and medical science</b>
19:00	Dinner
21:00	Contribution from participants (flash-talks)

### Day 2 – Monday 30 January

7:30	Breakfast
8:30	<b>Talk 2:</b> Prof. Dr. Verena Schünemann Ancient DNA and pathogens: tracing disease through time
9:30	<b>Talk 3:</b> Prof. Dr. Johannes Krause The genetic history of the plague and the origin of the Black Death
10:30	Break
11:00	<b>Talk 4:</b> PD Dr. Kaspar Staub Connecting the past and present of infectious diseases: An interdisciplinary and quantitative approach via epidemiology, health history and digital humanities
12:15	Group Picture
12:30	Lunch
	Free Time
15:00	Coffee break
15:30	<b>Workshop 2 Interdisciplinary perspectives on the history of infectious diseases</b> with Prof. Verena Schünemann and Prof. Kaspar Staub
19:00	Dinner
21:00	Social activities

### Day 3 – Tuesday 31 January

07:45	Breakfast (& prepare luggage/empty rooms)
08:45	<b>Talk 5:</b> Prof. Dr. Daniel Bausch Outbreak response: from colonialism to the emerging global architecture
09:30	<b>Talk 6:</b> Prof. Dr. Jing Wang Understanding airborne transmission of Sars-Cov2
10:10	Break
10:40	<b>Workshop 3: Societal and technological tools</b> with Dr. Lucienne Tritten and Prof. Pascal Mäser, Prof. Jing Wang and Prof. Daniel Bausch
13:00	Lunch
14:30	Plenum
15:30	Closing and evaluation
16:00	Departure

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#### The Swiss Society of Tropical Medicine and Parasitology (SSTMP)

Prof. Dr. Carmen Faso and Dr. Lucienne Tritten

#### Life Science Switzerland (LS2)

Prof. Dr. Pascal Mäser

#### Swiss Society of History of Medicine and Natural Science (SSHMNS)

Prof. Dr. Hubert Steinke and Prof. Dr. Flurin Condrau

#### Swiss Society of Microbiology (SSM)

Prof. Dr. Pilar Junier

#### The Swiss Academy of Sciences – Platform Biology (SCNAT)

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### Invited speakers:

- **Prof. Dr. Daniel Bausch, FIND Geneva**  
Outbreak Response: From Colonialism to the Emerging Global Architecture
- **Prof. Dr. Flurin Condrau, University of Zürich**  
Why History of Medicine?
- **Dr. Leander Diener, University of Zurich**  
How to see the big picture: the role of medical history during a pandemic
- **Prof. Dr. Johannes Krause, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig**  
The genetic history of the plague and the origin of the Black Death
- **Prof. Dr. Verena Schünemann, University of Zurich and University of Vienna**  
Ancient DNA and pathogens: tracing disease through time
- **PD Dr. Kaspar Staub, University of Zurich**  
Connecting the past and present of infectious diseases: An interdisciplinary and quantitative approach via epidemiology, health history and digital humanities
- **Dr. Danelle van Zyl-Hermann, University of Basel**  
Global Health in historical perspective. The past in the present?
- **Prof. Dr. Jing Wang, ETH Zurich**  
Understanding airborne transmission of SARS-CoV-2

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