

AUTHOR'S COLLOQUIUM WITH SALLY ENGLE MERRY

QUANTIFYING THE WORLD SOCIETY
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Convenor: Joanna Pfaff-Czarnecka (Bielefeld University)

November 11 - 12, 2013

IN COOPERATION WITH:



Monday- November 11

09:00 Welcome Address

Chair: Sally Engle Merry

09:15 - 10:15 **Wendy Espeland (Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin / Northwestern University)**
"Commensurate Worlds: How We Do Things with Numbers"

10:15 - 11:15 **Jane Cowan (University of Sussex)**
"The UN Universal Periodic Review as Public Audit Ritual"

11:15 - 11:45 - Coffee Break -

11:45 - 12:45 **Cris Shore (University of Auckland)**
"Governing By Numbers: Audit Culture, International Rankings and the Neoliberal World Order"

12:45 - 14:00 - Lunch Break -

Chair: David Nelken

14:00 - 15:00 **Boris Holzer (Bielefeld University)**
"Distant Observation: Uses and Consequences of the 'Datafication' of Society"

15:00 - 16:00 **Katja Freistein / Martin Koch (Bielefeld University)**
“Measuring Development - Numbers and Figures of the World Bank”

16:00 - 16:30 - Coffee Break -

Chair: Cris Shore

16:30 - 17:30 **Nehal Bhuta (European University Institute Firenze)**
“Indexes of State Fragility and State Failure”

Chair: Ulrike Davy

18:30 - 19:30 **Sally Engle Merry (New York University)**
“Quantified Governance and the Paradox of Measurement”

20:00 - Dinner at ZiF -

Tuesday- November 12

Chair: Jane Cowan

09:00 - 10:00 **Tord Larsen (Trondheim Norwegian University of Science and Technology)**
“The Cultural Logic of Facts and Figures”

10:00 - 11:00 **Bettina Mahlert (RWTH Aachen University)**
“Statistical Evaluation Between Universalism and Particularism: Development Indicators in a World Historical Perspective”

11:00 - 11:30 - Coffee Break -

Chair: Wendy Espeland

11:30 - 12:30 **John Berten / Lutz Leisering (Bielefeld University)**
“Measuring the global social – Numerical Tools in Global Social Policy Making”

12:30 - 14:00 - Lunch -

Chair: N.N.

14:00 - 15:00 **Stefan Kühn (Bielefeld University)**
“Number Games in Development Aid”

15:00 - 16:00 **Jürgen Kaube (Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung)**
“The Political Use of Ambiguous Numbers”

16:00 - 16:30 - Coffee Break -

Chair: Joanna Pfaff-Czarnecka

16:30 - 17:30 **David Nelken (Macerata University / Kings College London)**
“The Contestability of Global Indicators”

17:30 - 18:00 **Concluding Round**
- End of Colloquium -
