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Program

08:30-09:00 / **Light breakfast**

09:00-09:15 / **Opening remarks:** Ezgi Guner, Haverford College

09:15-10:15 / **Jailbreak! On marronage and (mobile)undercommoning**

Keynote by Ida Danewid, University of Sussex

Break / 10:15 -10:30

10:30-12:00 / **Panel 1**

Border policing

Cohabiting with Italian Immigration Detention Facilities in Northern Albania

Sofia Franchini, University of Cambridge

Coloniality and Refugee Education: Power, Policy, and Persistent Inequalities

Adnan Turan, Arizona State University

Incompleteness of Citizenship: New Carceral Regimes and Gendered Refugees from Turkiye in Canada

Nezihe Basak Ergin, Giresun University, and Ebru Ustundag, Brock University

Discussion / Souad Osseiran, Boğaziçi University

Lunch / 12:30 -13:30

13:30 -15:00 / **Panel 2**

Migrant racialization

Affect and Movement in Times of Deportation: Ethnographic Insights into Confinement and Refusal among Afghan Migrants in Istanbul

Alexander Halldórsson Ephrussi, Geneva Graduate Institute

Transience and Blackness in Istanbul: West African World-Making in Istanbul

Alize Arican, The City University of New York

Whiteness on the Border: South Asian Migration and the Production of Stratified Subalternities in/of Eastern Europe

Alexandra Oancă, KU Leuven

Discussion / Damani Partridge, University of Michigan

Break / 15:00-15:30

15:30-17:00 / **Panel 3**

Gendered refusals

“No Birth is a Strike”: Reproductive Refusal and the Biopolitics of Racial Capitalism

Bodong Zhang, Geneva Graduate Institute

Queer Refusal in Pakistan: Colonial Legacies, Racial Capitalism, and Strategic Invisibility

Natasha Gilani, University of Toronto

Practices of No Future: Queer-Feminist Self-Defense and the Stake of Hope

Mel Kalfanti, University of Thessaly

Discussion / Elif Sari, University of British Columbia