

# Transactional Sociality: Market Moralities and Embedded Capital in Modern South Asia

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## Workshop schedule

### 1 December 2016

- 9:30            *Opening remarks* (Ajay Gandhi, Göttingen; Sebastian Schwecke, Leiden)
- 9:45            Matthew Hull (Michigan), *Credibility and Cover: Matka and State Lotteries in Punjab.*
- 11:00           *Tea break*
- 11:15           Ajay Gandhi (Göttingen), *Transactional Sociality: A Proposition about Social Life in North India*
- 12:30           *Lunch break*
- 13:30           Douglas E. Haynes (Dartmouth), *Vernacular Capitalism, Advertising and the Bazaar in Early Twentieth Century Western India*
- 14:45           *Tea break*
- 15:00           David Rudner (Los Angeles), *Merchants in Markets – Notes on Commercial Adaptations to Informational Uncertainty in the Indian Ocean Bazaar.*
- 16:15           *Tea break*
- 16:30           Leilah Vevaina (Göttingen), *Presents and Futures: the Trust and Timely Obligation*

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- 09:30 Barbara Harriss-White (Oxford), *India's Criminal Economy, the Substance of Cities and the Material Foundations of Electoral Politics*.
- 10:45 *Tea break*
- 11:00 Roger Begrich (Berkeley), *Liquid Assets: Transactional Grammars of Alcohol in Jharkhand*.
- 12:15 *Lunch break*
- 13:15 Sebastian Schwecke (Leiden), *The Artifice of Trust as Procedure and Reputation. "Proper" Transactional Procedure and Banking Advertising in Mid-twentieth Century Banaras*.
- 14:30 *Tea break*
- 14:45 Arvind Rajagopal (New York), *Commodity and Commodity Image in the Indian Bazaar: Notes from Trademark Case Law*.
- 16:00 *Tea break*
- 16:15 Nikhil Rao (Wellesley), *Cooperative Housing at the Urban Edge*.
- 17:30 *Tea break*
- 17:45 *General discussion* (with contributions from Peter van der Veer, Göttingen; Ravi Ahuja, Göttingen)