

INPUTS Lecture Series

„Bremer Denkanstöße“

The institute of postcolonial and transcultural studies (INPUTS) at the University of Bremen invites to an expert talk with following podium discussion:



Lewis R. Gordon
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Black Existentialism and Decolonizing Knowledge

Monday 19 June 2023
18.00 hours
Cartesium
Enrique-Schmidt-Str. 5

On the podium:

Rozena Maart

(U KwaZulu Natal, Durban, Mercator Fellow,
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Sabine Broeck

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Lindokuhle Shabane

(RTG „ContradictionStudies“, U Bremen)

Moderation:

Kerstin Knopf (INPUTS, U Bremen)

Abstract:

Drawing upon ideas from *Fear of Black Consciousness* (Penguin, 2022) / *Angst vor Schwarzem Bewusstsein* (Ullstein Verlag, 2022), this talk will offer a portrait of Black existentialism, summarizing some of its key problematics with emphasis on problems wrought from Euromodern colonization of knowledge. The talk will conclude with a discussion of what decolonizing knowledge entails.

Short Bio:

Lewis R. Gordon is Professor and Head of the Department of Philosophy at UCONN-Storrs; Honorary President of the Global Center for Advanced Studies; Honorary Professor in the Unit for the Humanities at Rhodes University, South Africa; and Distinguished Scholar at The Most Honourable PJ Patterson Centre for Africa-Caribbean Advocacy at The University of the West Indies, Mona.