# NEW WOrld Crucibles of GlobaliZation

# CALL FOR SCHOLARSHIP NOMINATIONS

DATE: 21st – 31st July 2019

VENUE: Internationales Wissenschaftsforum, Heidelberg University, germany

Twenty outstanding doctoral students from selected universities in Europe and Latin America will be invited to participate in the International Summer School “NEW WORLD CRUCIBLES OF GLOBALIZATION”. The organizers and speakers are scholars from Heidelberg University, Germany, as well as renowned experts from other European and North & Latin American universities. Participants should have a degree in one of the following fields of study: linguistics, literature, philosophy, modern languages, cultural/transcultural studies, history, global history, economic history. We would appreciate doctoral students who have the intention to actively engage in research.

**Scientific Background and aim of the school:**

The Summer School aims at an archeological description and regionally comparative reflection of two critical phases of globalization in Latin America and its relation to Europe and Asia. A primordial scene of globalization was Hernán Cortés’s landfall in Mexico, half a millennium ago in 1519. It marked the beginning of the incorporation of a populous and highly differentiated civilization into the “Western World”.

Five hundred years after 1519, we reflect on the current phase of globalization in which economic and cultural transformation are intrinsically intertwined. We focus on symbolic imbrications between Latin America, Europe, and Asia, in language, culture, and literature, as well as economic and legal relations:

1. How is the experience of crisis represented in terms of language, aesthetics, and media?

2. What is the impact of this entangled transatlantic (and transpacific) history on prevalent discourses and the circulation of knowledge?

The aim of the Summer School is to enable doctoral students both to further develop high-level expertise in their specific area of research and to gain an insight into complementary areas. The curriculum will provide lectures and interdisciplinary discussions in the fields of literature & culture, linguistics & language history as well as (language) contact, global history & economic history. In addition, workshops will be conducted to teach relevant research methods. Doctoral students will have the opportunity to present their own research and will receive feedback from other students and experts.

The scientific coordinators are Prof. Dr. Sybille Große and Prof. Dr. Robert Folger (both from Heidelberg).

Flight expenses (from Europe up to 500 EUR, from overseas up to 1,500 EUR.) will be reimbursed to the doctoral students upon submission of receipts. Accommodation and food will be provided free of charge. No participation fee will be charged. All doctoral students are expected to present their research projects in short talks. Self-nominations are invited. Also, doctoral supervisors can nominate their students for the Summer School by email to neuphil-summerschool@uni-heidelberg.de by May 12, 2019 (deadline extended).

Nominations should include the following documents:

* completed application form
* a letter of recommendation by the doctoral supervisor
* curriculum vitae of the PhD student
* motivation letter of the PhD student
* short description of the doctoral project

Participants will be selected by a scientific committee.

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