



**The 2022 Graduate Workshop**

**June 17, 2022**

# **American Grids**

**Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Housing, Energy, and Infrastructure**

**Opening Remarks**

Max McKenna, Simon Voss  
JFKI (Lansstraße 7-9), Room 319  
**10:00 - 10:15**

**First Panel: Grids of Environment(s)**

Chair: Max McKenna  
JFKI, Room 319  
**10:15 - 12:45**

“Social and Environmental Justice: Housing in Chicana Literature”

**Maite Aperribay** (University of the Basque Country)

“Constructing ‘Milk’: Tying a Network of Nature and Culture”

**Anastassia Biederstaedt** (Heidelberg Center for American Studies)

“Nuclear Family, Toxic Masculinity, Ecofeminism: Television Technology and Gendered Discourses”

**Sandra Becker** (University of Groningen)

**Lunch Break**

Restaurant “Eßkultur”, Museum Europäischer Kulturen (MEK)  
Arnimallee 25  
**12:45 - 14:15**

**Second Panel: Grids of Social Security**

Chair: Simon Voss

JFKI, Room 319

**14:15 - 17:35**

“When Affordable Housing Policy Displaces: Expropriating Housing in Chinatown, Los Angeles”

**Mathilde Lind Gustavussen** (FU Berlin)

„What Happens to Renters? Housing Prices, Risks and Political Trust“

**Hannah Löffler** (TU Munich)

“Governing Homelessness in the American City: Federal Innovation & Local Policy Adoption”

**Laura Kettel** (GSNAS)

“Riding the Grid – A Critical Analysis of the Restructuring of Power Relations in the Trucking Sector”

**Christian Güse** (GSNAS)

**Keynote Speech**

**Dr. Gretchen Bakke**

(Senior Fellow, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies, Potsdam)

**“Refrigerator As Lynchpin: A Short History of the Fossil-Fueled  
Electricity System”**

JFKI, Room 340

**18:00 - 19:30**

**Reception + Conference Dinner**

Restaurant Piaggio

Königin-Luise-Straße 44

**19:30**