Digital Technologies and the Future of Health: Aspirations, Care and Data

Conveners: Leipzig Lab “Global Health,” the Institute of Anthropology, and the Leipzig Research Centre Global Dynamics

Location: Villa Tillmanns, Wächterstraße 30, 04107 Leipzig
Date: 18–19 November 2021
Online registration via mailing list

Thursday, 18 November 2021

Welcome
10:30–10:45 (*CET+1)
Marian Burchardt (Leipzig University)

Sociomaterial Perspectives on Digital Health: Infrastructures and Governance
10:45–12:00
Benjamin Marent (University of Sussex):
A Sociomaterial Approach towards Digital Health Governance
René Umlauf & Marian Burchardt (Leipzig University):
Flying the Last Mile: Drones and Digital Health Logistics in Ghana

Coffee Break
12:00–12:30

AI in African Hospitals
12:30–13:45
Divine Fuh (University of Cape Town):
Future Hospital Imaginaries: AI and the Ethical Quandaries of Care Infrastructures in Africa
Amina Soulimani (University of Cape Town):
A Local AI Governance? Exploring the Opacity of Coded Algorithms Within Morocco’s Hospitals

Lunch Break
13:45–14:45

Mental health, AI and Digital Therapy
14:45–16:30
Claudia Lang (Leipzig University):
Machine Learning to Care: Encoding Wellbeing and Situated Universalism
Beth Semel (MIT; Cambridge, Massachusetts):
Automated Listening Technologies in U.S. Mental Health Care
Hannah Zeavin (UC Berkeley):
Predict and Prevent: The Datification of Crisis Intervention

Coffee Break
16:30–17:00
(Transregional) Networks of Care and Treatment

17:00–18:45
Sandra Bärnreuther (University of Zurich): The Clinical Gaze in a Digital Age: Transforming Primary Care in India
Tanja Ahlin (University of Amsterdam): Transnational Care Collectives: Re-conceptualizing ‘Good Elder Care’ Through Everyday Digital Technologies
Vincent Duclos (UQAM, Montréal): The Afterlives of Mobile Health in Nouna, Burkina Faso

Dinner
19:00

Friday, 19 November 2021

Digital Technologies and Precarious Care

09:30–10:45 (*CET+1)
Julia Tuppat (Leipzig University): Digital Technologies and Inequalities in Health Behavior
Henriette Langstrup (UCPH, Copenhagen): Personal Health Technologies and Precarious Chronic Care Infrastructures: From Invited Participation to Device Activism

Coffee Break
10:45–11:15

Digital Self-Care

11:15–13:00
Rachael C. Kent (King’s College London): From the Welfare State to Digital Self-Care: Historical and Future Contexts of Tracking Public Health and Quantifying Bodies
Bihaj Ajana (King’s College London): Self-tracking as Personal Health Science: Benefits and Challenges
Barbara Morsello (University of Padua): Future Emerging Epistemologies: Digital Technology and New Forms of Lay Participation in Health and Wellbeing

Lunch Break
13:00–14:00

Big Data and Medical Capitalism

14:00–14:30
Mary Ebeling (Drexel University): Radical Care: The Promises and Pitfalls of Trauma-informed Data in Medical Capitalism

Final Reflections
14:30–15:00