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BORDERS: Experiences from Uganda

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Why and how do people separate themselves from others in periods of uncertainty?

The seminar addresses the theme of borders and boundaries drawing on two different case studies: the aftermath of the Ebola epidemic in Bundibugyo district (western Uganda) and the return of displaced citizens to post-conflict Acholi region (northern Uganda).

Ebola survivors face isolation and suspicion from the rest of society even after the end of the epidemic. Acholi war survivors that return home cross the border from a zone of pollution - war - to a “clean” one.

Based on long term fieldwork, this joint seminar offers ethnographic perspectives on the human need of boundaries and borders and the capability to cross them.

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