

## Camille Buat

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### Education

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**PhD.** in History under the joint supervision of Pr. Paul-André Rosental (Sciences Po) and Ravi Ahuja (University of Göttingen).

Topic: The mobility of India's rural populations: patterns of circulation in North India, the Bhojpuri region throughout the 20<sup>th</sup> century

**Hindi Study Program** at the National Institute of Oriental Languages and Civilisation (INALCO, Paris). 2016-2017

**Hindi Intensive Study Program** Landour Language School, Mussoorie, India. September-December 2013

**M.A.** History. Sciences Po, Paris. Grade: Summa Cum Laude. 2011-2013

Master thesis "Communalism and Militancy: Indian Jute Labour in the 1930s, a Segmented Labour Force". Grade: "Mention Très Bien" (equivalent to high honors).

**B.A.** Sciences Po, Paris, France. Grade: Cum Laude. 2008-2011

**B.A.** Modern Literature. University of Nanterre, Paris, France. Grade "Mention Bien" (equivalent to honors). 2008-2012

### Field work in India

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18 March 2015 to 18 March 2016 and 4 July to 20 August 2016, Affiliation to the Centre for Study of Social Sciences, Calcutta

- Visit to record rooms, archives and libraries in Patna (Bihar), Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh), Ghazipur (Uttar Pradesh), Calcutta (West Bengal) and Howrah (West Bengal).
- Collection of life and family histories among migrants in and around Muhammadabad (Ghazipur District, Uttar Pradesh) and Howrah (West Bengal)

January-June 2014, Internship with the Aman Panchayat, a Delhi-based NGO conducting work in Bihar.

- Focus of the research: study of the migratory pattern at the village, family and individual level in the district of Jehanabad, Bihar.

## **Participation in seminars, conferences and summer schools**

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- International workshop on “History, Memory and the Archives of Experience: Oral Histories of Labour in South Asia”, organised by Merian-Tagore International Centre for Advanced Studies: Metamorphosis of the Political (ICAS:MP) on 23 and 24 May 2017

Title of the presentation: “Calcutta mein bhi tha, yahan bhi tha: continuity and rupture in the life narratives of returned migrants in North India”

- International Conference on “Bihar and Jharkhand: Shared History to Shared Vision”, organised by the Asian Development Research Institute in Patna on March 24-28 2017

Title of the presentation “The multiple faces of the Bidesiya: exploring the figure of the “up-country migrant” in Eastern India”

- International Conference “Servants’ Pasts, 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> Century”, organised by Charu Gupta (University of Delhi), Ravikant (CSDS), Nitin Varma (Re:Work, Humbolt University of Berlin) and Nitin Sinha (ZMO, Berlin), held at the Center for Studies of Developing Societies, New Delhi on 16-18 February

Title of the presentation “Labour Market Segmentation, Circulation and Representation of Work: Exploring the concept fo Naukri in the Bidesiya Tradition”

- Seminar at the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta, on August 9, 2016

Title of the presentation: “The multiple faces of the Bidesiya: exploring the figure of the “up-country migrant” in Eastern India”

- XIth International Conference on Labour History Theme: “*Workers, Labour and Mediation*” organised by the Association of Indian Labour Historians and V. V. Giri National Labour Institute on March 21-23 2016

Title of the presentation “Circulatory labour practices and the constitution of a trans-regional scale of social relations in North India, 1920s-1980s”

- Public lecture given at the Mahanirban Calcutta Research Group on November 6, 2015

Title of the presentation: “Circulatory Labour Practices and the Constitution of a Trans-regional Scale of Social Relations: Circuits of Migration in the Bhojpuri Region, 1910s-1980s”

- International Summer Academy, “Work in Post-Slavery Societies: Gender and Generations”, organised by the centre Work and Human Lifecycle in Global History (Humbolt-Universität zu Berlin) and the doctoral school “Etudes sur l’Homme et la Société” ETHOS (University Cheikh Anta Diop, Dakar) from January 26 to February 1, 2015

Title of the presentation: “Internal work migration and the demise of the bonded labour system: the meaning of mobility in rural Bihar”

## **Publications**

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- Book review “Vanessa Caru. *Des toits sur la grève. Le logement des travailleurs et la question sociale à Bombay (1850-1950)*, *International Review of Social History*, Vol. 62, Issue 1, April 2017, pp. 156-158

- Book review “Jean Louis Margolin et Claude Markovits, *Les Indes et l’Europe: histoires connectées XVe XXIe siècle*”, in *Vingtième Siècle*, 2016/4 (no. 132)

## **Teaching**

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**Winter Semester 2016-2017:** Seminar for the course “Revolution, Empires and Nations, a political history of Europe in the 19<sup>th</sup> century”, Bachelor, First Year. Sciences Po, Paris, France (in French)

Teaching Assistant of Pr. Nicolas Delalande for the lecture “Revolution, Empires and Nations, a political history of Europe in the 19<sup>th</sup> century” Bachelor, First Year. Sciences Po, Paris, France (in French)

**Summer Semester 2015-2016:** Seminar on “Social Movements in Colonial and Post-Colonial India” Bachelor, Second year. University of Goettingen, Germany (in English)

## **Languages**

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French (mother tongue), English (fluent. IELTS 2013: 8.5), Hindi (very good), Urdu (speaking proficiency, basic reading), Bhojpuri (intermediate)