### **Heterodox Economics Newsletter**

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As usual, this issue of the Heterodox Economics Newsletter is full of important and timely items documenting recent and upcoming activities related to heterodox economics. Some of the items below relate to issues covered in past editorials: for instance, my short report on my personal ASSA-experience<sup>4</sup> is complemented by a series of calls for papers for the next meeting in Atlanta, early 2019 (see here<sup>5</sup>, here<sup>6</sup> and here<sup>7</sup>). Another example relates to the role of women and minorities in the economics profession, which I recently covered here<sup>8</sup> and which also made it into the mainstream media (e.g. this piece<sup>9</sup> in the *New York Times*). In this context, the AEA has not only issued a partly self-critical statement but also published a draft for a future code for conduct ( see below<sup>10</sup>), requests comments on said draft and, in addition, announced the creation of its own job-market site. While these changes focus mainly on diversity in terms of race, gender and sexual orientation and do not necessarily contribute to greater theoretical diversity in contemporary economics, they are surely an important step in the right direction.

Also in the spirit of tracking the status of theoretical diversity in the profession, this Newsletter's journal section includes the recent issue  $^{11}$  of  $Oxford\ Review\ of\ Economic\ Policy,$  which features a special issue containing reflections on "rebuilding macroeconomic theory" from acknowledged mainstreamed researchers. The issue contains self-critical as well as defensive contributions and hosts bold confessions like "Macroeconomics is about general equilibrium" (by Olivier Blanchard in his contribution  $^{12}$ , which could be characterized as an effort to immunize the current DSGE-workhorse-model against critique). In any case, the selected issue is definitely interesting when it comes to stay on track with broader mainstream debates on the adequacy of the standard research program.

Finally, I wanted to point my younger readers to this year's EAEPE Summer School<sup>13</sup>, whose organizers have managed to recruit a rather excellent and outstanding group of

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contributors. I was, honestly, impressed and wished I could be a PhD-student again, if only for a week ;-)

All the best,

Jakob

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### **Call for Papers**

# 12th Pan-European Conference on International Relations (Prague, Sept 2018)

12-15 September, 2018 — University of Economics (VSE) and Institute of International Relations (IIR), Prague

Organised in collaboration with CEEISA  $\scriptstyle-$  Central and East European International Studies Association.

### General Call for Papers and Panels – NOW OPEN

Main theme: "A New Hope: Back to the Future of International Relations"

International relations, both the subject matter and the discipline, have been in a state of malaise for at least a decade: a seemingly never-ending stream of wars and crises in our object of study is matched by a perceived disciplinary fragmentation and the alleged end of cohesive theorising about major issues. Yet we often overlook the many reasons for not despairing: for example, globally, fewer people than ever live in poverty and an energy revolution might be underway, while the discipline of IR has become a more eclectic and inclusive space in terms of both its approaches and its demographics. As a problem oriented discipline, IR has for more than a century oscillated between bleak pessimism about the scale of the problems and naïve optimism about future solutions. After a decade of despair, it is time that we once again broaden our horizons to include at least the possibility of hope.

The 12th Pan-European Conference on International Relations invites the International Studies community to explore the possible future(s) of international relations: will we be seeing recurring patterns of enmity and conflict, a gradual change beyond the system or a positive trajectory towards a better future? Is that future inevitable? Which present day choices are more instrumental in shaping the things to come? We particularly welcome contributions that look to the future while being grounded in nuanced understandings of the past. While we encourage participants to submit proposals in line with the conference theme, we are open to and invite contributions from all sub-fields of International Studies, as well as from the other branches of the social sciences that are concerned with similar questions and themes.

Call for Sections - Closes: 01/02/2018

- **Programme Co-Chairs:** Dr Halvard Leira (NUPI) and Dr Ayse Zarakol (University of Cambridge)
- Local Organiser: Dr Benjamin Tallis, IIR Prague
- Local Host: Štěpánka Zemanová, VSE Prague

All Proposals must be submitted through the form available  $here^{14}$ .

All information about the Conference is available at  $www.eisapec18.org^{15}$ .

General Enquiries to info@eisapec18.org<sup>16</sup>.

Programme Enquiries to programme@eisapec19.org<sup>17</sup>.

### Timeline

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- 02/10/2017 Call for Sections Opens
- $\bullet$  06/11/2017 Call for Sections Closes
- 04/12/2017 Decision on Sections
- $\bullet~01/12/2017$  General Paper and Panel Call Opens
- 01/02/2018 General Paper and Panel Call Closes
- 05/03/2018 First Choice Selection by Section Chairs
- 30/03/2018 Deadline for Panel Forming by Section Chairs
- 05/04/2018 Acceptance letters (emails) Registration Opens
- 14/05/2018 Registration Closes Deadline
- 05/06/2018 Finalisation of Sections
- 15/08/2018 Finalisation of Programme

Call for Panel/Roundtable and Paper submissions: Section 18: Global Epistemics: Structures, Practices, and Pathways of Knowledge Formation and Diffusion

Section Chairs: Berit Bliesemann de Guevara ( beb<br/>14@aber.ac.uk^18 ) & Inanna Hamati-Ataya ( ih<br/>335@cam.ac.uk^19 )

Knowledge is a condition of human life and development, and permeates all aspects of our societal evolution and transcultural exchanges. While times of social crisis bring forth the politics of knowledge as an intrinsic dimension of dynamics of power and authority, oppression and contestation, these are but partial manifestations of the deeper entanglement of our epistemic and socio-political histories, which predates the emergence of modern 'knowledge societies' and can be traced back to the earliest stages of human civilisation.

This section invites contributions to 'Global Epistemics' as a space of transdisciplinary inquiry into human knowledge across its material and discursive manifestations, past and present, and a reflection on its future condition and its role in mediating global political conflicts, problems, and solutions.

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We welcome panels, roundtables, and papers anchored in micro-studies of contemporary structures and practices of knowledge formation and diffusion, as well as longue-durée analyses of macro patterns of socio-epistemic development within and across cultural and political regions, from Antiquity to the present. We are especially interested in cross-disciplinary perspectives on the politics of competing knowledges and epistemologies; the epistemic structures of international and global orders and hierarchies; transcultural pathways of traveling knowledges; imperial and counter-imperial epistemic systems and practices; agnotology and the diffusion of ignorance, doubt, and uncertainty; the securitisation of knowledge, science, and technology; the globalisation of scientific and technological revolutions; and the political economy of knowledge production and transmission.

This Section is sponsored by the Centre for the International Politics of Knowledge ( $KNOWLEDGE^{20}$ ) and the Centre for Global Knowledge Studies ( $GloKnoS^{21}$ ).

### Panel on "What is to Be Done With Dependent Development (in Peripheral Europes)? A Critical IPE Perspective"

Chair: Tomáš Profant (Institute of International Relations, Prague)

**Discussant:** Johannes Jäger (University of Applied Sciences BFI, Vienna)

The historical perspective has always been integral to critical International Political Economy. One of the issues that were relevant throughout critical IPE's history is the question of what is to be done with the dependent development of peripheral capitalism(s) or, in other words, how to best understand (peripheral) capitalism's particular as well as general geographical-historical articulations. Such a question has not been posed only against the actually existing evidence of transnational socioeconomic inequalities, but also against the ahistoricist assumptions of mainstream IPE about these inequalities as a normal part of the international economic landscape. In contrast, critical IPE scholars have dedicated themselves to the task of deconstructing the (historical) insertions of peripheral populations into the world market in order to reconstruct the (re)production of transnational socioeconomic inequalities inherent to this process. This required not only the (re)turn of IPE to (inter-)temporal analysis, but also the equally important (re)turn to the (inter-)spatial perspective. One could only then get a situated knowledge of how dependent development varied across time and also space within the geo-historical (dis)continuities of global capitalism. This panel thus asks the following questions:

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- How can we best understand the (re)production of dependent development in Europes historical (Eastern and Southern) peripheries?
- What can a reexamination of their (re)insertions tell us about the nature of the continental socio-economic order which has developed around the European integration since the 1980s?
- What were the historical social forces and processes underpinning dependent development?
- And which political-economic (counter-)strategies can we associate with it?

We plan to submit the panel to the section "S42 - The Turn to History in IPE" and strive for a diverse representation of both topics and participants.

The paper proposals can be submitted by **26 January 2017** to the following email addresses:  $profant@iir.cz^{22}$  and/or daniel.sitera@uni-leipzig.de<sup>23</sup>

### Section 39 (S39): "Power in Global Tourism"

Section Chairs: Elisa Wynne-Hughes (Cardiff University) and Sarah Becklake (University of Lancaster)

Global tourism is often celebrated and promoted as an everyday form of 'international relations' capable of bringing about profits and peaceful relations at both micro and macro levels. Yet whether one should find 'hope' in tourism and what this really means for the future of IR are questions that have not yet been adequately critically interrogated. This section provides a productive space to theorize the historical, contemporary and projected role of tourism in global and international relations. It foregrounds power to maintain a focus on how tourism is entangled in processes of governance, violence, inequality, and inclusion/exclusion.

A thorough understanding of power in global tourism requires an interdisciplinary approach. This section therefore brings together scholars from across the social sciences. It focuses on global tourism to appeal to those studying tourism mobilities and practices occurring not only across state borders, but also at global and local scales. In highlighting different forms of power, the section will appeal to those employing post-colonial, feminist, critical political economy, poststructural, and practice/performance approaches.

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Papers in this section will speak to the following themes (among others): touristic (im)mobilities, the touristification of institutions; tourism representations and encounters; touristic boundaries and identities; and tourism's relationship with the 'natural'. Across each theme, participants are encouraged to explore the intersections and manifestations of diverse forms of power. By bringing together various academics working on questions of power in global tourism, the section will create a scholarly network that can collaboratively contest the advance of an increasingly touristic future.

Paper and panel proposals should be submitted to the 'Power and Global Tourism' section (S39) through the online portal<sup>24</sup>.

Submission guidelines are available  $here^{25}$ .

Questions should be sent to info@eisapec18.org<sup>26</sup> or directly to Sarah ( s.becklake@lancaster.ac.uk<sup>27</sup> ) and Elisa ( Wynne-HughesE@cardiff.ac.uk<sup>28</sup> ).

# 20th Anniversary Conference of the Association for Heterodox Economics (Leicester, July 2018)

5-7 July, 2018 — De Montfort University, Leicester, UK

The 20th Anniversary Conference of the AHE (Association of Heterodox Economics) is being held at De Montfort University, Leicester, UK. The AHE has established a reputation as a major forum for the discussion and development of interdisciplinary and pluralistic alternatives to mainstream economics. It is committed to strengthening the community of heterodox economists, and to the development of heterodox economic theories. Recognition of failures within mainstream economics and popular discontent about economic problems are widespread. We particularly encourage submissions for streams and papers on the history of economics; finance, banking and financialisation; austerity, inequality and diversity; sustainable economics and climate change; methodology; teaching and learning; heterodox microeconomics; and other standpoints which critically examine the mainstream, such as critical management studies.

### Academic Committee

Proposals for streams, papers and bursaries will be reviewed by an academic committee comprising Lynne Chester (University of Sydney), Thoralf Dassler (University of West-

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minster), Ioana Negru (SOAS, University of London), and Bruce Philp (Birmingham City Business School). We aim to notify successful participants and bursary winners within two weeks of the closing date. The decision of the academic committee will be final.

Please complete this form<sup>29</sup> with your proposal(s).

The conference language is English. Normal sessions will be 90 minutes long and will usually consist of two or three papers with at least one discussant. You do not need to submit a paper to register. Participants should be prepared to serve as discussants and/or session chairs.

### **Deadlines**

- Proposals for complete sessions by 1st February 2018:
- Abstracts for single papers (not more than 250 words) by 1st March 2018.
- Draft papers for refereeing by 1st May 2018.
- Normal registration by 1st May 2018.
- Late registration by 1st June 2018.
- Final submission of papers, for inclusion in the online programme, by 8th June 2018.

### Location

De Montfort University is located in the East Midlands, UK. Mainline trains depart from St Pancras, London, adjacent to the Eurostar terminal, and take approx 1hr 15 mins. Coaches to East Midlands Airport take from 25 minutes; Birmingham Airport from 45 mins; and Heathrow from 2hr 25 mins.

### Registration, Fees and Bursaries

Normal registration is expected to open on 1st February 2018 and close on 30th April 2018. Normal registration will be around £200 including VAT (£120 for concessions). Late registration will be available until 1st June 2018, at around £250 including VAT (£200 for concessions). Fees are expected to include a 20th Anniversary drinks reception, a Richard III Tour, all refreshments and lunches, and a two course meal with wine on Friday 6th July. University accommodation will be available at £36 per night including VAT. If you wish to be considered for a bursary, please indicate on the application form.

### Registration Conditions

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup>https://goo.gl/forms/gHeHpOUAGtkj6TvY2

You will receive a receipt from the AHE upon registration payment. Except for duplicate orders, refunds will not be given. Attendees are responsible for arranging their own VISAs. You should take out travel insurance in the event of being unable to attend due to ill health, VISA issues, etc. If your sponsor is paying for your registration, please allow sufficient time for payment to be processed via Paypal. Certificates of Attendance can be provided after the conference, for an administration fee of £100. Bursary winners must attend and present a paper before the bursary is paid.

To see details of previous conferences, and to keep up to date with the 2018 conference and other AHE activities please visit the AHE website<sup>30</sup>.

### 2nd International Conference in Contemporary Social Sciences (Crete, June 2018)

14-16 June, 2018 — University of Crete, Rethymno, Greece

In contemporary societies social science is oftentimes interlaced into public policy. Yet, informing public policy with social science research is a complex process which manifests power relations. Whether we refer to the local, regional, national or transnational level, designing public policy remains a convoluted and intricate series of actions and dynamics. Especially in the framework of the current globalised economy and the recent global economic crisis, developing and establishing public policy is undoubtedly affected by a multitude of factors. As such, the systematic study of public policy in its diverse aspects represents a challenge for the Social Sciences. Public policy analysis needs to critically reflect on its own role in (de)legitimising policies and also of its usage from state agents or public authorities. There is no doubt that these issues require interdisciplinary methods and approaches that trespass the borders of any individual social discipline. Only through an open and dynamic dialogue between the various fields that constitute social science and beyond it will it be possible to effectively address the crucial issues that relate to the development and implementation of public policy in our days.

The Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Crete, aware of these challenges and the interdisciplinary nature of the issues that arise regarding public policy in contemporary social and financial conditions, announces the organisation of an international conference on the subject of public policy and the role of social sciences. Researches from all fields of social science (including economics, political science, psychology, sociology, history and social anthropology) are invited to participate. Interdisciplinary approaches are particularly welcome, as are papers with a comparative analytical perspective.

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- 2. Employment and unemployment policies
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- 4. Educational policies and reform
- 5. Urban policy
- 6. Rural policy
- 7. Mental health care policy
- 8. Health care reforms
- 9. Refuge and migration policies
- 10. Environmental policies
- 11. Energy Policy
- 12. Youth Policy
- 13. Effectiveness of policy reforms
- 14. Methodological issues and theoretical inquiries in the study of public policy.
- 15. Public policy in comparative perspective.
- 16. Public policy in historical perspective.

Papers, especially interdisciplinary ones, on any other aspect of social science are also welcome. Suggestion for panels or streams are also welcome.

You are invited to send a title and a summary (up to 500 words) of your proposed paper or the title(s) of the panel(s) together with the titles of the papers to be presented and the names and affiliations of the authors of each paper by 15th of February 2018.

Registration deadline: 30th April 2018.

Participants who wish their papers to be uploaded on the conference website before the conference, should submit their full-text paper by the 5th of June.

Further details can be found at the conference website<sup>31</sup>.

<sup>31</sup>http://icconss.soc.uoc.gr/en/

# 30th Annual Conference of the European Association for Evolutionary Political Economy (Nice, Sept 2018)

6-8 September, 2018 — University of Nice Sophia Antipolis, France

General Theme: "Evolutionary foundations at a crossroad: Assessments, outcomes and implications for policy makers"

### Keynote Speakers

- R.R. Nelson, University of Columbia, New York
- S.G. Winter, Wharton School (tbc)

### First Call for Papers

The 30 EAEPE Annual Conference will take place in Nice on 6-8 September 2018. The theme invites contributions to consider existing evolutionary theories and new developments in the field and the potential for putting theory in practice to cope with the complexity of the real world.

### Background to the 2018 Conference Theme

The organisers want to celebrate the legacy of evolutionary theories from a critical perspective that should enrich, complement, revisit and rebuild their foundations from the perspectives of citizens, policy makers and society. The conference theme acknowledges the principal ambition of evolutionary theories to understand emerging new theories and interpret the relevant changes. Evolutionary theories are inspired mainly by biology; however, they draw also on science and the fields of complexity, network modelling, physics, neuroscience, political science and historical sociology. From a methodological and historical perspectives, evolutionary foundations are interpreted in line with the institutions, rules, innovations and transformations (Hayekian, Schumpeterian, Veblenian, post-Keynesian approaches among others). Questions are now emerging about the utility of evolutionary theories to understand the dynamic of change in a capitalist system, on the one hand, and about the necessity of a new metaphor in economics and the social sciences more generally, on the other hand.

These issues will be addressed within an open agenda to understand the impact and outcomes of these theories. These approaches are at an important methodological cross-roads between their future outcomes and their epistemological foundations. Darwin and the natural selection argument is ever-present and, sometimes, is claimed to be the founding principle. At the same time, some industry and organisational dynamics are being extended to include the evolution of demand, questions related to climate change and transformations needed to the capitalist system.

Evolutionist theories rely on a highly positivist vision of innovation as, overall, a vector of growth and progress which may underestimate the role of demand, the negative externalities of innovation and the burden of these adverse effects for governments. Work in this area points to the pertinence of ecological issues, which, viewed through a different lens, could become the new warhorse of evolutionist theories in general and from the perspective of both innovation and social policies.

The conference will provide some unique opportunities to revisit the foundations of evolutionary theories, to discuss alternative points of view at the macro, meso and micro levels, and to enrich traditional evolutionary background with diverse fields such as complexity science, biology, physics, philosophy sociology, history of thought, and management science among others. The aim is to provide new empirical evidences and fresh insights for policy makers to understand the complexity of structural change, redefine innovation and formulate new innovation policies, which allow a rethinking of the role of the State in relation to transition issues; define and build commons to manage environmental issues; establish new partnerships with developing countries; investigate new ways of consuming and producing; shape new institutions to manage these structural changes; redefine social interactions related to demand and the labour market; define new business models relevant to the internet age; identify new organizing principles in the context of a knowledge economy; and finance and participate in a greener economy.

### **Abstract Submission**

You are invited to submit an extended abstract **no later than March 31, 2018** on the conference website. Following the usual format, prospective participants are invited to submit a paper related either to the theme of the conference or one of the diverse EAEPE Research Areas<sup>32</sup> as well as special sessions. Abstracts (300-750 words) should include the following information: authors' names, email addresses and, affiliations, and name and code of the relevant research area. Following notification of acceptance, you will be invited to submit the full paper. Please have in mind that only one presentation per author is allowed; additional papers can be submitted by the same author but need to be presented by a registered co-author, if accepted by the scientific committee in advance.

### **Special Session Submission**

For cross cutting issues, we are encouraging Special Sessions proposals across Research Areas and in new fields for providing fresh new insights. All special sessions need to get submitted online via a submission form that will go online on January 6th. Please indicate the following points: "Title of the Special session", the Name of Organizers of Special Session", "Funding required or not. If "funding required": "Amount of funding requested", "Name of Research Areas involved", "Names of Participants and Invitees"; "Planned Title for Special Issue + Name of Journal"

<sup>32</sup>http://eaepe.org/?page=research\_areas

The notification of acceptation of Special Sessions will occur on the 1 of March 2018. After evaluation of the Special Session proposal by the EAEPE Council, all people involved should submit their abstract in the usual procedure.

### **Local Organizers Committee**

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### **Important Dates**

- 6 January, 2018: Abstract Submission to Regular Sessions Opens Online
  - Special Session Proposal Submission Opens Online
- 15 February, 2018: Special Session Proposal Submission Deadline
- 1 March, 2018: Abstract Submission to Special Sessions Opens Online
- 31 March, 2018: Abstract Submission Deadline for all kind of sessions
- 30 April, 2018: Notification of Abstract Acceptance; Registration Opens
- 31 May, 2018: Early Registration Closes
- 30 June, 2018: Late Registration Closes (for authors to be included in the scientific programme)
- 31 July, 2018: Submission of Full Papers Deadline

### Conference Fees

Details about the conference fees can be found here<sup>33</sup>.

<sup>33</sup>http://eaepe.org/?page=events&side=annual\_conference&sub=eaepe\_2018

For participants from developing countries and regions particularly affected by crisis Please apply in advance to Pasquale Tridico ( tridico@uniroma3.it $^{34}$  ) and Oliver Kessler ( oliver.kessler@uni-erfurt.de $^{35}$  ).

#### Venue

The conference will take place at ISEM (School of Economics and Business), University of Nice Sophia Antipolis, Campus St Jean d'Angely, Nice. The conference is easily accessible by tram from Nice city centre.

#### Contact

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Download the First Call for Papers<sup>37</sup>

### Call for Papers: EAEPE Research Area J on "Monetary Economics, Finance and Financial Institutions"

This research area provides a pluralistic and interdisciplinary forum for the analysis of financial markets and their role in economy, culture and society. With respect to the general theme of the 30th EAEPE Annual conference, this research area wants to address to problem of how critical research in Monetary Economics, Finance and Financial Institutions is put into practice. 10 years after the Great Financial Crisis, it is not only time to evaluate established policies meant to stabilize the international financial architecture but also to think about new tools and instruments which are to affect the financial system for the better. Thus, we want to explore (but by no means limit ourselves to) the following topics of policy change:

### New drivers of systemic risk

- How does financial innovation impact on the governance of the financial system?
- What are the implications of newly emerged regulatory concepts since the Great Financial Crisis such as macro-prudential regulation?
- How do regulatory concepts not only address but also generate systemic vulnerabilities?

### New strategies for transnational arbitrage

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup>http://eaepe.org/content/documents/Conference2018/EAEPE2018\_1stCfP\_Nice.pdf

- What kind of strategies do financial institutions use to interact across borders?
- How do national reforms affect the international financial architecture?
- How do international regulatory frameworks affect national jurisdictions differently?

### New technologies of financial governance

- How do financial institutions make use of technological innovations?
- How do new technologies affect the regulatory tool box and the financial system?
- How does technological innovation change the methods for analysing the financial system?

We welcome submissions of individual papers or panels. Panel submissions are thought to contain 4 to 5 contributions, chair and discussant. Paper abstracts (300-750 words) should include the name(s), email address, affiliation of the authors, along with the name and code of this Research Area. Submissions should be handed in via the EAEPE website<sup>38</sup>.

**Abstract submission deadline is March 31, 2018.** Notification of acceptance will be sent out on April 30, 2018. Submission for Special Session Proposals closes on February 15, 2018. For questions please write to the coordinators of this Research Area: BenjaminWilhelm (benjamin.wilhelm@uni-erfurt.de<sup>39</sup>) or Ian Crowther (ian.crowther@mbs.ac.uk<sup>40</sup>).

## 9th International Conference in Political Economy (Pula, Sept 2018)

12-14 September, 2018 — University of Pula, Pula, Croatia

### General Theme: "The state of capitalism and the State of Political Economy"

IIPPE calls for general submissions for the Conference, and particularly welcomes those on its core themes the state of capitalism and the state of political economy, which will be the focus for the plenary sessions. Proposals for presentations will, however, be considered on all aspects of political economy. New participants committed to political economy, interdisciplinarity, history of political and economic thought, critique of main-

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stream politics and economics, and/or their application to policy analysis and activism are encouraged to submit an abstract.

Submissions may be made as (a) proposals for individual papers (which IIPPE will group into panels), (b) proposals for panels, (c) proposals for streams of panels, or (d) proposals on activism. To submit a proposal, please go to the following Electronic Proposal Form (EPF)<sup>41</sup>, and carefully follow the instructions.

### The deadline for proposals is March 15, 2018.

All other deadline dates are included on the Electronic Proposal Form. For the last conference in Berlin we had more than 450 registered presenters. Due to the high number of participants, we cannot be flexible on the deadlines.

For general information about IIPPE, the Working Groups and the Conference, click here  $^{42}$ .

We look forward to an outstanding conference in Pula.

### The Conference Organising Committee,

Alfredo Saad Filho, Johnna Montgomerie, Niels Hahn, Ourania Dimakou

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### Panel on "Social capital, public participation and democracy" organised by Social Capital Working Group

### **Organiser:**

- Asimina Christoforou, Athens University of Economics and Business
- Luca Andriani, Birkbeck, University of London

### Call for Papers

Current economic crises are deeply rooted in an institutional crisis, in a social and democratic deficit. Nowadays we often question the ability of economic and political institutions to translate people's needs into social welfare: austerity policies have led to poverty and inequality; public goods and services in crucial areas of health, education and the environment are in decline; decisions in parliaments, elections and referenda are being challenged; human rights, especially those of immigrants and workers, are being violated; outspoken scholars and activists are being persecuted; extremist groups are

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdSIL-fk3\_te7MllwAmRUYZIPhDgu\_W0lYwzIZmd6c7JCYxng/viewform

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spreading fear and violence; and civil conflicts and international disputes are spurring threats of war and human extinction.

We also encourage contributions that generally address the topic of social capital. We welcome works that derive from various social science disciplines and use different units of analysis (individual, regional, country or cross-country level), methodologies and techniques (theoretical, empirical, qualitative and quantitative).

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Please submit your proposal by March 15, 2018. To submit a proposal, please go to the following Electronic Proposal Form (EPF)<sup>43</sup>, and carefully follow the instructions. You will need to select the Working Group "Social Capital".

For general information about IIPPE, Working Groups, and the Conference please go  ${\rm here}^{44}$ .

For queries and suggestions, you may contact Asimina Christoforou, Coordinator of the Social Capital Working Group: asimina.christoforou@gmail.com $^{45}$ .

## Annual Conference of the African Studies Association of UK (Birmingham, Sept 2018)

11-13 September, 2018 — University of Birmingham, UK

The African Studies Association of UK (ASAUK) organises a conference at University of Birmingham, UK.

The conference celebrates the diversity and interdisciplinarity of the study of Africa. To build networks among scholars interested in similar topics or fields, the conference includes several thematic streams<sup>46</sup>. One stream that should be particularly interesting to heterodox economists is: **TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS IN AFRICA** – **CRITICAL AND EMANCIPATORY APPRAISALS** 

Transnational corporations (TNCs) are key shapers and influencers of economic, social and political outcomes in every nation. This is especially true in developing countries

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdSIL-fk3\_te7MllwAmRUYZIPhDgu\_W0lYwzIZmd6c7JCYxng/viewform

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<sup>46</sup>http://www.asauk.net/activity/streams-asauk-2018/

with suppressive leaderships. This is mainly because the economic size of TNCs means greater power asymmetries in relation to host countries. This thematic stream consists of papers that critically examine operations of TNCs in African economies, while pointing out practical policy recommendations to minimise their destructive role and maximise their constructive role in the emancipation of African citizens in respective country. This entails a mix of radical and progressive policy changes that are designed to context, optimally sequenced and dynamically enforced. However, given the various levels of government indifference to such policy recommendations, the papers also include incentives and inducements to alter their indifference, while empowering civil society groups in the country. The intention is to trigger a virtuous cycle that enables the African country to jump off the race to the bottom, and instead jump on emancipatory policy solutions towards the top.

If you have any queries or suggestions please contact Deniz Kellecioglu ( kellecioglu@un.org $^{47}$ ).

For panel and paper submissions please follow the instructions on the  $\,$  conference website  $^{48}$  .

The deadline for submissions is 16 February 2018.

### Association for Evolutionary Economics @ ASSA: Call for Papers (Atlanta, Jan 2019)

4-9 January, 2019 — ASSA conference, Atlanta, US

Association for Evolutionary Economics (AFEE): Call for Papers on "Institutional Economics in the "True Age of Uncertainty""

In "This is a True Age of Uncertainty" published in *The Guardian*, Barry Eichengreen commemorates the fortieth anniversary of John Kenneth Galbraith's *The Age of Uncertainty* by comparing the issues that concerned Galbraith with those we confront today. Eichengreen writes: "Viewed from the perspective of 2017, however, the uncertainty of 1977 seems enviable. Although *The Age of Uncertainty* was about much more than the year 1977, it captured the tenor of the times. But if Galbraith was writing the same book in 2017, he probably would call the 1970s The Age of Assurance."

Thus, Hyman Minsky's 1996 exhortation is even more urgent today: "The tolerance for uncertainty is limited. When uncertainty leads to an unsatisfactory result, then it becomes the duty of society in general to protect its citizens against the consequences: a sacrifice of narrow technical efficiency may be called for." What can institutional

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<sup>48</sup>http://www.asauk.net/call-for-papers-and-panels-asauk-2018-now-open/

economists contribute to help fulfill this social obligation? The objective of the 2019 AFEE Conference is to continue the organization's long tradition of generating and disseminating ideas and policy recommendations to help ensure widely-shared social progress.

Although we encourage submissions on all topics related to evolutionary economics, preference will be given to those closely aligned with the conference theme. The following are examples of issues that may be addressed:

- 1. The fraying of political institutions as a consequence of hyper-globalization.
- 2. Financialization and the persistence of economic imbalances.
- 3. Polanyi's double movement: A resurgence of economic liberalism, or a protective response?
- 4. Politics, science, and climate change.
- 5. Refugees, migrants, and human rights.
- 6. The future of macroeconomic stabilization policy in an age of austerity.
- 7. Technological change (especially robotics and artificial intelligence) and job or basic income guarantees.
- 8. Income and wealth inequality.
- 9. Race, gender, and class: widening or narrowing differences?
- 10. Theoretical or historical studies of uncertainty.

### Submission Requirements and Procedures

**Deadline:** The submission deadline is April 15, 2018, and no late proposals will be considered. Acceptance or rejection notices will be sent by early June 2018.

Membership Requirement: At least one of the authors (and preferably all co-authors) of any paper must be a member of AFEE by the submission deadline. For membership information, please visit http://www.afee.net<sup>49</sup> or contact Eric Hake (AFEE Secretary-Treasurer) at erhake@catawba.edu<sup>50</sup>.

Expectation of Attendance: At least one author of an accepted paper should attend the conference and participate in as many sessions as possible. ASSA monitors attendance, and organizations with low turnouts may be allocated fewer sessions at future

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meetings. Because ASSA currently limits the number of AFFE sessions, we regret having to reject many good proposals. \*

**Submissions:** Please send an e-mail to David Zalewski (program chair) at zalewski@providence.edu<sup>51</sup> with the following information in an attached MS Worddocument:

- 1. Name, professional affiliation, e-mail address, and mailing address of the corresponding author and all co-authors
- 2. Title of the proposed paper
- 3. JEL code(s) [ https://www.aeaweb.org/econlit/jelCodes.php<sup>52</sup> ]
- 4. Abstract of no more than 250 words
- 5. Willingness to serve as session chair or discussant (specify fields)

Conference Proceedings: Papers presented at the AFEE meeting in Atlanta are eligible for publication in the June 2019 issue of the Journal of Economic Issues. To be considered for publication, the text of your paper cannot exceed 2,850 words, with no more than four pages (total) of double-spaced endnotes, references, tables, and figures. The deadline for submission to the JEI is **December 17, 2018**. JEI submission details will be provided to authors whose proposals are accepted. All criteria for the submission of papers, including deadlines, will be strictly enforced by the JEI editor, William Waller. Papers should be sent by email attachment to waller@hws.edu<sup>53</sup>.

\* All papers not accepted for the AFEE program at ASSA will be automatically considered for the AFEE portion of the ICAPE conference, which will be held at Agnes Scott College in Atlanta on January 3, 2019. More information can be found at www.icape.org $^{54}$ 

# Association for Social Economics @ ASSA: Call for Sessions (Atlanta, Jan 2019)

4-9 January, 2019 — ASSA conference, Atlanta, US

Main theme: "Beyond the Machine: Economies as Social Institutions"

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Many economists rely heavily on a machine metaphor when seeking to describe and analyze market-using or capitalist economies. These economic systems are said to be characterized by various principles (e.g., self-interest and profit maximization) and be driven by laws or mandates (e.g., a growth imperative or the "laws of capitalism"). With their fundamental behavior thus attributed to physics-like forces, it would seem that social relationships, historical developments, and the influence of human consciousness and values might be mere epiphenomena, rather irrelevant in light of the system's presumed universal essence. A human life of meaning and ethical significance, some claim, is only possible elsewhere—either in a separate social sphere assiduously protected from commodification, or perhaps only within economic systems or organizations built on completely different principles. The Association for Social Economics, however, welcomes scholars who "regard human behavior to be the result of complex social interactions with ethical consequences." What if our economies are not something outside our social world, but are actually the outcomes of our "complex social actions" as we deal, over the decades and every day, with our values, beliefs, ethics, and problems?

For the ASE sessions at the 2019 ASSA meetings, we welcome proposals for papers/sessions on all aspects of social economics, but preference will be given to papers that explore the implications of questioning presumed mechanical "essences" and instead locating economies thoroughly within the realm of social life. Possible questions include but are not limited to:

- Corporations, families, inequality, and innovation are often described and analyzed in mechanistic terms. What insights do we gain by taking their social nature more seriously?
- While "capitalism" is often described in terms meant to apply universally, what can we learn from the observation of real-world capitalisms?
- Reflecting back on the narrowly mechanistic approaches, have they had damaging effects? What—in historical, psychological, or political terms—might explain their continued influence?
- As social institutions, economies also reflect the ethical, religious, and spiritual dimensions of the humans who constitute them. How is this important?
- What sorts of methodologies are appropriate for studying economies as social creations? Could other schools of economics and other disciplines enrich how social economists analyze power, norms, institutions, care, and uncertainty?
- In addition to being socially embedded, economies are also embedded in our natural environment. How should this this affect the practice of social economics?

Proposals for papers as well as complete sessions are welcome. The submission deadline is May 1, 2018. The online form will be active soon. Individuals whose papers are accepted for presentation must either be or become members of the Association for Social Economics by July 1, 2018 in order for the paper to be included in the program. Membership information can be found at www.socialeconomics.org<sup>55</sup>. All papers presented at the ASSA meetings are eligible for the Warren Samuels Prize, awarded to the best paper that advances the goals of social economics and has widespread appeal. Papers can also be considered for a special issue of one of the association's journals, or for edited volumes.

**Note:** Due to limited session slots, we may not be able to accept all submissions. Any paper that cannot be incorporated into the ASE program will be automatically considered for the ASE portion of the **ICAPE conference**, January 3, 2019, Agnes Scott College, Atlanta, GA. See icape.org<sup>56</sup> for details.

Please send an email to Julie Nelson at Julie.nelson@umb.edu<sup>57</sup> with any questions.

### Call for book proposal submissions: "Critical Digital and Social Media Studies series"

Critical Digital and Social Media Studies<sup>58</sup> is an established book series edited by Prof Christian Fuchs on behalf of the Westminster Institute for Advanced Studies<sup>59</sup> and published by the University of Westminster Press<sup>60</sup> (UWP). We invite submissions of book proposals that fall into the scope of the series.

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE:** Monday **12 February 2018** 23:00 BST, by e-mail to Andrew Lockett (University of Westminster Press Manager), a.lockett@westminster.ac.uk<sup>61</sup>

#### CALL DETAILS

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup>https://www.uwestminsterpress.co.uk/site/books/series/critical-digital-and-social-media-studies/

 $<sup>^{59} \</sup>mathtt{https://www.westminster.ac.uk/the-westminster-institute-for-advanced-studies}$ 

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After the publication of five titles in the series <sup>62</sup> we invite submission of book proposals (adhering to the guidelines set out below) as one document with one full chapter for books in the range of 35,000-80,000 words. The books in the series are published online in an open access format available online without payment using a Creative Commons licence (CC-BY-NC-ND) and simultaneously as affordable paperbacks. We are able to publish a number of books in the call without any book processing charges thanks to generous support by the University of Westminster that covers these fees. Potential authors are welcome to contact the series editor outside of the initial time frame of this call for book proposals but should note that priority for funding support for suitable projects will be given to those proposals meeting the deadline. There is a preference for the submission of proposals for books whose writing can be finished and that can be submitted to UWP within the next 6-15 months. In the event of a surplus of strong proposals preference will be given to single-authored book proposals over edited volumes.

Outside these time frames authors are welcome to submit to the publisher a.lockett@westminster.ac.uk<sup>63</sup> but will be notified if funding has already been allocated and the prospective date for the next call for publication. Authors who have access to open access fee-funding (e.g. covered by research project funding, universities or other institutions) that can cover the fees for layout and production are welcome to contact the publisher outside of the submission dates, but should note selection is based only on grounds of quality and suitability for the series notwithstanding that the series wishes to welcome as many suitable titles as possible. We welcome submissions of a book outline proposal with (exactly one) sample chapter submitted as one *single* Word or PDF document. We can only accept suggestions for books written in English. For further details see the Proposal Guidelines below or if you have questions about the publishing process email a.lockett@westminster.ac.uk<sup>64</sup>.

### CRITICAL DIGITAL AND SOCIAL MEDIA STUDIES: AIMS AND SCOPE

The book series "Critical Digital and Social Media Studies" publishes books that critically study the role of the Internet, digital and social media in society and make critical interventions. Its publications analyse how power structures, digital capitalism, ideology, domination, social struggles shape and are shaped by digital and social media. They use and develop critical theories, are profoundly theoretical, and discuss the political relevance and implications of the studied topics. The book series understands itself as a critical theory forum for Internet and social media research that makes critical interventions into contemporary political topics in the context of digital and social media. It is also interested in publishing works that based on critical theory foundations develop and apply critical social media research methods that challenge digital positivism. It furthermore is interested in digital media ethics that are grounded in critical social theories

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup>https://www.uwestminsterpress.co.uk/site/books/series/critical-digital-and-social-media-studies/

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and critical philosophy. The book series' understanding of critical theory and critique is grounded in approaches such as critical political economy and Frankfurt School critical theory.

### **TOPICS**

Example topics that the book series is interested in include: the political economy of digital and social media; digital and informational capitalism; digital labour; ideology critique in the age of social media; new developments of critical theory in the age of digital and social media; critical studies of advertising and consumer culture online; critical social media research methods; critical digital and social media ethics; working class struggles in the age of social media; the relationship of class, gender and race in the context of digital and social media; the critical analysis of the implications of big data, cloud computing, digital positivism, the Internet of things, predictive online analytics, the sharing economy, location- based data and mobile media, etc.; the role of classical critical theories for studying digital and social media; alternative social media and Internet platforms; the public sphere in the age of digital media; the critical study of the Internet economy; critical perspectives on digital democracy; critical case studies of online prosumption; public service digital and social media; commons-based digital and social media; subjectivity, consciousness, affects, worldviews and moral values in the age of digital and social media; digital art and culture in the context of critical theory; environmental and ecological aspects of digital capitalism and digital consumer culture.

### PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

For books to be considered for the series please follow the guidelines below including the following:

UWP proposals to be presented under headings rather than as a questionnaire the following being suggested as a framework.

- 1. Case for the book, its scope (short 150 word summary): Name of book and a description in 150-200 words; why a book is needed in the area and what is distinctive and unique about the book in terms of intellectual contribution and subject matter.
- 2. Author details and biography: Details of author or principal editor/editor's contact details and one paragraph detailing institutional affiliations, relevant previous publications and relevant history of research underlying the book
- 3. Context for the book (relation to the wider academic field/s) and relation to CDSMS series aims.
- 4. Summary of the book's aims (longer summary): A longer summary of the book's distinctive intellectual contribution both in terms of the wider intellectual field but also in terms of the author's own publications history

- 5. Chapter plan: A chapter plan with a paragraph of content about the coverage of each chapter and brief details of bibliography, appendices and other apparatus proposed.
- 6. Readership and how to reach it: Core readership and subject areas the book would appeal to and cover, and any tertiary audiences either in terms of general interest or other academic fields; How should the readership for the book in your opinion be best identified and reached? What factors do you think are most relevant in terms of ensuring the book is successfully published and makes an impact? Are there other things you think it important to stress about the readership for the book and how they might be reached?
- 7. Competing and related books: An account of competing titles and books closest resembling that in your proposal; what is the books unique intellectual contribution;
- 8. Delivery date, length and any other publishing specifics: If a single or dual authored book, the length of the book, the proposed delivery date, any presentation or production preferences or typesetting or production requirements for the book including use of illustration, data, specialist typography or colour printing
- 9. Sample Chapter (attach exactly one sample chapter).

Series proposals are peer-reviewed in accordance with standard university press practice via the series editor, editorial board members and additional external referees where appropriate.

Further details can be found here  $^{65}$ .

## Cambridge Journal of Economics: Special Issue on "Phenomena Generated in the Open Social System"

Social reality is open in the sense that event regularities or correlations are rare at best. Even in the non-social sciences such regularities are mainly restricted to (closed) conditions of well controlled experiment, where they correlate the event of triggering an (experimentally) isolated 'atomistic' mechanism and its unimpeded effect. By atomistic is meant having the same independent and invariable effect whatever the context. If, as many have argued, social phenomena are generally neither atomistic nor isolatable (with all social phenomena being constituted in relation to other social phenomena) then how do we study them? What methods are appropriate for social analysis, if social

 $<sup>^{65}</sup> https://uwestminsterpress.blog/2018/01/08/call-for-book-proposal-submissions-2018-critical-digital-and-social-media-studies-series/$ 

phenomena, or those of interest to social theory, are mostly (or even to a significant degree) generated in open systems?

Most contributors do seem to recognise at some level that social reality is open. Few, though, emphasise, and even fewer act upon, the possibility that this feature of social reality bears consequences for method, the focus here. In consequence, little attention is anywhere given to elaborating methods for addressing phenomena generated in open systems. The intention here is to address this absence. In seeking so to do, there is no suggestion being made that methods (like mathematical modelling) that rest on closures can have no place. Rather, the concern is that methods explicitly oriented to dealing coherently with open systems' phenomena do not get much space or attention at all. Indeed, given the heavy emphasis on mathematical modelling in modern economics, it is likely that many lack an incentive to concern themselves with anything else.

If the argument that 'the openness of social reality necessarily bears consequences for method appropriate to its investigation' is one that is rarely advanced or heard, it is nevertheless not especially novel.

Keynes, for example, made the case on several occasions. Thus, in response to an invitation from the League of Nations in the 1930s to review Tinbergen's early econometric work on business cycles (and building on the ontological analysis as earlier laid out in his A Treatise on Probability), Keynes writes, on the topic of econometric models,: "The coefficients arrived at are apparently assumed to be constant for 10 years or for a larger period. Yet, surely we know that they are not constant....". His reasoning is that regularities are unlikely unless certain conditions are satisfied. The latter are "that social phenomena take the form of "independent atomic factors and between them completely comprehensive, acting with fluctuating relative strength on material constant and homogeneous through time". Keynes stresses however that "we know that every one of [the...] conditions is far from being satisfied" (Keynes, 1973, pp. 285–6), and so concludes that the methods are inappropriate for social analysis. Keynes' emphasis on 'completeness' here, of course, is equivalent to the requirement of isolatability: if you cannot experimentally isolate a single atomistic causal factor then, to produce an event regularity, all factors that can make a difference must be included. For Keynes the nature of reality (its openness in effect) means that very different sorts of methods are required to investigate social phenomena. But did he suggest any?

Writing well before Keynes, Veblen coined the term neo-classical precisely to characterise those economists that recognised the openness of social reality (comprising processes of un-patterned, non-uniform cumulative causation sequence) but failed to fashion appropriate methods; who instead of turning to evolutionary methods of the sort that Veblen considered appropriate, still adopted methods (which Veblen termed taxonomic) that presupposed social reality was everywhere closed.; Thus focussing on these neo-classical economists Veblen writes:

But what are these evolutionary methods? Does Veblen himself anywhere elaborate?

Veblen was writing over a century ago, and Keynes 80 years ago. Clearly in the intervening period there has been ample opportunity for contributors to develop methods or approaches appropriate to investigating phenomena of open systems. But has this happened? If not why not?

The proposed symposium is concerned with addressing these sorts of issue, by considering the theme of method and approaches for analysing phenomena of open systems from all directions. The focus could be history of thought, for example looking at contributors who explicitly recognised the importance of the openness of social systems, and perhaps proposed methods for dealing with it, or failed to do so. If that latter, why was this? Or the focus could be on the endeavour of those modern economists that, in acknowledging that social reality is open, do suggest ways forward. Alternatively, contributors may present their own assessments on appropriate methods. The latter may range from fashioning specific methods, to addressing related issues such as those listed below, to giving reasons for supposing that sticking with methods that presuppose closed systems somehow remains relevant. Others may simply seek to explain why ontological insight has not led to a greater level of response at the level of determining, or outlining the shape of, appropriate approaches and methods.

In short, the primary aim of the symposium is both to initiate a better understanding of how a recognition or assessment of the openness of social reality (or its absence) has figured in the development specifically of methods and approaches to analysis, in particular why it has not had a greater impact, and also to encourage researchers to concern themselves with seeking to develop or elaborate methods and approaches that are relevant to the analysis of open social systems.

Any contributions, whether historical, developmental, primarily critical, or whatever, on the theme of the symposium are welcome.

Specific topics consistent with the theme include (this is a merely indicative, by no means comprehensive or spanning list of over-lapping possibilities in no particular order):

- 1. Approaches/methods (novel or otherwise) for analysing phenomena generated in open systems
- 2. The contribution of abstraction to investigating the phenomena of open social systems
- 3. Dialectical method(s) and open social systems
- 4. Contrast explanation and open social systems
- 5. The use of ceteris paribus clauses

- 6. The place of simplifications in the face of open systems
- 7. The possibility of being never knowingly unrealistic
- 8. Ethical and/or policy stances in the face of open systems
- 9. The acknowledgement/utilisation/avoidance/neglect of methods for phenomena of the open social system in the history of economic thought
- 10. Explaining why a recognition of the openness of social reality has not typically led to methods appropriate to social analysis.
- 11. Investigating why the emphasis on openness in the likes of Keynes, Veblen and Marx is not more reflected (or acknowledged) in the contributions of many contemporary post Keynesians, (Veblenian) institutionalists and Marxian economists?
- 12. Openness and the methods of feminist economists
- 13. Marx's method and the analysis of open social systems
- 14. Open social systems and the method of successive approximation
- 15. Openness and causal explanation
- 16. Openness and possibility of successful prediction
- 17. Open social systems and methodological pluralism
- 18. Complexity analysis for open systems?
- 19. Responses to openness in any of: Keynes, Marx, (Joan) Robinson, Hayek, Veblen, Sraffa, Schumpeter, Polanyi, Commons, Post Keynesians, Feminist Economists, Institutionalists, Marxian Economists, Environmentalists
- 20. Are economists less accommodating of openness than others in their methodological practices? If so why?

#### Instructions to authors

Submissions should be made using the journal's online submission system<sup>66</sup>.

Please indicate that your manuscript is a candidate for the special issue. Authors are also advised to include a note to this effect in a covering letter which can be uploaded during the submission process.

<sup>66</sup>http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/cje

All papers submitted will be evaluated using the CJE normal peer review process.

Please also see the Journal information for authors  $here^{67}$ .

The deadline for submissions is **31st October 2018**.

### Freedom and Justice Summer Conference (Pablo, June 2018)

14-16 June, 2018 — Salish Kootenai College, Pablo, Montana, US

The National Economic Association (NEA) and the American Society of Hispanic Economists (ASHE) announce and invite paper submissions for their fifth annual summer conference June 14-16, 2018. This year's theme is "Freedom and Justice: Structural Violence, Power Relations, and Community Resources".

The conference will be hosted and co-sponsored by Salish Kootenai College, a Tribal College in Pablo, Montana. The Freedom and Justice Conference is an interdisciplinary social justice conference that attracts a small group of scholars who are dedicated to discussing pressing economic problems and their solutions for communities of color.

We are especially interested in papers/panels submissions that address the following topics, including those that have an intersectional analysis:

- Reparations
- Sustainability
- (Re)Building Communities
- Indigeneity, Indigenization, Cultural Knowledge and Practices Community Organizing and Sustainability
- Precarious Employment and Communities of Color
- Cooperative Economics
- Health Disparities
- Casino Economies
- Economics of Policing Communities of Color Race and Access to Public and Publicly-Provided Goods (higher

<sup>67</sup>https://academic.oup.com/cje/pages/general\_instructions

education, clean water, safe streets, transportation, health care, housing policy, etc.)

• Tribal Communities, Infrastructure, and Resource Extraction

We invite scholars to explore these and other questions at our interdisciplinary summer conference. Presenters are expected to contribute to conference discussions for the full two days.

Abstracts of approximately 200 words with title of presentation should be sent as Word attachments to <code>nbanks@bucknell.edu^68</code> . Conference presentations must be no longer than 15 minutes.

The abstract submission deadline is February 28, 2018.

Abstracts must include presenter?s name, title, affiliation, mailing address, e-mail address, phone number(s), and any audio/visual requests. We invite submissions for individual papers as well as for panels. Presenters will be notified of status by March 5th. All presenters and attendees must register for the conference in order to attend.

The Conference registration fee is \$125 and is waived for graduate students and participants from the host institution (Salish Kootenai). The conference registration and hotel information will be on-line and available once submissions have been accepted.

Nestled beneath the Mission Mountains in Pablo Montana, Salish Kootenai College is an inspiring location within minutes of fishing, hiking, and boating opportunities. Glacier National Park is a short and beautiful 2 1/2 hour drive north. The National Bison Range is within 30 minutes. And, Flathead Lake (the largest freshwater lake west of the Mississippi) is less than 10 minutes away. http://conf.skc.edu/<sup>69</sup>

## History of Economics Society @ ASSA 2019: Call for Sessions (Atlanta, Jan 2019)

4-9 January, 2019 — Atlanta, US

The History of Economics Society (HES) will sponsor four sessions at the Allied Social Science Associations (ASSA) meetings<sup>70</sup>, January 4-6, 2019, Atlanta, GA, USA.

The ASSA offers historians of economic thought an opportunity to present high-quality historical research to a wider audience of professional economists. Given this, preference

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 $<sup>^{69} {</sup>m http://conf.skc.edu/}$ 

<sup>70</sup>https://www.aeaweb.org/conference/future-annual-meetings

will be given to proposals that are most likely to interest the broader community.

Please remember proposals are invited for entire sessions, rather than single papers. Please submit session proposals, including abstracts for the proposed papers (approximately 1000 words), to me at m.j.boumans@uu.nl<sup>71</sup>.

The deadline for submissions is May 1, 2018.

### International Schumpeter Society Conference (Seoul, July 2018)

2-4 July, 2018 — Seoul National University, South Korea

The biennial conference of the International Schumpeter Society will be held in 2018 in Seoul, Korea. Under the theme of innovation, catch-up, and sustainable development, it will be held on campus of Seoul National University for the three days of July 2-4, 2018; It will start from the morning of July 2 Monday to end by the afternoon of July 4 with the Schumpeter Prize dinner on July 3.

We invite you to submit abstract of your papers to be considered for presentation at the conference. The conference will bring together scholars, policy makers and practitioners, including graduate students, working on broad issues related to innovation from a variety of perspectives. It also aims to foster an interdisciplinary exchange of knowledge. There will be the Prizes for the best papers by young scholars, in addition to the Schumpeter Prize.

Please find a call for papers and specific instructions for submissions here<sup>72</sup>.

Some of the tentative names for keynotes speakers include B. Lundvall, J. Sachs, M. Egidi, Justin Lin, H. Odagiri, F. Malerba, David Sainsbury (Chancellor of Cambridge Univ.), Xiaobo Wu, and K. Lee (Presidential address), etc.

Among the regular paper presentors, relevant scholars will also be invited for special sessions such as Sessions on Frontier of Innovation Studies, and on Modern Evolutionary Economics, and etc. The Conference is open to submissions that deal with theoretical, methodological, empirical, and policy issues with Innovation, Catch-up, and Sustainable Development.

We will provide some financial support for the selected graduate students (or young scholars), in particular those from developing countries, upon arrival in Seoul. The exact amount will be decided later, depending upon ex post budget situations. Those in need of such support can write to the conference secretaries.

<sup>71</sup>mailto:m.j.boumans@uu.nl

<sup>72</sup>https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=iss2018

Following the tradition, there will journal publication of papers presented at the ISS 2018 conference in the special issue of Journal of Evolutionary Economics (official journal of the ISS), as well as an edited volume by the Cambridge Univ. Press.

In addition, we plan publications of special issue in other journals, like Journal of Technology Transfer (on Changing Interface between Local Capacity and Global Connections), Seoul Journal of Economics (SCOPUS: on Innovation in Asia), Asian Journal of Technology Innovation, and Singapore Economic Review.

### IMPORTANT DATES

Submissions will be open to February 28, 2018.

### CHAIRMAN of the Local Organizing Committee:

• Dr. Keun Lee, President of the ISS (Professor of Economics, Seoul National University; Kenneth@snu.ac.kr<sup>73</sup>)

#### CONFERENCE VENUE

• Seoul National University<sup>74</sup>, 1 Gwanak-ro, Gwanak-gu, Seoul<sup>75</sup> 08826, Korea

### CONTACT

• Dr. Raeyoon Kang (Ph. D in Economics); E-mail: iss2018seoul@gmail.com<sup>76</sup>

More details can be found at the conference website<sup>77</sup>.

### International Workshop on "Financialization and development policies" (Hamburg, Sept 2018)

12-14 September, 2018 — University of Hamburg, Germany

Theme: Financialization and development policies: Critical perspectives on new financial circuits for international development projects

In this conference we look at the ways in which private finance actors or practices are enrolled and associated to the conception and implementation of policies for inter-

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<sup>75</sup> https://maps.google.com/?q=1+Gwanak-ro,+Gwanak-gu,+Seoul&entry=gmail&source=g

 $<sup>^{76}</sup>$ mailto:iss2018seoul@gmail.com

<sup>77</sup>http://www.iss2018seoul.com/

national development. In parallel to the implementation of policies oriented towards "development goals", the development landscape has seen over the last decades a transformation in partaking actors that now encompass charitable foundations, multi-national corporations, and financial intermediaries, in addition to multilateral or bilateral public development banks and aid agencies. "Financing development", in other words finding additional monetary resources, has now become an issue at the top of the agenda of multilateral development actors. Increasingly, these strive to commit private actors and to "lever in" private money.

Against the backdrop of increasing plurality of relations, tools, actors, and practices in international development, this conference focuses on the particular issue of financial circuits and their relation to development projects. These circuits include for example: the development of private equity financing by development banks and more generally the use of "alternative financial instruments" (in the words of the World Bank); the promotion of social businesses or social enterprises promising "sustainable" operation without "grant dependence" as targets for "impact investors"; the mobilization of microcredit, micro-insurance, or mobile payment devices into the structuring of new deals, the increased role of private foundations acting as "catalytic actors" (in the words of OECD); or the implication of private financial actors such as international banks, insurance companies or fintech companies into the design of development policies.

This conference aims at assembling sociological, socio-historical and institutional analyses of these changes in the financing circuits and methods of international development aid over the last decades. We are particularly interested in empirical analyses of the changing role of financial actors, tools, innovations and practices in international development.

We are keen to hear of analyses that transcend the level of discourse and publicly communicated intentions and focus on in-depth case studies of finance in action. These may focus on the description, genealogy, consequences, work or limits of financialization in development. We are equally interested in analyses that "follow the money" of given projects through different stages and levels, paying attention to the kind of money circulating (origins, conditionality,...), as well as more horizontal, comparative, or longitudinal studies of finance in international development. This does not mean that we are only interested in the "successful" creation of such circuits – to the contrary, we also embrace studies that investigate failures of, in, and around such financial circuits. We are equally interested in analyses focusing on traditional Western actors such as the Bretton Woods institutions, as well as emerging and non-Western actors such as such as the China Development Bank, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, but also local actors in the Global South, and "South-South" relations.

We welcome papers from a variety of disciplines such as, for example, sociology, political science, critical geography, history, anthropology, political economy, organization theory, social movement theory, or science and technology studies.

The conference aims to address six thematic clusters that are presented below, together with non-exhaustive lists of examples.

- 1. Private actors and development finance circuits: How are private actors such as financial investors, fintech companies, insurances, "catalytic" foundations, multi-national corporations, law and consulting firms, and NGOs affecting the emergence and implementation of new financial circuits in development? What are their previous trajectories, motivations, initiatives, and strategies? What are the (political, institutional, economical, financial) drivers that contribute to the creation of these new circuits? How are these financial circuits internally contested, for example between lenders and equity investors? What kinds of new relations emerge and in which contexts? How is profitability and return constructed within development finance?
- 2. State, policy, and finance: How are states and policymakers shaped or affected by and constitutive of financial circuits in international development? How does austerity politics, implemented in OECD countries since the 2008 crisis, relate to development financial circuits? How do social transfer policies contribute to reshaping development financial circuits? What is the influence of recent national political transformations such as the "alternative right" on these issues? What is the role of state "failures" and "failed states"? How are these new financial flows related to evidence-based policy? How are political relations between states, and geopolitics more broadly, translated into these financial configurations?
- 3. **Public finance:** How are organizational interests of public financial intermediaries (such as public development banks, the European Investment Bank and -Fund, or the World Bank) affecting the growth and trajectories of development financial circuits? How are transformations of public management and public finance devices related to development financial circuits? What is the role played by finance and treasury ministries? Has there been a qualitative or quantitative shift in public spending in relation to financial actors (such as direct subsidies, tax incentives, guarantees, "blended" and "anchor" investments, risk transfers)? Do the politics of "debt" have changed through these arrangements?
- 4. Tools, devices and technologies: What are the trajectories and the genealogy of devices used in the establishment in development finance circuits? How do these devices become policy instruments? How are specific technologies, such as mobile phones, used as tools for the development of new financial services in the Global South? What are the respective roles of financial and insurance valuation techniques, of science? How does financial and scientific expertise combine in these devices? How do they connect different conceptions of risk? What are their political economic consequences, and how do they distribute rights and duties, organize the circulation of money between parties, and construct accountability?

- 5. Contests and barriers: Are there structural boundaries to the rise of finance in international development? How are critical actors reacting to the deployment of these financial instruments? What is the influence of geopolitical contests on development financial circuits? How are postcolonial economic relations translated into new financial practices? Do non-western capitalist frames, such as Islamic finance, have an effect on these new circuits?
- 6. Corruption, illegal, and offshore finance: What is the role of corruption, tax avoidance, and non-transparent market places for the emergence of development financial circuits? How is this "dark" side of finance sustaining or prohibiting development cash-flows? How do these actors change the financing and the practices of development?

Contributors are invited to submit an initial proposal of up to 800 words (plus references). These proposals should be sent by email to devfinconf@ehess.fr<sup>78</sup> by March 6 2018. When submitting your paper, please indicate clearly to which of the six thematic clusters you are aiming to contribute. Moreover, your proposal must include a title, research question, and a brief indication of your data and methodology.

Authors will be notified by April 10 2018 the latest whether or not their proposal has been accepted. Accepted authors are required to submit a full paper (maximum 12,000 words) by **August 20 2018**. A limited number of grants will be available to cover travel and residence costs (further details after acceptance).

Conveners: Eve Chiapello (EHESS Paris) and Anita Engels (Universität Hamburg)

The organizing committee furthermore comprises Sara Aguiton (CNRS France), Stefan Aykut (Hamburg University), Philipp Golka (Hamburg University), Eduardo Gresse (Hamburg University), Isabelle Guerin (IRD, France), Océane Ronal (EHESS France)

Link to the Call for Papers can be found here<sup>79</sup>.

## Launch of new "Journal of Participation and Employee Owner-ship": Call for Papers

The Journal of Participation and Employee Ownership (JPEO), a new journal launching in 2018, is currently inviting papers on original empirical and theoretical research in the broad area of employee participation and shared capitalism from a wide range of disciplines (e.g. economics, HRM and industrial relations, management science, sociology,

 $<sup>^{78}</sup>$ mailto:devfinconf@ehess.fr

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup>https://www.ehess.fr/fr/appel-recherche/call-abstract-financialization-and-development-policies-critical-perspectives-new

public policy). The Journal is edited by a highly respected and prestigious editorial team in the field, Richard Freeman (Harvard University) and Takao Kato (Colgate University).

Articles published in 2018 will be freely available throughout 2018 to allow greater visibility of authors' work. Once accepted, individual articles will be typeset, proofed and published online as the Version of Record within an average of 32 business days.

JPEO is endorsed by the Fellowship Program on Employee Ownership and Profit Sharing at the School of Management and Labor Relations at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, New Jersey, USA as well as the International Association for the Economics of Participation (IAFEP).

In addition, the Beyster Foundation for Enterprise Development is sponsoring a \$1,500 annual award for excellence in research published in the Journal. The winner of the Prize, selected by the Editors across the past published volume, will be announced in the first issue of the Journal in the following year. The author(s) of the winning paper will receive a plaque, \$1500 award from the Beyster Foundation for Enterprise Development, and recognition at the Beyster Symposium, in June in La Jolla, California.

Submissions to the journal are made online here  $^{80}$ . Before submitting please refer to the author guidelines set here. Articles can be submitted at any time and there is no submission fee.

The Journal also welcomes proposals of special issues on topical areas, please contact the Editors, Richard Freeman and Takao Kato at jpeoeditor@gmail.com<sup>81</sup> for further information.

For queries on the title, please email the Editors at jpeoeditor@gmail.com<sup>82</sup> or the Publisher at Emerald Publishing, Valerie Robillard, vrobillard@emeraldgroup.com<sup>83</sup>.

You can follow the journal at: https://twitter.com/JPEOJournal<sup>84</sup>

For more information, please visit the journal's website<sup>85</sup>.

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# Quarterly Journal for Studies and Research on Welfare: Special issue on "The relationship between social policies and the processes of financialization"

Guest Editors: Davide Caselli and Joselle Dagnes, Università di Torino

Autonomie Locali e Servizi Sociali (Quarterly Journal for Studies and Research on Welfare) invites proposals for a Special Issue (Feb/2018) focused on the relationship between social policies and the processes of financialization.

Theme: "Rescued by Finance? Empirical analyses and critical perspectives on the interaction between financialization and wellbeing/welfare"

In the context of the international economic crisis and Austerity policies, financial players and methods are indeed gaining increasing relevance in ordinary people's daily life as well as in Welfare policy. Furthermore, this process shows a strong variegation in the different national and local welfare systems and in the different policy sectors, requiring accurate and groundbreaking analyses. More specifically, the literature highlights two dynamics:

- The *financialization of well-being*: the increasing resort by individuals and families to non-public forms of insurance involving finance in order to guarantee their present or future living conditions e.g. supplementary pension, health insurance policies, debt to cope with healthcare and care services costs. Other cases involve education, e.g. student loans, and housing, e.g. mortgages and residential leasing schemes;
- The financialization of welfare: the increasing involvement of financial actors in planning and financing social policy interventions. With different intensity and development, these trends are observed in the areas of pensions (e.g. pension funds, financial advances for pensions); real estate (e.g. real estate funds for social housing); community services (e.g. philanthropic grants, social impact investing, social impact bonds).

These emergent and complex phenomena are strictly connected with the inequality structure. In fact, both can be presented as social innovations providing new solutions to old problems, i.e. democratisation of the access to loans on the one hand and new *win-win* dynamics on the other hand. But they also risk to exacerbate existing inequalities and create new areas of marginality, i.e. persistence of high entry barriers and segmentation in the access to credit on the one hand and loss of individual rights – or even overcoming the culture of social rights – on the other hand.

Moreover, these processes deeply affect social workers, partially redefining ways and

contents of their work and their relation with citizens, and service users in particular (e.g. activating spending and saving courses or promoting individualized financial activities and products). These processes raise important issues also with regard to the possibility of *voice* by the operators in the construction of new policies and in the definition of their daily practice.

We encourage proposals on the following topics inter alia:

- Case-studies focusing on the contamination between well-being/welfare and finance, and its impact on the inequality structure;
- Case-studies focusing on (even partial) experimentations of these models, and analysis of the technical (legislative, financial) tools involved;
- Public regulation of the phenomenon, looking at the role of the State as facilitator or as obstacle;
- New actors which entered the field of welfare through financialization (financiers, service providers, consultants, technicians) and the relationship between them and "traditional" welfare actors;
- Impact of financialization processes in the planning and design of services and/or in the daily practice of the operators;
- Analysis of the semiotic dimension of the process: which new cultural models are conveyed by the dynamics of financialization? Which others are discredited?
- Processes and outcomes of the dialogue/translation between the languages and values of Welfare and those of the financial sector;
- How individuals and families manage their debt and investments in the well-being/welfare field;
- Emergent alternative practices of self-defence from financialization processes in the field of social policies

A 500-words abstract is required by **15 February 2018**, to be sent to Autonomie Locali e Servizi Sociali ( autonomielocalieservizisociali@gmail.com<sup>86</sup> ) and to Davide Caselli ( davide.caselli@unito.it<sup>87</sup> ) and Joselle Dagnes ( joselle.dagnes@unito.it<sup>88</sup> ).

Selected abstract must be developed into 35-40,000 characters articles and sent to the same contacts by 15 May 2018 and will then go into a double-blind refereeing process.

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## Social Ontology 2018 Conference (Boston, Aug 2018)

22-25 August, 2018 — Tufts University, Boston, MA, USA

Organized by Brian Epstein, Tufts University and David Schweikard, Europa-Universität Flensburg

In August 2018, Tufts University will host the biennial social ontology conference. This major conference will bring together international leaders across fields studying the nature of the social world and how to improve our models of it.

#### Call For Abstracts

• Deadline: February 28, 2018

• Notification of acceptance: April 15, 2018

• Submit abstracts (300-500 words) here<sup>89</sup>.

#### Topics and tracks will include:

• Approaches to the metaphysics of the social world

- Collective intentionality and group cognition
- The nature of institutions, firms, and corporations
- The metaphysics of race and gender
- The nature of law and legal applications of social ontology
- Collective and distributed responsibility
- Group agency and the building of civic institutions

#### Keynote speakers

- Daron Acemoglu, Killian Professor of Economics, Department of Economics, MIT
- Cristina Bicchieri, S.J.P. Harvie Professor of Social Thought and Comparative Ethics, University of Pennsylvania

<sup>89</sup>https://goo.gl/D8Ps7R

- Edwin Etieyibo, Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Witswatersrand
- **Kit Fine**, Silver Professor of Philosophy and Mathematics, Department of Philosophy, NYU
- Sally Haslanger, Ford Professor of Philosophy and Women's and Gender Studies, Department of Linguistics and Philosophy, MIT
- Scott Shapiro, Southmayd Professor of Law and Philosophy, Yale Law School

#### Call for Collective Responsibility Symposium Abstracts

As part of the conference, the program 'Responsibility in Society and Technology (ReST)' is sponsoring a symposium on collective responsibility. We especially welcome contributions discussion so-called "responsibility gaps," situations in which an unstructured collective or a collective agent is responsible without any of its individual members bearing a correlative responsibility. The 'ReST' program is funded by the Netherlands Organization of Scientific Research (NWO). Please indicate your interest in being considered for the symposium in the text of your submission to EasyChair<sup>90</sup>.

#### Essay prize

On the occasion of the conference, the International Social Ontology Society will award an essay prize in social ontology for early career scholars (up to six years after completing their PhD). The prize comes with an award of 500 euros and publication (after suitable revisions) in the Journal of Social Ontology. Please look for further announcements for details of the prize competition and deadlines for submission. For more information, contact David Schweikard (david.schweikard@uni-flensburg.de $^{91}$ ).

#### Conference Info

Contact us: philosophyevents@tufts.edu<sup>92</sup>

More details can be found at the  $conference website^{93}$ .

## Young Scholars Program @ HES Conference (Chicago, June 2018)

14-17 June 2018 — Chicago, US

 $<sup>^{90}</sup>$ https://goo.gl/D8Ps7R

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 $<sup>^{92} \</sup>verb|mailto:philosophyevents@tufts.edu|$ 

<sup>93</sup>https://isosonline.org/Social-Ontology-2018

The HES provides support for several Warren J. and Sylvia J. Samuels Young Scholars to present papers at the conference, in the form of free registration, banquet and reception tickets. Some of the Young Scholars awardees will also receive a grant of \$600 to cover travel and other costs. If you wish to have your paper considered for the Young Scholars program, please provide

- 1. A short abstract of your paper
- 2. A two page summary of your paper
- 3. An indication of your current graduate student status (CV)

When submitting your paper proposal and indicate that you wish to be considered for the Samuels Young Scholars program. A Young Scholar must be a current PhD candidate, or have been awarded a PhD in 2016 or later.

The conference committee (Joe Persky, UIC and John Berdell, DePaul) prefer correspondence and proposals for papers or sessions to be sent to: 2018heschicago@gmail.com<sup>94</sup>

Please use **HES2018** in the subject line.

The **DEADLINE** for submissions is February 28 2018.

The early registration deadline is March 31.

The program will include plenary addresses by Anwar Shaikh of the New School (Capitalism: Competition, Conflict, Crises. Oxford 2016) and Douglas Irwin of Dartmouth (Clashing over Commerce: A History of US Trade Policy. University of Chicago Press 2017) and our Presidential Address by Evelyn Forget of Manitoba.

Link to the general conference website can be found here  $^{95}$ .

## Young Scholars Workshop on "Institutions and Communities in the History of Economic Thought" (Madrid, June 2018)

6 June, 2018 — Madrid, Spain

The Institute for New Economic Thinking Young Scholars Initiative (INET YSI) Working Group on the History of Economic Thought is organizing a Young Scholars Workshop on Institutions and Communities in the History of Economic Thought.

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<sup>95</sup>https://historyofeconomics.org/hes2018/

## On June 6, 2018, in Madrid, Spain, before the annual ESHET conference<sup>96</sup>

History of economic thought has traditionally concerned itself with systems of economic ideas, "schools of thought," and famous individuals associated with theoretical contributions. A lot of the work is about big names (e.g. Smith, Ricardo, Keynes, etc.), the examination of the internal coherence of their theories, and comparisons with competing theories. This type of idea-driven work feels familiar to young historians of economic thought, many of whom were initially trained as economists and are doing their graduate work in economics departments. However, those working on the relationship between economics and policy at government and international institutions, the identity of economics departments, or the practices at these and other less formal communities are moving into territory for which their training has not usually prepared them.

The theme of this year's pre-ESHET workshop will be the specificities and challenges of writing the intellectual history of economic institutions, organizations, and communities. The workshop will bring together two experts who have done substantial work on the histories of communities and institutions in the history of economics. The workshop aims to help young scholars working on these issues learn about approaches and techniques from senior scholars, discuss challenges they have encountered, and learn from each other's experiences.

The workshop will require preparation in advance from each participant (both reading and writing) and active engagement with the work of others during the workshop so that work gets done and we use the workshop to advance our research. In order to make this as productive as possible we are looking for young scholars, in particular PhD students, whose own research deals with or touches upon the history of communities and institutions within the history of economics.

You can apply by filling out the this online form<sup>97</sup>.

The deadline for applications is February 23. Successful candidates will be notified by the end of February and will be considered for accommodation and travel stipends. For further information and inquiries please contact any of the organizers:

- Juan Acosta, Université de Lille, jca.acostamacia@etudiant.univ-lille1.fr<sup>98</sup>
- Christina Laskaridis, SOAS, University of London, 217924@soas.ac.uk<sup>99</sup>
- Erwin Dekker, Erasmus University Rotterdam, e.dekker@eshcc.eur.nl<sup>100</sup>

 $<sup>^{96} {\</sup>tt http://www.heterodoxnews.com/n/htn222.html\#art-17592186072844}$ 

 $<sup>^{97} {\</sup>tt https://fs24.formsite.com/inet/form172/index.html}$ 

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## **Call for Participants**

### 12th EAEPE Summer School 2018 (Rome, July 2018)

2-6 July, 2018 — University Roma Tre, Rome, Italy

Local Organizers: Pasquale Tridico, Sebastiano Fadda and Riccardo Pariboni

Theme: The changing structure of the economy and the role of the state: de-industrialization and financialization

The EAEPE Summer School is open to PhD students and early-career researchers working in particular in the field of institutional and evolutionary analysis, with a special focus this year on "the changing structure of the economy and the role of the state: de-industrialization and financialization".

Teachers will address these important topics from different perspectives and approaches. In the spirit of pluralism characteristic of the EAEPE, many Research Areas<sup>101</sup> are relevant: Macroeconomics, Labour economics, Effective Demand, Environment-economy interactions, Entrepreneurship and theory of the firm, Methodology of economics, Economic history, Evolutionary economic simulation, Comparative economics, Industrial policy, Institutional change, Innovation and technology, etc.

More generally, contributions from all fields using institutional, evolutionary, multidisciplinary approaches are welcome. Lectures by internationally-renowned scholars will be given in the morning, while afternoons will be devoted to 15 presentations by advanced PhD students and early-career researchers, who will thus benefit from comments and suggestions from experts in the field.

#### Important Dates

• Deadline for application: 15 May 2018

• Successful candidates will be notified by 20 May 2018

• Deadline for accommodation payment: 30 May 2018

#### Summer School Professors

• Ha-Joon Chang University of Cambridge, UK

• Sebastiano Fadda, University Roma Tre, Italy

<sup>101</sup> http://eaepe.org/?page=research\_areas

- Alberto Russo, Polytechnic University of Marche, Italy
- Dany Lang, University of Paris 13, France
- Sue Konzelmann, Birkbeck University of London, UK
- Irene Monasterolo, Vienna University of Economics, Austria
- Giuseppe Fontana, Leeds University, UK
- Giuseppe Travaglini, University of Urbino, Italy
- Pasquale Tridico, University Roma Tre, Italy
- Till van Treeck, University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany
- Mario Pianta, University of Urbino, Italy (TBC)
- Mariana Mazzucato, University College London, UK (TBC)

Summer School Key Words: Structural Change, De-industrialization, Financialization, Industrial policy, Aggregate demand, Institutions, Economic Development, Inequality, Capitalism, Uneven Development, Welfare, Policies, Political Economy.

PhD students can apply by uploading their CV using the online submission form  $^{102}$ . Advanced PhD students and early-career researchers who would like to present their work can submit their proposal or paper along with their CV using the online submission form.

Summer School Website<sup>103</sup> — summerschool@eaepe.org<sup>104</sup>

## Cambridge Trust for New Thinking in Economics Conference on "Inequality" (Cambridge, March 2018)

22 March, 2018 — St Catharine's College, Cambridge, UK

Inequality: trends, causes, consequences, relevant policies

The CTNTE 2018 conference will bring together a carefully selected set of eight papers by renown academics across Europe on inequalities in economic systems. Inequality has been considered a problem by many academics and policy makers for a long time

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 $<sup>^{102}</sup> http://eaepe.org/?page=events\&side=summer\_school\&sub=summer\_school\_application$ 

 $<sup>^{103} \</sup>texttt{http://eaepe.org/?page=events\&side=summer\_school\&sub=eaepe\_summer\_school\_2018}$ 

<sup>104</sup> mailto:sumerschool@eaepe.org

now and recently there has been some evidence of increasing inequalities in the society. Our speakers will focus on the causes and consequences of inequality along with the importance of tackling inequality and recommend potential policies to reduce it, for example, tax reforms. The talks will cover different aspects of inequality - from income to gender – and explore links between inequality and economic growth or financialisaton and financial crisis.

Detailed information regarding the conference programme, speakers and papers is available  $here^{105}$ .

The standard conference fee is £139, but a special rate of £54 is available for academics and not-for-profit organisations. We also offer a number of FREE places for postgraduate students, which are granted on first come, first served basis.

The places are limited, so please register quickly by filling in a registration form here 106

We look forward to meeting you at the conference. In the meantime, if you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us at cambridgenewthinking@gmail.com<sup>107</sup>

Please feel free to pass this invitation on to friends and colleagues who might be interested.

More details can be found here  $^{108}$ .

## Roskilde Summer School on "Repoliticising capitalism" (Roskilde, July-Aug 2018)

30 July - 10 August 2018 — Roskilde University, Denmark

#### Theme: Repoliticising capitalism: contradictions, critique and alternatives

The summer school brings together a faculty of international scholars (including Ngai-Ling Sum and Bob Jessop) and staff from Roskilde University (including Jesper Jespersen and Laura Horn) for an in-depth course on heterodox and critical political economic perspectives. It offers a unique opportunity to directly engage with original economic texts/source material and to explore core dimensions of the critique of (neo)classical economic theory and contemporary perspectives on global capitalism. The focus of the

<sup>105</sup> http://www.neweconomicthinking.org/prog\_March2018.htm

 $<sup>^{106} \</sup>mathtt{http://www.neweconomicthinking.org/register\_2018.htm}$ 

 $<sup>^{107} \</sup>verb|mailto:cambridgenewthinking@gmail.com|\\$ 

<sup>108</sup> http://www.neweconomicthinking.org/prog\_March2018.htm

course is explicitly pluralist, encouraging students to widen their horizon for critical thinking and methodological reflection

The first part of the course 'Economic Thought from Oikos to Economics' traces the history of economic ideas with an emphasis on critical and heterodox approaches. The individual sessions will introduce students to carefully selected primary literature from classical, critical and heterodox strands of economic thought. The objective is to understand the varied historical effect of these theories on both the object of study and the discipline itself. This will provide the foundation for further elaboration on contemporary issues such as debt, unemployment, inequality, and growth.

The second part of the course 'Contemporary Challenges, Critiques and Alternatives' addresses present and pressing issues, through the lens of critical and heterodox political economy. This theoretical and applied pluralism will provide insights on issues such as e.g. the development crisis, financialisation, austerity politics and climate change. Through the employment of recent critiques, the second section of the course hence offers potential pathways towards different conceptualisations and alternatives to "the economy" as we know it.

#### Why do this summer school at Roskilde University?

The 'Repoliticizing Capitalism' course at Roskilde University is the only one of its kind in Scandinavia. It offers a rare opportunity to engage with primary economic texts as well as leading scholars within heterodox economics and critical political economy. The course will contribute substantially to students' understanding of economics, its history and usages. Moreover the specific focus on alternatives and critiques enables students to move beyond orthodox conceptualizations of the economy.

RUC is a critical university, with an explicit focus on creating experimental and innovative learning experiences and knowledge. It has a unique history of student activism and legacy of critical thought that still leaves an impression on university environment. The summer school at RUC not only provides an opportunity to take part in a vibrant academic community, but you will also be presented with the possibility of directly engaging with professors, lecturers and researchers leading within their fields. RUC's dedication to student participation, problem solving and innovative learning approaches will positively add to the credentials of any student.

Located at the city of Roskilde and a 25-min train-ride from Copenhagen, the cultural, social, economic and political happenings are inside the reach of its green surroundings.

For more details, please see the course website 109.

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<sup>109</sup>https://ruc.dk/en/summerschool

The course is offered from 30 July - 10 August 2018. The application deadline is 1 May.

#### Course format

The course takes place over a two week period and comprises a range of activities. Each week there are four days of teaching (seminars and workshops), and one day of self-study.

The seminars presents a variety of critical approaches, drawing on the readings and the lecturers' own work. The core element of the summer school is active learning-oriented workshops, in which the participants discuss the theoretical, methodological and empirical issues raised in the lectures. There will also be opportunities for participants to present their own work to the group. Self-study periods, facilitated by the enabling learning environment at the Roskilde university campus offer an opportunity for students to improve their knowledge and understanding of theoretical perspectives and current affairs. Social activities include film screenings, an evening discussing economics and science fiction, as well as a barbecue.

#### Language

The course is taught in English.

#### Admission and Fees

The summer school is available for master students as well as PhDs (course requirements differ according to which level participants are).

The course carries 10 ECTS; admission for international students (EU/EEA) is 560€. Master students enrolled at a Danish university do not have to pay fees, but need to provide a forhåndsgodkendelse/pre-approval from their university.

Accommodation is available on campus, prices and further details are available upon request.

#### Questions?

If you have any questions please contact Laura Horn (lhorn@ruc.dk<sup>110</sup>).

### The London Realist Workshop: 2018 program

The London Realist Workshop (LRW) discusses contentious issues in realist approaches to science and philosophy. These include, among other things, challenges to realist approaches, critical engagements with the applications of realism to various fields, and dialogues with other philosophical traditions.

<sup>110</sup> mailto:lhorn@ruc.dk

Before each meeting key readings are circulated, and – during the workshop itself – one of us introduces the topic, followed by an open discussion. Meetings are on a monthly basis, take place at room S216 of the Senate House building of the School of Oriental and African Studies (between 18:00-20:00), and are followed by drinks.

If you would like to be kept up to date about our events please either join our Facebook group ("Critical Realism Network UK") or get in touch with us at londonrealistwork-shop@gmail.com<sup>111</sup> and we will add you to the mailing-list.

The list of speakers, dates, and titles/topics for winter 2018 is shown below. All welcome (no RSVP required)! We look forward to seeing you at the LRW.

Venue: SOAS, Senate House Wing

#### Program

- 26 January:
  - Michiel van Ingen (London School of Economics and Political Science): Feminist Security Studies: Towards a Critical Realist Approach
- 16February:
  - Dustin McWherter (Independent Scholar): The Dialectic of Referential Detachment
- 2March:
  - Jana Bacevic (University of Cambridge): The Social Ontology of Critique
- 23March:
  - Alex Hoseason (Aston University): Harm and its Object in International Relations

More details can be found  $here^{112}$ .

## Workshop on "Advances in Minsky's theory of finance-driven business cycles" (London, Feb 2018)

15 February, 2018 — Kingston University, UK

<sup>111</sup> mailto:londonrealistworkshop@gmail.com

<sup>112</sup> https://www.facebook.com/events/1693445737604985/

We are pleased to invite you for a workshop on advances in Minsky's theory of finance-driven business cycles at Kingston University on the 15 of February. The aim of this workshop, organised by PERG and CResCID, is to bring together researchers that work on finance-driven business cycles in the tradition of Hyman Minsky, facilitating advances in the field, cross-fertilization of research projects, and develop new research ideas.

**Time**: 10am- 4.40pm

**Place**: Room 1004, John Galsworthy building, Penrhyn Road campus, Penrhyn Road, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT1 2EE

#### Programme:

10.00-10.15: Registration and coffee

• Engelbert Stockhammer: Introduction to the workshop

10.15-12.15: Session I

- Maria Nikolaidi (University of Greenwich): Minsky models: A structured survey
- Rafael Wildauer (University of Greenwich): Debt-driven growth? Wealth, distribution and demand in OECD countries
- Daniele Tori (Open University, UK): Minsky and the drivers of the (micro)business cycle: A first exploration of firm-level estimations

12.00-13.00: Lunch break

13.00-15.00: Session II

- Engelbert Stockhammer (Kingston University): A Minsky model with endogenous debt targets
- Karsten Kohler (Kingston University): Short- and medium-run financial-real cycles. An empirical assessment
- Giorgos Gouzoulis (Kingston University): Evaluating endogenous debt-driven business cycles with historical macroeconomic data: The case of USA (1890-2015)

15.00-15.20: Break

15.20-16.40: Session III

• Hiroshi Nishi (Hannan University): An empirical contribution to Minsky's financial fragility: Evidence from non-financial sectors in Japan

• Bazil Sansom (Kingston University): Housing-market churn and household sector leverage dynamics in mortgage credit and aggregate demand cycles

Participation is free, but please register here<sup>113</sup>.

## **Job Postings**

### Anglia Ruskin University, UK

Job Title: Senior Research Fellow (at Centre for Pluralist Economics)

• Location: Cambridge

• Salary: £38,833 to £47,722 per annum

• Hours: Full Time

• Contract Type: Fixed-Term/Contract

#### About Anglia Ruskin University:

Anglia Ruskin is a vibrant workplace and our University is gaining prominence both nationally and internationally. We have ambitious plans for the future and we are determined that our students and staff will realise their full potential. Our main campuses in the cities of Cambridge, Chelmsford and Peterborough have been transformed with major capital investment. With an annual turnover of over £200m, we are a major force for higher education and one of the largest universities in the East of England.

#### About the role:

The Business School at Anglia Ruskin University has a strong national and international track record for research, with over 50% of its published research ranked as world leading or internationally excellent in Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014.

The Centre for Pluralist Economics (CPE) in the Department of Economics and International Business (EIB) is recruiting an exceptional researcher to support our emerging research activities. CPE engages in debates about current issues and challenges facing the field of economics through a team of world leading researchers.

<sup>113</sup>http://www.kingston.ac.uk/events/item/2943/15-feb-2018-advances-in-minskys-theory-of-financedriven-business-cycles/

Within the Centre, staff have diverse interests, with particular research strengths in Labour Economics. Our current research clusters are structured around the following themes: Discrimination and exploitation in labour markets; migration, trafficking, modern slavery and labour; development economics; industrial organisation, innovation economics and evaluation of economics curricula. In this role, you'll work on CPE's current research activities. The two key objectives are to a) produce excellent publications in relation to the Centre's current research priorities, and b) write and submit relevant grant applications.

With a PhD or Professional Doctorate in Economics, you'll have a proven high ability in the use of econometric methods, direct experience of attracting significant research funds, and a strong record publication in leading international journals. Your research interests will be consistent with current research directions of the Centre. Experience of writing concise but comprehensive reports/papers and experience of drafting proposals and applications to external bodies is essential.

Applicants are required to submit a detailed CV with publication and grant application list and a research plan.

This is an opportunity for an established, motivated and talented researcher to work with us to further enhance our international reputation in the field of Economics. We are committed to working with individuals for their own professional and career development.

#### Closing Date: 25 February 2018

Informal enquiries can be made to Dr Nick Drydakis, nick.drydakis@anglia.ac.uk<sup>114</sup>

To find out more about working with us, click here 115.

We offer an extensive range of benefits including a generous holiday entitlement, occupational pension schemes, training and development opportunities, travel to work scheme and a competitive relocation package. Visit our benefits<sup>116</sup> page for full details.

Link to the job advert can be found  $here^{117}$ .

## Knox College, US

Job Title: Visiting Postion to teach Intermediate Macroeconomics

 $<sup>^{114} \</sup>verb|mailto:nick.drydakis@anglia.ac.uk|$ 

 $<sup>^{115} \</sup>mathtt{http://www.anglia.ac.uk/about-us/working-here}$ 

<sup>116</sup>http://arujobs.anglia.ac.uk/fe/tpl\_angliaruskin01.asp?newms=info6

<sup>117</sup> http://www.jobs.ac.uk/job/BHH805/senior-research-fellow/

We recently had a professor leave for a job at the Asian Development Bank and so we are seeking someone to teach Intermediate Macroeconomics this spring term. We are on trimesters and our spring term runs from March 21st to May 29th.

Knox College is a residential liberal arts college located in Galesburg, in Western Illinois. ( www.knox.edu<sup>118</sup> ). We are about three hours from Chicago. Amtrak trains from Chicago to and from Los Angles or to and from San Francisco stop here in Galesburg. We have 1400 students with an average ACT of 26.

We anticipate that the class would have 20 to 30 students.

This position could be ideal for a graduate student who wishes to gain teaching experience at a liberal arts college.

If know someone you think might be interested please have them contact cscotton@knox.edu<sup>119</sup>

## Leiden University, NL

Leiden University is advertising three jobs in IR. Applicants in IPE, who can also teach introductory economics, are most welcome to apply:

Job Title: Assistant Professor of International Relations (3 positions, 1.0 FTE)

• Vacancy number: 4643

• Salary: €3,475 to €4,757

• Hours: Full Time

• Contract Type: Fixed Term/Contract

• Placed on: 25th February

• Closes: 1st March

#### Key responsibilities

Due to growth in our programme, we are looking for candidates who are qualified to teach introductory and advanced courses in international relations at the BSc and MSc levels, including international relations theory, international security, international po-

<sup>118</sup>http://www.knox.edu/

<sup>119</sup> mailto:cscotton@knox.edu

litical economy, international environmental politics, international law, and other topics. Candidates also qualified to teach the politics of policy-making and policy evaluation should indicate this in their application. The institute's academic staff are all expected to supervise undergraduate and graduate theses, to acquire external research funding, to contribute to the Institute's research output, and to participate in the intellectual and administrative life of the Institute.

#### Selection criteria

- Applicants must hold (or be near to completing) a PhD in Political Science with a strong training in international relations;
- Applicants should have a promising research agenda and publications in one or more areas of international relations, plus relevant teaching experience and good teaching evaluations;
- Fluency in English is required; fluency in Dutch at the time of appointment is desirable but not required. Candidates are expected to be able to communicate with staff and students in Dutch within three years of appointment;
- Leiden University requires teaching staff to hold its Basic Teaching Qualification. If the successful applicant does not already possess this qualification or its equivalent, she/he must obtain it within two years.

#### Our Faculty/Institute

The Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences comprises four institutes: Education and Child Studies, Political Science, Psychology and Cultural Anthropology & Development Sociology. The Faculty also includes the Centre for Science and Technology Studies. The Faculty is home to 5,000 students and 600 members of staff. Our teaching and research programmes cover diverse topics varying from adoption to political behaviour. For more information, see  $\,\mathrm{here}^{120}$ .

The Institute of Political Science has a strong research tradition in various areas of comparative, Dutch and international politics, as well as political theory. Its research programme focuses on the design, workings and implications of political institutions, broadly defined, though individual members of staff pursue research projects within and beyond this theme. The Institute consistently receives high peer-reviewed ratings of its teaching and research programs. It has over 40 academic staff, including many non-Dutch scholars, and houses a number of editorships of international refereed journals. Members of the institute are also involved in a number of the university's multi-disciplinary research centres, including Central and East European Studies, International Relations,

<sup>120</sup> http://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/social-behavioural-sciences

Parties and Representation, and Political Philosophy. The Institute is based in Leiden but also teaches at the university's campus in The Hague (12 minutes away by train).

The Institute offers a range of taught programmes at the Bachelor and Master levels and also trains PhD students in political science. The BSc programmes include general Political Science (in Dutch & English, in Leiden), International Politics (in Dutch & English, in Leiden), and International Relations and Organisations (in English, in The Hague). The MSc programme (taught mostly in English) includes four specialisations taught in Leiden (International Politics; Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict; Parties, Parliaments and Democracy; Political Legitimacy and Justice) and two specialisations taught in The Hague (International Organisation; Dutch Politics).

#### Terms and conditions

Leiden University offers an attractive benefits package with additional holiday (8%) and end-of-year bonuses (8.3%), training and career development. Our individual choices model gives you some freedom to assemble your own set of terms and conditions. Candidates from outside the Netherlands may be eligible for a substantial tax break. More infos here  $^{121}$ .

Leiden University requires teaching staff to obtain the University Teaching Qualification (UTQ). If the successful applicant does not already possess this qualification or its equivalent, he/she must be willing to obtain this Qualification within two years.

#### Diversity

Leiden University is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from members of underrepresented groups.

#### Information

Inquiries can be directed to Dr. Niels van Willigen, chair of the selection committee, email willigen@fsw.leidenuniv.nl $^{122}$ .

#### **Applications**

Please submit online your application no later than 1 March 2018 via the blue

<sup>121</sup> https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/working-at/job-application-procedure-and-employment-conditions

<sup>122</sup> mailto:willigen@fsw.leidenuniv.nl

button of our application system  $^{123}$ . Applicants should submit online a letter of interest, a cv (with list of publications), a research statement covering current and future research agenda, a sample paper or article, and a statement of teaching interests and experience including sample syllabi or teaching evaluations. All documents, including recommendation letters, should be in English.

Applicants should also ask three people to submit **recommendation letters** commenting on their professional qualifications and suitability for the position **directly** (i.e. not via the applicant) by email with "IR applicant" in the subject line, to vacature\_powe@fsw.leidenuniv.nl<sup>124</sup>.

The selection procedure will take place in March/April/May. Selected candidates will first be invited for an online pre-interview; some will be invited for in person interview and job talk. You are kindly requested to be available in this period.

Link to the job advert can be found  $here^{125}$ .

## World Bank and other International Organisations: German JPO program

The German government is searching for candidates for its program "JPO", which is open to German economists below the age of 33 who seek to join international organizations. Many of these positions welcome a plurality of methods for economic analysis.

The deadline for applications is **16 February**.

A detailed list of jobs available can be found  $here^{126}$ .

#### Position at the World Bank Group: Climate Macroeconomics

A variety of economics positions at various international organizations are available through this program. One of them is a position at the World Bank Macroeconomics department, Global Macro and Debt Analytics Unit, for work on the systemic impact of climate change as it relates to Finance Ministries and Central Banks. Advanced knowledge of macroeconomics and fiscal policy are required, ideally closely relating to issues of sustainability. For these highly interdisciplinary questions, scholars with diverse research methods and perspectives are needed and welcome. The

 $<sup>^{123}</sup> https://career012.success factors.eu/sfcareer/jobreqcareer?jobId=4643\&company=LeidenProd\&rcm\_site\_locale=en\_US$ 

 $<sup>^{124} \</sup>mathtt{mailto:vacature\_powe@fsw.leidenuniv.nl}$ 

 $<sup>^{125} \</sup>texttt{http://www.jobs.ac.uk/job/BHF791/assistant-professor-of-international-relations/} \\$ 

<sup>126</sup>http://bit.ly/2EeOryI

position title perhaps misleadingly includes the word "Junior", but the demands on the candidate, the profile of the work and the compensation are each significant; this is an opportunity to show thought leadership and play a key role in the evidence-based development of the relatively new area of climate-macro policy advice.

More information on the position is available here  $^{127}$ .

### **Awards**

#### Winner Announcement: Annual ASE Awards

#### Warren Samuels Prize

The Warren Samuels Prize is awarded to a paper, presented at these ASSA meetings, that best exemplifies scholarly work that:

- Is of high quality,
- Is important to the project of social economics,
- Has broad appeal across disciplines.

The 2018 Prize has been awarded to **Alexander Guschanski** (University of Greenwich, UK) and Özlem Onaran (University of Greenwich, UK) for their paper, "The political economy of functional income distribution: industry level evidence from the OECD."

The selection committee would also like to make special mention of the following papers:

- 1. "Homo Economicus, AIs, humans and rats: decision-making and economic welfare" by **Diane Coyle** (Univ. of Manchester, UK);
- 2. "Agent-Based Modeling's Open Methodology Approach: Simulation, Reflexivity, and Abduction" by **John Davis** (Marquette Univ. and Univ. of Amsterdam);
- 3. "Household Wealth: Inherited or Merited?" by **Robert B. Williams** (Guilford College, USA)

#### Thomas Divine Award

The Thomas Divine Award is presented annually to an Association member who over a lifetime has made important contributions to social economics and the social econ-

<sup>127</sup>http://bit.ly/Klima-Makro

omy. This year's award goes to **Professor Philip Arestis**, Professor and University Director of Research at the University of Cambridge, UK; and Research Associate, Levy Economics Institute, New York, USA. Philip has made outstanding contributions to social economics and the social economy. Not least, he served as Chief Academic Adviser to the UK Government Economic Service (GES) on Professional Developments in Economics over the 2005–13 period. We note that in 2010 he was awarded the prestigious British Hispanic Foundation 'Queen Victoria Eugenia' award for his contribution to the social economy. Philip has published widely in academic journals and edited books, in addition to being one of the most prolific book editors and monograph writers. He is, and has been, on the editorial board of a number of economics journals, including our RoSE and Forum.

#### Ludwig May Service Award

The Ludwig Mai Service Award has been presented periodically to a person who has rendered exceptional service to the ASE. This year's recipient of the Ludwig Mai Service Award is **Professor Steve Pressman**. Steve is a former Professor of Economics and Finance at Monmouth University in West Long Branch, NJ. Steve has rendered exceptional services to our Association in different roles, too many to list here. He has served on our Board of Trustee in 2000-2002, and then in 2013-2017. He was a Member of Best Papers Committee for the Past 50 Years for the Review of Social Economy in 2003-4. He has more recently chaired the selection committee of the ASE Treasurer, and the ASE Executive Director (twice). He was elected Vice President of our Association in December, and for the past few months he has been organising the 16th ASE World Congress with the title "Putting the Social Back into Economics" as well as the associated two-day summer school in social economics. The summer school and the World Congress will be held at the Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado, on June 9-10 and June 11-13, 2018, respectively.

#### William R. Waters Research Grant

The William R. Waters Research Grant provides support for emerging scholars—those conducting PhD dissertation research, postdoctoral research, and those scholars below the rank of Associate Professor. This year we are pleased to announce two awards.

Ana Victoria Portocarrero Lacayo, one of the winners of the 2018 William R. Waters Research Grant, is a graduate student at the International Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, The Netherlands. Her project is entitled "An Emancipatory Feminist Economics View of Food, Trade, and Climate Change: The Case of Nicaragua." In it, she will explore the links between food insecurity, trade policies and climate change in Nicaragua, from an emancipatory feminist economic perspective. She will be conducting policy analysis of key national and international policies, qualitative interviews with key informants, and an ethnography in two peasant women organizations. An inspiration for this project, she writes, "is the work of social, political and feminist

economists that...describe[e]the economy as something transformable, and pointing out the relevance of paying special attention to ethics, values and beliefs when analyzing and constructing it."

Chimedlkham Zorigtbaatar, also a winner of the 2018 William R. Waters Research Grant, is a graduate student at the University of Utah, USA. Her project is entitled "Gender Division of Labor in the Making: Unpaid Household Work of Children in Mongolia." Using the grant, she plans to survey gender differences in time use and unpaid household work of children aged 5 to 11 in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, to contribute to the existing data and literature on gender differences in time use and unpaid household work. "The proposed research is of importance to both feminist economics and social economics," she writes, because "[u]nlike the conventional economic thinking, social economics considers human and social relations as relevant to economic relationships in which the economy is embedded in society and that economic relationships are framed by broader social relationships."

#### Helen Potter Award

The Helen Potter Award is presented each year to a promising scholar of social economics for authoring the best article in *The Review of Social Economy*. The 2017 recipients are **Michael J. Roy** of Glasgow Caledonian University & **Michelle T. Hackett** of University of Western Australia for their article "Polanyi's 'substantive approach' to the economy in action? Conceptualising social enterprise as a public health 'intervention'" published in Volume 75, 2017 - Issue 2.

#### Patrick J. Welch Award

The Patrick J. Welch Award for the best paper published in the Forum for Social Economics was established by the Executive Council in 2012 and named for Patrick J. Welch, editor of the journal from May, 1995 to January, 2006. The 2017 recipients are Mario Seccareccia of University of Ottawa and Eugenia Correa of Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México for their article "Supra-National Money and the Euro Crisis: Lessons from Karl Polanyi" published in Volume 46, 2017 - Issue 3.

## **Journals**

## American Journal of Economics and Sociology, 77 (1)

Christopher England: John Dewey and Henry George: The Socialization of Land as a Prerequisite for a Democratic Public<sup>128</sup>

<sup>128</sup>http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/ajes.12217/abstract?campaign=woletoc

Filip Stabrowski: Social Relations of Landed Property: Gentrification of a Polish Enclave in Brooklyn  $^{129}$ 

Christopher England: Land Value Taxation in Vancouver: Rent-Seeking and the Tax Revolt  $^{130}$ 

Gustavo F. Velasco: Real Estate, Public Works, and Political Organization in Winnipeg, 1870–1885<sup>131</sup>

Matthew Hoffman: Private Property in the Context of Community<sup>132</sup>

Margaret Haderer: "Economic Policies Are the Best Social Policies": West German Neoliberalism and the Housing Question After  $1945^{133}$ 

Christopher England: Editor's Introduction: Land, Power, and Democracy<sup>134</sup>

### Historical Materialism, 25 (3)

Geert Reuten: The Productive Powers of Labour and the Redundant Transformation to Prices of Production<sup>135</sup>

Alexander Anievas and Kerem Nişancı<br/>oğlu: Limits of the Universal: The Promises and Pitfalls of Postcolonial Theory and Its Critique<br/> $^{136}$ 

Beverley Best: Political Economy through the Looking Glass<sup>137</sup>

Guido Starosta: The Role and Place of 'Commodity Fetishism' in Marx's Systematic-dialectical Exposition in  $Capital^{138}$ 

Ben Lewis: Marxism after Marx: Karl Kautsky's Disputed Legacy<sup>139</sup>

Karl Kautsky: The Development of a Marxist 140

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Luca Peretti: Gramsci, No Longer a Communist?<sup>141</sup>

Henry Heller: The Rise of Capitalist Manufacture in the Ancien Régime 142

Daniel Spaulding: John Heartfield's Communism<sup>143</sup>

## Industrial and Corporate Change, 27 (1)

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<sup>223</sup>https://www.elgaronline.com/abstract/journals/roke/6-1/roke.2018.01.05.xml

<sup>224</sup>https://www.elgaronline.com/abstract/journals/roke/6-1/roke.2018.01.06.xml

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### **Books and Book Series**

### Capital and Time: For a New Critique of Neoliberal Reason

By Martijn Konings — 2018, Stanford University Press

Critics of capitalist finance tend to focus on its speculative character. Our financial markets, they lament, encourage irresponsible bets on the future that reflect no real underlying value. Why is it, then, that opportunities for speculative investment continue to proliferate in the wake of major economic crises? To make sense of this, Capital

<sup>2226</sup>https://worldeconomicsassociation.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=fc8acbfd9af76573d1ecc3b8a&id=5799935758&e=de278ce9bd

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and Time advances an understanding of economy as a process whereby patterns of order emerge out of the interaction of speculative investments. Progressive critics have assumed that the state occupies a neutral, external position from which it can step in to constrain speculative behaviors. On the contrary, Martijn Konings argues, the state has always been deeply implicated in the speculative dynamics of economic life. Through these insights, he offers a new interpretation of both the economic problems that emerged during the 1970s and the way that neoliberalism responded to them. Neoliberalism's strength derives from its intuition that there is no position that transcends the secular logic of risk, and from its insistence that individuals actively engage that logic. Not only is the critique of speculation misleading as a general approach; it is also incapable of recognizing how American capitalism has come to embrace speculation and has thus been able to generate new kinds of order and governance.

Link to the book can be found  $here^{233}$ .

## Case Method and Pluralist Economics: Philosophy, Methodology, and Practice

By Kavous Ardalan — 2018, Springer

This book discusses the relationship between pluralist economics and the case study method of teaching, advocating the complimentary use of both to advance economics education. Using a multi-paradigmatic philosophical frame of analysis, the book discusses the philosophical, methodological, and practical aspects of the case study method while drawing comparisons with those of the more commonly used lecture method. The book also discusses pluralist economics through the exposition of the philosophical foundations of the extant economics schools of thought, which is the focal point of the attention and admiration of pluralist economics. More specifically, the book discusses the major extant schools of thought in economics – Neo-Classical Economics, New Institutional Economics, Behavioral Economics, Austrian Economics, Post-Keynesian Economics, Institutional Economics, Radical Economics, and Marxist Economics—and emphasizes that these schools of thought in economics are equally scientific and informative, that they look at economic phenomena from their certain paradigmatic viewpoint, and that, together, they provide a more balanced understanding of the economic phenomenon under consideration. Emphasizing paradigmatic diversity as the cornerstone of both the case method and pluralist economics, the book draws the two together and makes an effective case for their combined use. A rigorous, multi-faceted analysis of the philosophy, methodology, and practice of economics education, this book is important for academicians and students interested in heterodox economics, philosophy, and education.

<sup>233</sup>http://www.sup.org/books/title/?id=29233

## Europe's Fault Lines - Racism and the Rise of the Right

By Liz Fekete — 2017, Verso Books

It is clear that the right is on the rise, but after Brexit, the election of Donald Trump and the spike in popularity of extreme-right parties across Europe, the question on everyone's minds is: how did this happen?

An expansive investigation of the ways in which a newly configured right interconnects with anti-democratic and illiberal forces at the level of the state, *Europe's Fault Lines* provides much-needed answers, revealing some uncomfortable truths.

What appear to be "blind spots" about far-right extremism on the part of the state are shown to constitute collusion—as police, intelligence agencies and the military embark on practices of covert policing that bring them into direct or indirect contact with the far right, in ways that bring to mind the darkest days of Europe's authoritarian past.

Old racisms may be structured deep in European thought, but they have been revitalised and spun in new ways: the war on terror, the cultural revolution from the right, and the migration-linked demonisation of the destitute "scrounger." Drawing on more than three decades of work for the Institute of Race Relations, Liz Fekete exposes the fundamental fault lines of racism an tarianism in contemporary Europe.

Link to the book can be found here  $^{235}$ .

# Other People's Money: How Banking Worked in the Early American Republic

By Sharon Ann Murphy — 2017, John Hopkins University Press

Pieces of paper that claimed to be good for two dollars upon redemption at a distant bank. Foreign coins that fluctuated in value from town to town. Stock certificates issued by turnpike or canal companies—worth something... or perhaps nothing. IOUs from farmers or tradesmen, passed around by people who could not know the person who first issued them. Money and banking in antebellum America offered a glaring example of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>234</sup>http://www.springer.com/us/book/9783319720708

<sup>235</sup>https://www.versobooks.com/books/2555-europe-s-fault-lines

free-market capitalism run amok—unregulated, exuberant, and heading pell-mell toward the next "panic" of burst bubbles and hard times.

In Other People's Money, Sharon Ann Murphy explains how banking and money worked before the federal government, spurred by the chaos of the Civil War, created the national system of US paper currency. Murphy traces the evolution of banking in America from the founding of the nation, when politicians debated the constitutionality of chartering a national bank, to Andrew Jackson's role in the Bank War of the early 1830s, to the problems of financing a large-scale war. She reveals how, ultimately, the monetary and banking structures that emerged from the Civil War also provided the basis for our modern financial system, from its formation under the Federal Reserve in 1913 to the present.

Touching on the significant role that numerous historical figures played in shaping American banking—including Alexander Hamilton, James Madison, Benjamin Franklin, Henry Clay, Daniel Webster, and Louis Brandeis—Other People's Money is an engaging guide to the heated political fights that surrounded banking in early America as well as to the economic causes and consequences of the financial system that emerged from the turmoil. By helping readers understand the financial history of this period and the way banking shaped the society in which ordinary Americans lived and worked, this book broadens and deepens our knowledge of the Early American Republic.

Link to the book can be found here  $^{236}$ .

## Reconsidering Value and Labour in the Digital Age

Edited by Christan Fuchs and Eran Fisher — 2015, Palgrave Macmillan

This volume explores current interventions into the digital labour theory of value, proposing theoretical and empirical work that contributes to our understanding of Marx's labour theory of value, proposes how labour and value are transformed under conditions of virtuality, and employ the theory in order to shed light on specific practices.

Link to the book can be found here  $^{237}$ .

# Shortfall: Family Secrets, Financial Collapse, and a Hidden History of American Banking

By Alice Echols — 2017, The New Press

 $<sup>^{236} \</sup>verb|https://jhupbooks.press.jhu.edu/content/other-peoples-money|$ 

Shortfall opens with a surprise discovery in an attic—boxes filled with letters and documents hidden for more than seventy years—and launches into a fast-paced story that uncovers the dark secrets in Echols's family—an upside-down version of the building and loan story at the center of Frank Capra's 1946 movie, It's a Wonderful Life. In a narrative filled with colorful characters and profound insights into the American past, Shortfall is also the essential backstory to more recent financial crises, from the savings and loan debacle of the 1980s and 1990s to the subprime collapse of 2008.

Shortfall chronicles the collapse of the building and loan industry during the Great Depression—a story told in microcosm through the firestorm that erupted in one hard-hit American city during the early 1930s. Over a six-month period in 1932, all four of the building and loan associations in Colorado Springs, Colorado, crashed in an awful domino-like fashion, leaving some of the town's citizens destitute. The largest of these associations was owned by author Alice Echols's grandfather, Walter Davis, who absconded with millions of dollars in a case that riveted the national media. This book tells the dramatic story of his rise and shocking fall.

Link to the book can be found  $here^{238}$ .

## Socialism in the 21st Century

By Richard Westra — 2018, Nova Science Publishers

This easy to read book explores the fundamental ideas of socialism as a prelude to its critical reappraisal of their implementation in the Soviet revolutionary experiment. The book then turns to the seismic economic changes of the neoliberal era which it claims now preclude both national social democratic and Soviet-style paths to socialism. Rather, it is argued, if socialism is to become a force for change in the 21st century, wholly new economic and environmental considerations compel it to adopt a fresh orientation around current designs of democratic ecosocialism. Yet, the herculean challenges this poses tend not to be fully apprehended even among socialist proponents.

Link to the book can be found here  $^{239}$ .

# The Black Social Economy in the Americas – Exploring Diverse Community-Based Markets

Edited by Caroline Hossein — 2018, Palgrave Macmillan

<sup>238</sup>https://thenewpress.com/books/shortfall

 $<sup>^{239} \</sup>verb|https://www.novapublishers.com/catalog/product_info.php?products_id=63856$ 

This pioneering book explores the meaning of the term "Black social economy," a self-help sector that remains autonomous from the state and business sectors. With the Western Hemisphere's ignoble history of enslavement and violence towards African peoples, and the strong anti-black racism that still pervades society, the African diaspora in the Americas has turned to alternative practices of socio-economic organization. Conscientious and collective organizing is thus a means of creating meaningful livelihoods. In this volume, fourteen scholars explore the concept of the "Black social economy," bringing together innovative research on the lived experience of Afro-descendants in business and society in Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, and the United States. The case studies in this book feature horrific legacies of enslavement, colonization, and racism, and they recount the myriad ways that persons of African heritage have built humane alternatives to the dominant market economy that excludes them. Together, they shed necessary light on the ways in which the Black race has been overlooked in the social economy literature.

Link to the book can be found  $here^{240}$ .

## The New Spirit of Capitalism

By Luc Boltanski and Eve Chiapello — 2017, Verso Books

In this major work, sociologists Luc Boltanski and Eve Chiapello go to the heart of the changes in contemporary capitalism. Via an unprecedented analysis of the latest management texts that have formed the thinking of employers in their reorganization of business, the authors trace the contours of a new spirit of capitalism. They argue that from the middle of the 1970s onwards, capitalism abandoned the hierarchical Fordist work structure and developed a new network-based form of organization that was founded on employee initiative and autonomy in the workplace—a "freedom" that came at the cost of material and psychological security. The authors connect this new spirit with the children of the libertarian and romantic currents of the late 1960s (as epitomised by dressed-down, cool capitalists such as Bill Gates and "Ben and Jerry") arguing that they practice a more successful and subtle-form of exploitation. Now a classic work charting the sociological structure of neoliberalism, Boltanski and Chiapello show how the new spirit triumphed thanks to a remarkable recuperation of the left's critique of the alienation of everyday life that simultaneously undermined their "social critique." In this new edition, the two author reflect on the reception of the book and the debates it has stimulated.

Link to the book can be found here $^{241}$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>240</sup>http://www.palgrave.com/us/book/9781137602787

<sup>241</sup> https://www.versobooks.com/books/2513-the-new-spirit-of-capitalism

# The Tragedy of Human Development: A Genealogy of Capital as Power

By Tim Di Muzio — 2017, Rowman & Littlefield International

How might an objective observer conceive of what humans have accomplished as a species over its brief history? Benjamin argues that history can be judged as one giant catastrophe. Liberals suggest that this is to sombre an as-sessment and that human history can be read as a story of greater and greater progress in human rights, prosperity and the decrease of arbitrary and extra-judicial violence. But is there a third reading of history, one that neither interprets human history as a giant catastrophe or endless progress? Could we not say that human development has been a tragedy? This book explores the idea of human development as a tragedy from the perspective of capitalist power. Although the argument of this book draws heavily on critical political economy, the analysis considers inter-disciplinary literature in an effort to explore how major revolutions have transformed human social relations of power and created certain path dependencies that may ultimately lead to our downfall as a species. Intellectually sophisticated and readable, this book offers a provocative genealogy of capitalist power and the tragedy of human development.

Link to the book can be found  $here^{242}$ .

# Ukraine and the Empire of Capital – From Marketisation to Armed Conflict

By Yuliya Yurchenko — 2017, Pluto Books

Since 1991, nominally independent Ukraine has been in turmoil, with the Orange Revolution and the Maidan protests marking its most critical moments. Now, its borders are threatened and the civil unrest and armed conflict continue to destabilise the country. In order to understand these dramatic events, Yuliya Yurchenko looks to the country's post-Soviet past in this ambitious analysis of contemporary Ukrainian political economy.

Providing distinctive and unexplored reflections on the origins of the conflict, Yurchenko unpacks the four central myths that underlie Ukraine's post-Soviet reality: the myth of transition, the myth of democracy, the myth of two Ukraines, and the myth of 'the other'. In doing so, she sheds light on the current intensification of class rivalries in Ukraine, the kleptocracy, resource wars and analyses existing and potential dangers of the rightwing shift in Ukraine's polity, stressing a historic opportunity for change.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>242</sup>http://bnarchives.yorku.ca/530/

Critiquing the concept of Ukraine as 'transition space', she provides a sweeping analysis which includes the wider neoliberal restructuring of global political economy since the 1970s, with particular focus on Ukraine's relations with the US, the EU and Russia. This is a book for those wanting to understand the current conflict as a dangerous product of neoliberalism, of the empire of capital.

Link to the book can be found here  $^{243}$ .

# Heterodox Graduate Programs, Scholarships and Grants

### 15 Marie Sklodowska-Curie PhD positions

On behalf of the WEGO-ITN, The International Institute of Social Studies (ISS) of Erasmus University Rotterdam is pleased to announce the recruitment of 15 Marie Sklodowska-Curie (MSCA) PhD positions (Early Stage Researchers).

The "Well-being, Ecology, Gender and cOmmunity-Innovative Training Network" (WEGO-ITN) consortium is made up of scholar-activists working on feminist political ecology from ten institutions in five European Union countries: Germany, Italy, Sweden, The Netherlands and the United Kingdom and eight institutions from six countries for training and secondments: Australia, India, Indonesia, Italy, Uruguay and USA.

The deadline for applications is 12 noon, 1 March 2018.

Introducing WEGO-ITN: Well-being, Ecology, Gender and cOmmunity – Innovative Training Network

#### 1 January 2018 to 31 January 2022

As the first international feminist political ecology research network of its kind, WEGO-ITN aspires to tackle socio-ecological challenges linked to policy agendas. This innovative and path-breaking project will help local communities to build resilient, equitable and sustainable futures. The goal of WEGO-ITN is to provide research that will demonstrate to policy makers how communities actively sustain and care for their environment and community well-being. Ultimately, WEGO will collectively provide important guides to strategies of resilience and sustainability that are required for meeting the SDGs.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>243</sup>https://www.plutobooks.com/9780745337371/ukraine-and-the-empire-of-capital/

Netherlands and the United Kingdom and eight institutions from six countries for training and secondments: Australia, India, Indonesia, Italy, Uruguay and USA.

#### PhDs and training

With funding by the European Union Horizon 2020 Marie Sklodowska-Curie, WEGO-ITN will host 15 PhD researchers, creating the first European network on Feminist Political Ecology (FPE).

The PhDs will be hosted at: The International Institute of Social Studies of Erasmus University Rotterdam (ISS) (Coordinating Institute); Freie Universität Berlin (FUB); Humboldt University Berlin (HUB); Institute of Development Studies at Sussex University (IDS); Pangea Foundation (PF); Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU); University of Brighton (UofB); University of Passau (UPAS); IHE Institute for Water Education, Delft (IHE) and Wageningen University & Research (WUR).

#### Training agenda

From 2018-2022 WEGO-ITN will develop a shared research and training agenda in order to educate the next generation of interdisciplinary social-environmental scientists on feminist political ecology in Europe. The network will look in detail at local communities' coping strategies to build resilient, equitable and sustainable futures and how they link to global sustainable development policies. The research will focus on diverse economic and ecological practices that create new forms of gender relations, livelihoods and care activities, in response to growing lack of resilience of the economy and ecosystem.

#### Research themes

The individual doctoral study projects will explore three interconnecting research themes:

- 1. Climate Change, Economic Development and Extractivism;
- 2. Commoning, Community Economies and the Politics of Care;
- 3. Nature/Culture/ Embodiment and Technologies.

In addition, training laboratories will be held annually engaging with partners in the network from University of Auckland (UoA), University of Vermont (UVM), University of Western Sydney (UWS), Defensoria del Vecino de Montevideo (DVM), Island Institute (II), Society for Promoting Participative Ecosystem Management (SOPPECOM), Associazione Culturale "Punti di Vista" (PDV) and Centre for International Forestry Research (CIFOR).

#### WEGO research process

The activities for the next four years will be based on a dynamic process with time for

reflections and learning with space for several feedback loops over the three years— as the participants move from research and design to reflections and trainings towards the ultimate goal of having policy impact.

Local courses and specialized intensive network courses will be offered at different beneficiary and also partner institution. In addition to the training offered at the individual host institutions, there will be a joint training programme for all PhDs with the following four components: an E-learning Environment, Annual Training Labs, WEGO National Outreach Roundtables and Final WEGO Conference.

#### WEGO-ITN research themes

# Research Theme One: Climate Change, Economic Development and Extractivism

How communities respond to economic and ecological changes in everyday social struggles and organizing for well-being in efforts to move out of situations of inequality, exclusion and poverty.

Theme one will research the community response to climate change, neoliberal capitalism and extractive development processes. The focus will be on how communities respond to economic and ecological changes in everyday social struggles and organizing for well-being in efforts to move out of situations of inequality, exclusion and poverty. The individual projects will explore gender power relations in organizing for the security and protection of local natural resources in Nepal, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Tanzania and the UK. The studies are based in Global South contexts as well as Europe in order to look for modalities of power that cross different geographical contexts, and that produce similarities and differences in community responses to the impacts of climate change, economic development and resource extractivism, and the forms of knowledge, power and authority that sustain extractive development processes.

The shared framework will look at:

- 1. modes of governing natural resources by national and international governments and private companies;
- 2. forms of community mobilization to defend water and food security, energy, livelihoods and demand fair labour conditions; and
- 3. alliances being formed by communities within and across different locations with attention to gendered cultural, social and economic resource-reallocation.

#### PhD Topics

1. Climate change adaptation programmes and political violence in Nepal

- 2. Virtual water flows: re-articulating gendered structures of accumulation along emerging agro-food commodity chains in Maharashtra, India
- 3. The feminist political ecology of mining on gender and ethnic identities in Kalimantan, Indonesia
- 4. The politics of uncertainty and adaptation to climate change in Kenya and Tanzania
- 5. Drilling through the Anthropocene: fracking, land and expertise in contemporary Britain

# Research Theme Two: Commoning, Community Economies and the Politics of Care

How gender relations are being shaped in emerging practices of commoning, community economies and work of care for families and communities in successful strategies of 'living well together'.

This theme will focus on in-depth case studies in six countries of commoning experiments. Special attention will be placed on the relationships between gender relations and resource extraction and governance to understand how commoning can add to transformation of sustainability outcomes. The individual projects will have a strong focus on the Global North (Germany, Spain, Italy, Belgium, Scotland and Japan) as well as the Global South (India and Indonesia). The PhDs will benefit from the on-going relations with communities where WEGO beneficiaries and partners are actively engaged. The projects will examine how changing gender relations in rural communities have come under pressure from changing resource depletion as well as policy changes that have transformed the political economy of small-scale communities.

The shared framework will look at how communities are being transformed into more resilient and sustainable ones by exploring:

- 1. 'commoning' efforts to promote the recovery of their food security and their communities;
- 2. care practices in interconnected spaces, the enterprise, its members' households and embedded communities and environments;
- 3. subjectivities (masculinities and femininities) to create and enable a more inclusive community and commitment to place;
- 4. market rationalities in the shift to alternative ideas of sustainable livelihoods;
- 5. entrepreneurial practices and resource management by community groups linking rural producers and urban consumers; and

6. political and ecological consequences of new value chains and how they intersect with notions of class, gender, religion (caste) and age.

#### PhD Topics

- 1. Community, commoning and care in the ruins of post-oil palm landscapes in Indonesia
- 2. Eating relations: community economies, belonging and place-based food in the megacity Chennai, India
- 3. The politics of care and defining the good life: elderly women's community food economies in rural Japan
- 4. Transformation of small-scale fishing communities
- 5. The politics of food in urban southern Europe
- 6. Women organizations in gendered economic landscapes in rural Italy

#### Research Theme Three: Nature/Culture/ Embodiment and Technologies

How environmental justice takes into account the ways embodied, gendered and everyday lived experiences are mediated by technological interventions marked by economic and social inequalities that require a rethinking of issues around reproduction, production and population growth.

The projects in this research area will explore how people and communities are facing dramatic ecological and economic change in an analysis of today's disquieting troubles about: the impact of environmental degradation fueled by consumerism on both human and non-human lives; the difficulty to include queer movement's analysis of environmental change in policy debates; the gendered governance of water; the ethical concerns around the escalating interdependence of bodies and technologies; and how advocates of reproductive freedom can address the problem of growing populations and scarce resources. What is new and exciting is the focus on the body as the first place where people experience the environment as well as the political struggle of people to claim control over their own biological, social and cultural embodied experiences. The research will move beyond the conventional environmental focus on nature that separates humans from their environments. Instead, it will look at how bodies, technologies and economies need to be understood as integral to understanding our material environment and ecological practice and theory.

The shared framework will look at:

- 1. the concept of naturecultures and how to look at the interrelationship of human and non-human in changing ecologies and economies;
- 2. the emerging narratives that can unmake and make new worlds in the "turn" to new eco-criticism and new eco-politics; and
- 3. the interdependence of technologies, ecologies and bodies and the implication for sustainable development policy frameworks.

#### PhD Topics

- 1. Social (re)production and the good life in a post-growth society: a feminist and queer perspective
- 2. Liquid encounters fluid conversations around water, environment, and gendered naturecultures
- 3. Bodies, technologies and well-being
- 4. Population growth and environmental justice: rethinking reproductive freedom

For more information, visit this website<sup>244</sup> and this website<sup>245</sup>.

### 3 PhD positions at Corvinus University of Budapest

The Institute of World Economy at Corvinus University of Budapest is looking for 3 paid, full-time Early Stage Researchers for the FATIGUE Project - Responding to the Rise of Illiberalism/Populism in Central and Eastern Europe

Successful candidates will be enrolled in the PhD programme at Corvinus University of Budapest, International Relations Multidisciplinary Doctoral School, and will write their thesis on a topic related to

- The impact of economic populism on growth and convergence or
- The impact of economic populism on inequality or
- The depoliticisation of civil society in Central and Eastern Europe

#### Eligibility:

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<sup>244</sup>https://www.iss.nl/en/news/15-marie-sklodowska-curie-phd-positions

 $<sup>^{245} \</sup>rm https://www.iss.nl/en/research-15/research-programmes/projects/civil-society-and-market/research-projects/well-being$ 

- Applicant had to obtain his/her master's degree less than 4 years ago.
- Applicant resided in Hungary less than 12 months in the past 3 years.

Application deadline: 28th February 2018

A detailed job description and application guide can be found here<sup>246</sup>.

### **GLU** Masters Programmes in India, U.S. and Germany

The Global Labour University (GLU) invites trade unionists and labour activists to apply for its new intake to Masters' Programmes. Trade unionists with a trade union recommendation letter can apply for scholarships:

Master of Arts (MA) in Development and Labour Studies at Jawaharlal Nehru University, India.  $^{247}$ 

**Application deadline: 1 February 2018** (only applicable for non-Indian, foreign students).

Masters in Professional Studies (MPS) in Labor and Global Workers' Rights at Penn State University, USA. <sup>248</sup>

Application deadline: 1 March 2018

Master of Arts (MA) in Labour Policies and Globalisation at the Berlin School of Economics and Law/University of Kassel in Germany<sup>249</sup>

Application deadline: 1 March 2018

More information can be found here  $^{250}$ .

# Graduate Program in Economics at Colorado State University

The global crisis of 2008 and its aftermath calls for a broader training in economics that emphasizes the role of institutions, economic policy, and the history of economic ideas. We take pride in having built a program that combines a rigorous formal and empirical training with an unusual emphasis on alternative approaches to Economics.

<sup>246</sup> http://www.worldeconomy.hu/our\_projects/fatigue/

<sup>247</sup>http://www.global-labour-university.org/382.html

 $<sup>^{248} {\</sup>tt https://cloud2-vm116.de-nserver.de/webmail-rc/\#NOP}$ 

<sup>249</sup>http://www.global-labour-university.org/4.html

<sup>250</sup> http://www.global-labour-university.org/426.html

Our department ranks among the top 5 programs in Political Economy and among the top 25 in Regional Economic Analysis, according to recently published rankings. Moreover, our faculty and students are pursuing cutting-edge research in fields like Development Economics, Environmental Economics, International Economics, and Public Economics. The quality of our training and research is reflected in our graduates' excellent placement record in both academic and non-academic jobs.

We are home to Feminist Economics and Review of Political Economy as these journals' editors, Dr. Elissa Braunstein and Dr. Steve Pressman, are members of the Faculty in our department.

Our graduate students are of increasingly diverse backgrounds, nationalities, gender, sexual orientation, race/ethnicity, and first generation student status. We strive to build a community where different perspectives contribute to a healthy, open intellectual exchange.

CSU is located in Fort Collins, at the foothills of the Rocky Mountains in Northern Colorado. The area offers a spectacular array of outdoor opportunities as well as a variety of cultural events throughout the year.

More details of our graduate program can be found  $\,\mathrm{here}^{251}$  .

More information about our Department is available at the university website  $^{252}$ .

The deadline for full funding consideration in **February 15**.

# Master program in International and Development Economics at HTW Berlin

The Master's in International and Development Economics (MIDE) is an 18 month full-time programme at the University of Applied Sciences (HTW) Berlin. It has been running since 2003, and starts at the beginning of April each year. MIDE is designed for students from developing countries, from Europe and other developed countries who have a special interest in the economic challenges facing developing and transition countries. The programme consists of two semesters of courses with lectures/seminars of around 20 hours per week, and a third semester in which students are principally involved in writing a thesis. Teaching is entirely in English.

MIDE provides students with a critical understanding of current theoretical and policy debates in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>251</sup>https://economics.colostate.edu/graduate/

- development economics,
- international economics and
- macroeconomics.

It also offers a wide range of optional courses on policy and management issues in key economic sectors, including agriculture, financial institutions and public enterprises. Students are expected to have acquired a basic academic knowledge of economics in their undergraduate studies.

For information on the applicatino process refer to the MIDE website<sup>253</sup>.

### **Heterodox Economics in the Media**

# Second episode of the HES-Podcast "Smith and Marx Walk into a Bar"

The second episode of our HES-sponsored podcast series *Smith and Marx Walk into A Bar* is now available. Maria Cristina Marcuzzo, Professor of Political Economy at the University of Rome La Sapienza, joins co-hosts Scott Scheall, Carlos Eduardo Suprinyak, and Gerardo Serra for a wide-ranging discussion of her work on Keynes and Cambridge economics, the relationship between Keynes and his great rival, Friedrich Hayek, the contemporary relevance of Marxian economics, as well as the present state and future of the field of history of economic thought.

Smith and Marx Walk into a Bar: A History of Economics Podcast is available here<sup>254</sup>. The latest episode will be available for download on iTunes, TuneIn, Stitcher, iHeart Radio, and other podcast outlets in the next few days.

Enjoy the episode!

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<sup>254</sup>http://hetpodcast.libsyn.com

### Call for Donations: Historical-Critical Dictionary of Marxism

The funding appeal from the Historical-Critical Dictionary of Marxism (HKWM) appears below.

For those unfamiliar with the project, the Historisch-Kritische Wörterbuch des Marxismus  $(HKWM)^{255}$ , published by the Institute for Critical Theory (InkriT) in Berlin, is a singular and unique reference work which seeks to compile a comprehensive dictionary on world phenomena illuminated from a Marxist perspective. Although originally compiled in German, selections from the HKWM have also been translated into English and other languages, while plans are currently underway to translate the entire dictionary into Chinese. It is an intellectual resource unlike any other and certainly worth supporting.

The HKWM is largely run by volunteers and relies on the generous donations of sympathetic individuals and institutions to carry on its work. They are currently asking for donations of 100 to cover a page of the dictionary, or 50 for those with low incomes. Anyone who donates by the end of January will also have their name or that of their preferred institution featured in the latest volume.

Questions can be directed either to Ruth May: ruthmay@inkrit.org $^{256}$  or Loren Balhorn: lbalhorn@gmail.com $^{257}$ 

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Dear friends of the Historical-Critical Dictionary of Marxism (HKWM),

As capitalism increasingly demonstrates its failings in plain view to everyone, a new generation is coming into awareness, hungry for theoretical nourishment in the rich tradition of Marxism. The HKWM offers solidly grounded yet continuously updated orientation that current as well as future scholars and activists will be able to draw on. The collective character of the HKWM is expressed both in its authorship and in its financing.

As vol. 9/I (Machinerie to Mitbestimmung) will soon be going to the printer, we invite you to join those who finance one or more pages through their donations. You can sponsor a page by contributing  $100 \in 0$  or  $50 \in 0$  (for low incomes), respectively. The deviation from the biennial publication schedule has unfortunately exacerbated the project's difficult financial situation because scarce resources are now distributed over a longer production period. The high level of commitment by contributors, whose work is unpaid, along with the financial support of the Rosa Luxemburg Foundation cannot secure

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the continued existence of the dictionary by themselves. The names of the donors will appear in the table of sponsors, following the foreword, unless you indicate that you don't want to be mentioned.

Please let us know if you need a receipt and give an address for this purpose.. Of course, we warmly encourage you to circulate this request and spread the word about the HKWM, which is entering into the second half of its overall project with the publication of this volume.

Your help is greatly appreciated. The bank transfer information is below. Alternatively, HKWM treasurer Margret Langenberger can debit the amount via your credit card.

For further information please contact Margret Langenberger ( margretlangenberger@inkrit.org<sup>258</sup> )

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# Call for Membership: International Conference of Labour and Social History (ITH)

#### What is the ITH?

The International Conference of Labour and Social History is an international network of historians concerned with the history of labour relations, labourers and labour and other social movements. Currently about 100 member institutions from ve continents are associated with the ITH. The ITH is one of the worldwide most important institutions of labour history.

The ITH serves as an institutional platform facilitating collaboration between labour historians around the world. With membership to the ITH, researchers and activists can send a strong signal for the importance and the global institutionalisation of the research eld.

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Individual members are invited to: participate in the ITH Confer- ences on a reduced fee; purchase the ITH Conference Volumes at a discounted price; attend the ITH General Assembly; actively contribute to and initiate ITH activities; contribute to the semi-annual electronic ITH Newsletter; etc.

Institutional members are invited to: participate in the ITH Conferences on a reduced fee; co-decide on topics and programmes of ITH Conferences and other ITH activities; attend and vote in the ITH General Assembly; contribute to the semi-annual electronic ITH Newsletter; etc. They also receive a free copy of the ITH Conference Volume.

#### Membership categories:

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- Individuals standard, annual or 3 years in advance
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- Individuals with reduced nancial possibilities, annual, fee upon self-assessment

### Online application form<sup>260</sup>

Detailed information available here<sup>261</sup>.

E-Mail: ith@doew.at<sup>262</sup>

Website: www.ith.or.at<sup>263</sup>

# Call for Signatures: Lukacs Archive Petition

THE LUKÁCS ARCHVÍUM IN BUDAPEST IS IN THE PROCESS OF BEING LIQ-UIDATED. THIS CENTRE IS THE HUB OF CRITICAL MARXIST THOUGHT AND ACTIVISM IN HUNGARY.

PLEASE SIGN (EMAIL) AND SHARE THIS PETITION WIDELY AMONGST YOUR NETWORKS

Dear colleague,

 $<sup>\</sup>begin{array}{l} \hline 260 \\ \text{http://www.ith.or.at/joinith} \\ \hline 261 \\ \text{http://www.ith.or.at/mitgl_e/mitglieder_e.htm} \\ \hline 262 \\ \text{http://ith@doew.at} \\ \hline 263 \\ \text{http://www.ith.or.at} \\ \end{array}$ 

As it is of public knowledge, on the instruction of the director general of the Library and Information Centre of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (MTA LIC), the removal and transfer of the manuscripts held at the Lukács Archive began on 15 January 2018. The manuscripts will be taken over by the Department of Manuscripts & Rare Books of the LIC, and the process will last a couple of weeks. The manuscripts will thus no longer be researchable at the Lukács Archive. Further information to be found in German language here<sup>264</sup>.

In the light of the imminent dismantling of the Lukács Archive, we shall send the protest letter below to both the President of the Academy and the Director General of its Library, asking them to cease and desist such plan. If you agree with the contents of the letter, and are willing to give your signature (academic title, name, country and academic institution), please answer this mail as soon as possible; in a couple of days it will be sent to the Academy.

In the case you know of someone who identifies with the contents of the letter and has not received this e-mail, please do not hesitate in forward it, asking him/her to send the signature information to this address (fgchicote@gmail.com<sup>265</sup>). Best regards, Dr. Francisco García Chicote Universidad de Buenos Aires Argentina

To the President of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (MTA) elnokseg@titkarsag.mta.hu<sup>266</sup>; lovasz@cs.elte.hu<sup>267</sup>

To the Director General of the Library of the MTA monok.istvan@konyvtar.mta.hu<sup>268</sup>

We the undersigned, who have had the opportunity to work at the Lukács Archive and/or enjoy the support and help of the Archive during our research, and for whom access to the printed and written manuscripts held at the Archive will continue to be an ineluctable necessity in our future work, were appalled to learn that despite the earlier promises and reassurances, the Library of the MTA is preparing to remove the manuscripts from the Lukács Archive. Such a step would destroy the independent character of the Lukács Archive—which should also be important for the MTA to maintain—and would cause inestimable damage to research. This is why we ask those responsible for the MTA and the Library of the MTA to stop this plan, in the interests of research.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>overline{264}}$ https://www.jungewelt.de/artikel/325401.reaktion%C3%A4re-neutralit%C3%A4t.html

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#### For Your Information

#### **AFEE: Web Content Editor and Social Media Coordinator**

On behalf of the AFEE Committee on Publications and Electronic Media, I write to solicit applications for two new AFEE positions: the AFEE Web Content Editor and the AFEE Social Media Coordinator. Each of these positions comes with a \$2000 stipend.

Applications should include: (1) a detailed letter of interest describing the candidate's background, vision and priorities relative to the position, (2) a vita, and (3) two letters of recommendation. Applicants should be or become a member in good standing with AFEE.

Applications should be sent to Eric Hake, AFEE Secretary/Treasurer, at erhake@catawba.edu $^{269}$ . The extended deadline for applications is February 6, 2018. Please refer to the AFEE website $^{270}$  for detailed information.

# American Economic Association (AEA) Draft Code of Professional Conduct: Comments requested

#### To Members of the American Economic Association

In October 2017 Alvin E. Roth formed an Ad Hoc Committee to Consider a Code of Professional Conduct for Economists, and charged it with evaluating various aspects of professional conduct, including those which stifle diversity in Economics. The ad hoc committee, composed of John Campbell (chair), Marianne Bertrand, Pascaline Dupas, Benjamin Edelman, and Matthew D. Shapiro discussed an interim report and draft code with the **American Economic Association** Executive Committee at its meeting on January 4, 2018, and provided an update to the AEA membership at the Annual Business Meeting on January 5 in Philadelphia. The interim report and draft code are now ready and available for viewing and comment by the AEA membership at large, and the Executive Committee encourages your participation and assistance in bringing these items ahead to final versions.

The ad hoc committee's interim report is available  $here^{271}$ .

The draft Code of Professional Conduct is available here<sup>272</sup>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>271</sup>https://www.aeaweb.org/resources/member-docs/code-of-conduct-interim-report

<sup>272</sup> https://www.aeaweb.org/resources/member-docs/draft-code-of-conduct

To offer comments on either or both items, please use this link<sup>273</sup> before **March 15**, **2018**.

The Association also decided to create a website/message board designed to provide additional information and transparency to the job market for new PhDs. This is planned to be operational in time for the 2018-19 job market cycle.

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