



Conference

Work, Ethics and Freedom

11-13 December 2019

Organisers: Chris Hann and Johannes Lenhard (for the Max Planck – Cambridge Centre for Ethics, Economy and Social Change)

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 11th December 2019

17.30 Registration

18.00 **Keynote Lecture by Wolfgang Streeck**

MPI for the Study of Societies, Cologne

Reflections on the Particular and the Universal: Varieties and commonalities in social life and social science

19.15 – 20.00 *Reception*



Thursday, 12th December 2019

8.30 – 09.00 Registration

09.00 Welcome by Chris Hann

09.15 – 11.30 **Session I**

*Chair: **Patrice Ladwig** (MPI for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Göttingen)*

Susan MacDougall

University of Cambridge

Judging Femininity: The ethics of nonworking womanhood

Patrick McKearney

University of Cambridge

Disabling Work: Intellectual impairment and the ethics of caring labour

Akanksha Awal

University of Oxford

Emotional Labour as Workplace Freedom? Ethical judgments from north India

*Discussant: **James Laidlaw** (University of Cambridge)*

11.30 – 11.45 *Coffee break*



11.45 – 13.15 **Session II**

Chair: Scott MacLochlainn (MPI for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Göttingen)

Gonçalo Santos, Yichen Rao, and Jack Xing

University of Hong Kong

The 996 Debates in 21st Century China: New visions of work-life balance, ethics, and freedom

Jiazhi Fengjiang

LSE, London

Negotiating Work's Worth: Grassroots philanthropy in post-Mao China

Discussant: Peter van der Veer (MPI for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Göttingen)

13.15 – 14.15 *Lunch break*

14.15 – 15.45 **Session III**

Chair: Mark Harvey (University of Essex)

Olivia Angé

Université libre de Bruxelles

Ethics of Work and Freedom in the Salvage Capitalism: Catholic worship and value creation in Jujuy – Argentina

Sam Williams

MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle

Uncertain liberties: Work and instrumental reason in the twilight of Erdoğan's Turkey

Discussant: Joel Robbins (University of Cambridge)

15.45 – 16.00 *Tea break*



16.00 – 17.30 **Session IV**

Chair: Miriam Glucksmann (University of Essex)

Ivan Rajković

MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle

From Freedom to Loaf to Freedom to Work: Late socialist countermovement and liberalisation from below

Sylvia Terpe

MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle

The Idea of Hard Work and the Freedom to Work Less: How small business owners in East Germany reconcile the two ideas

Discussant: Jennifer Cash (MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle)

18.30 – 20.00 *Dinner*

Friday, 13th December 2019

09.15 – 11.30 **Session V**

Chair: Lale Yalçın-Heckmann (MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle)

Johannes Lenhard

University of Cambridge

Investing in Entrepreneurs and Adding Value

Ilana Gershon

Indiana University

Why Would a Neoliberal Agree to Have a Boss?



Deborah Jones

MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle

Spiritual Gigs: Becoming an author by being a ghost

Discussant: Katherine Miller (Western Oregon University, Monmouth)

11.30 – 11.45 *Coffee break*

11.45 – 13.15 **Session VI**

Chair: Kirsten Endres (MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle)

Rachel Smith

University of Cambridge

The Value of Free Work: Work as gift and commodity among Ni-Vanuatu seasonal labour migrants

Anna-Riikka Kauppinen

University of Cambridge

Desiring Work: The gift of a career in Accra, Ghana

Discussant: Chris Gregory (Australian National University, Canberra)

13.15 – 14.15 *Lunch break*

14.15 – 15.45 **Session VII**

Chair: Marek Mikuš (MPI for Social Anthropology, Halle)

Magdalena Dąbkowska

Berlin School of Economics and Law

Globalisation 2.0 - Outsourcing White-collar Jobs: Processes and experiences



Ruth Dukes

University of Glasgow

Labour Constitutions and Occupational Communities: Towards an economic sociology of labour law

*Discussant: **Wolfgang Streeck** (MPI for the Study of Societies, Cologne)*

15.45 – 16.15 *Tea break*

16.15 – 17.15 Concluding discussion (led by Gerd Spittler, University of Bayreuth)

18.00 – 20.00 *Dinner*