Empire, Capital & Transnational Resistance
12th Annual Interdisciplinary Conference

Wednesday 13th September – Friday 15th September 2017
University of Brighton, UK

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Registration & Coffee | 10:30am – 11:10am | Edward Street Foyer

Welcome & Introduction | 11.15am – 11.30am | Edward Street 102

Session 1: 11.30am – 1.00pm

Panel 1 | Room: Edward Street 102 | Chair: David Martin

Paul Reynolds, Edge Hill University, UK

Is Violence - Against Property or Persons - Ever Justifiable in Contemporary Radical Left Politics?

Radha D’Souza, University of Westminster, UK

Empire, Capital and Transnational Resistance: Learning from the Ghadar Movement

Panel 2 | Room: Edward Street 103 | Chair: Filipa Cordeiro

Franco Tomassoni, Portuguese Institute for International Relations, Portugal

From Colonialism to Hegemony in the Angolan case. How has the Form of Domination in the Post-Colonial and Neoliberal Era Changed?

Aleksi Lohtaja, University of Jyväskylä, Finland

Rethinking the Right to the City: Housing between Commodity and Commons

Lunch | Grand Parade Cafeteria & Quad | 1.00pm – 2.00pm

Keynote | 2.00pm – 3.30pm | Edward Street 102

John Chalcraft | London School of Economics, UK | Chair: Radha D’Souza

Transnational Activism: A Sociopolitical Perspective

Coffee & Tea | Edward Street Gallery Space | 3.30pm – 4.00pm
### Session 2: 4.00pm – 5.30pm

Panel 1 | Room: Edward Street 102 | Chair: Mark McGovern

**Lisha Sinha, Guru Ghasidas Central University, India**  
*Alternative Forms of Resistance in a Vulnerable World: Emergence, Possibility and Validity*

**Filipa Cordeiro, Nova University Lisbon, Portugal**  
*Improper Names and the "Ready-Made Subject" as Strategies of Resistance in Art Practice*

Panel 2 | Room: Edward Street 103 | Chair: Paul Reynolds

**Struan Gray, University of Brighton, UK**  
*Behind the Neoclassical Façade: A Haunted National Monument in Post-Dictatorship Chilean Film*

**Phil Vellender, Independent Scholar, UK**  
*“We are many; they are few”: Corbyn discovers Shelley*

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**Thursday 14th September**

Late Registration & Coffee | 10:00am – 10:30am | Edward Street Foyer

### Session 3: 10.30am – 12.00am

Panel 1 | Room: Edward Street 102 | Chair: Robin Dunford

**Tanita Jill Poeggel, University of Edinburgh, UK**  
*Active/Active Citizens and Refugees*

**Elizabeth Chant, University of Cambridge, UK**  
*Art as Resistance: Spatialising National Memory Through Film in Post-Dictatorship Chile*

Panel 2 | Room: Edward Street 103 | Chair: Jonathan Yong Tienxhi

**Nicola Rivers & David Webster, University of Gloucestershire, UK**  
*Vulnerability as a Revolutionary Act: Resistance against neoliberal discourses of resilience*

**Meriam Mabrouk, University of Sussex, UK**  
*Neoliberalism and the Re-generation of Agrarian Capitalist Relations in Morocco: Who is the Coloniser and the Colonised?*
### Session 4: 12.00am – 1.30pm

**Panel 1 | Room: Edward Street 102 | Chair: Struan Gray**

**Thomas Sommer-Houdeville, University of Stockholm, Sweden**  
*Neoliberalism, The “Culturalisation of Politics” and Violence*

**Ben Jeffery, University of Chicago, USA**  
*Ian McEwan’s Saturday and the Perception of the World*

**Panel 2 | Room: Edward Street 103 | Chair: Megan Archer**

**Yiorgos Moraitis, Bremen University, Germany**  
*Fetishism and Contradiction in David Harvey’s Version of Marxism*

**Stephen O’Kane, Independent Scholar, UK**  
*Citizenship, Patriotism, and Political Economy*

**Panel 3 | Room: Edward Street 103 | Chair: Yaar Peretz**

**Jeff Noonan, University of Windsor, Canada**  
*Undemocratic Democracy: The Return of Right-Wing Populism in America and Europe*

**Nerma Cridge, Cambridge School of Architecture and Architectural Association London, UK**  
*Building the Wall: Architectural Response to Trump*

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**Lunch | Grand Parade Cafeteria & Quad | 1.30pm – 2.30pm**

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### Session 5: 2.30pm – 4.00pm

**Panel 1 | Room: Edward Street 102 | Chair: Aleksi Lohtaja**

**Gavin Rae, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Spain**  
*Agamben, Resistance, and the Coming Politics: The Problem of Biopolitical Agency*

**Tom Claes, University of Gent, Belgium**  
*Sexual Rights and/as Sexual Politics*

**Panel 2 | Room: Edward Street 103 | Chair: Jill Poeggel**

**Mark McGovern, Edge Hill University, UK**  
*“Shuffle Off This Mortal Coil, You C***”: Of Civilians, Barbarians and Law*

**Jonathan Yong Tienxhi, London School of Economics, UK**  
*The Myth of the Lazy Native in Contemporary Malaysia: Capitalism, Indolence and Neoliberal Culture*

**Panel 3 | Room: Edward Street 104 | Chair: Lukas Slothuus**

**Yaar Dagan Peretz, University of Exeter, UK**  
*The Perils of Empire and Neoliberalism: the Case of Settler Colonialism in the West Bank*

**Raph Schlembach, University of Brighton, UK**  
*Myth and Identity: The Revolutionary Right’s Intellectual Pursuit of a European Empire*
Friday 15th September

Coffee | Edward Street Gallery Space | 10.00am – 10.30am

Session 6: 10.30am – 12.00noon

Panel 1 | Room: Edward Street 102 | Chair: Carl Fraser

Lukas Slothuus, University of Edinburgh, UK
Disobedience Reinforcing the Status Quo? A Critique of Dominant Accounts of Civil Disobedience

Pierre-Alexandre Cardinal, McGill University, Canada
From Nation State to Islamic Republic; Iran and the Decolonial Praxis of Islamism

Panel 2 | Room: Edward Street 103 | Chair: Jeff Noonan

Abdus Sajud, KU Leuven, Belgium
Resistance and Revolt: A Reading of Hardt & Negri with a Critique Using Balibar

Cathy Bergin, University of Brighton, UK
Transnational Resistance: Anti-Fascism and African American Volunteers in the International Brigades

Panel 3 | Room: Edward Street 104 | Chair: Cathy Bergin

Anna Ikeda, Rutgers University, USA
Understanding Anti-U.S. Military Base Movements: A Civil Resistance Perspective

Lars Cornelissen, University of Brighton, UK
“It is Anti-Colonialism Which is the Problem”: Colonialism, Self-Determination, and Cold-War Neoliberalism

Session 7: 12.00pm – 13.30pm

Panel 1 | Room: Edward Street 102 | Chair: Gavin Rae

Dimitris Gakis, KU Leuven, Belgium
Reification and Immaterial Production

Megan Archer, University of Brighton, UK
The Neo-Imperial Machine: Logistics, Development, and Techniques of Extraction
Panel 2 | Room: Edward Street 103 | Chair: David Webster
Susan Lucas, Holy Trinity East Ham, UK
Revisiting the Welfare State: Or, on Not Quite being a Post-Liberal
David Martin, University of Brighton, UK
Surplus, Capitalism, and Resistance

Lunch | Grand Parade Cafeteria & Quad | 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Session 8: 2.30pm – 4.00pm

Panel 1 | Room: Edward Street 102 | Chair: Susan Lucas
Leonardo Sias, University Southampton, UK
Subverting and the production of dissenting desires
Guilel Treiber, KU Leuven, Belgium
Setting a Limit to a Limitless Power: A Foucauldian Revolt

Panel 2 | Room: Edward Street 103 | Chair: Paul Reynolds
Mathias Krams, University of Marburg, Germany
Challenging Neoliberal Structures through Counter-Hegemonic Framing Strategies: An Elaboration of the Power Context of Framing Processes
Carl Fraser, Situation Architecture, UK
Critical Spatial Practice

Closing Remarks 4.00pm | Room: Edward Street Lecture Theatre |

End of Conference Drinks | Waggon & Horses Public House
109 Church St, Brighton BN1 1UD