

CALL FOR PAPERS

Work, Employment and Society 2010 Conference

University of Brighton: 7th –9th September



Managing Uncertainty: A New Deal? International challenges and the changing face of work

The seismic and erratic changes in economic affairs has had global reverberations in terms of rapidly rising unemployment rates; unprecedented post-war government intervention in the management of the economy; and wide ranging consequences for labour that are becoming ever more apparent as events unfold since the autumn of 2008. These developments present a new set of challenges around inequalities, insecurity, changing forms of organisational practices and regulation; but many of these have their roots in traditional concerns of employment researchers. What is new and what has changed? How can we get a better grasp on these developments, both theoretically and empirically with an international perspective? Will the recession throw up new forms of regulation? Are we looking at a new deal and how will it challenge new dependencies at work and in society more widely?

Key Note speakers include:

Prof. Eileen Appelbaum (Rutgers, USA)

Prof. Jennifer Klein (Yale, USA)

Prof Chris Tilly (UCLA, USA)

Prof. Enrique de la Garza Toledo (Universidad Autonoma, Mexico),

Prof. David Lane (University of Cambridge, UK),

Profs. Premilla D'Cruz and Ernesto Noronha (Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad)

Dr. Pun Ngai (Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China)

Prof. Jill Rubery (Manchester Business School, UK),

Prof. Michel Lallement (CNAM Paris, France),

Prof. Claus Offe (Hertie School of Governance GmbH Berlin, Germany).

We invite papers addressed to the following streams:

1. Conceptual frameworks and theoretical controversies
2. New locations of work: The International division of labour & migration
3. New insecurities: Precarious employment, flexibility & unemployment
4. New inequalities: Aging, ethnicity, gender & disability
5. New conflicts and regulations in industrial relations
6. New forms of contractualism in welfare and employment
7. Fairness at work: Pay and evaluation
8. Global Human Resource Management & the Changing Face of Work
9. Changing organisational forms and new technologies
10. Emotional & aesthetic labour: Work, health and well-being
11. Creative and Cultural Workers
12. China - Employment relations in Chinese firms at home and abroad
13. India - The changing structure of employment
14. Brazil & Latin America - Perspectives on the global crisis
15. Eastern Europe - Social institutions and organizational processes
16. Methodological innovations: 'What is...?'
17. Open Stream

- Postgraduate workshop: 6th September.
- Travel awards to Non EU15 and North American participants
- Best Paper Prizes (deadline submission of full papers 21st May 2010)

Abstract submission form available from:
www.britsoc.co.uk/events/WES

IMPORTANT DATES:

Friday 16th April 2010:
Deadline for abstract submission.

Friday 21st May 2010:
Travel Awards & Best Papers submit full papers

Friday 16th July 2010: Last date for presenters to register.

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