POPULAR SOVEREIGNTY, MAJORITY RULE, AND ELECTORAL POLITICS

INSTITUT FÜR DIE WISSENSCAFTEN VOM MENSCHEN, VIENNA

MAY 30–JUNE 1, 2019

SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2019
12.30-1.30pm Lunch
1.30-3.30pm Popular Sovereignty and Neoliberalism
   EWAN ATANASSOV (Political Thought, Bard College, Berlin & Visiting Fellow, IWM)
   Popular Sovereignty on Trial
   BENJAMIN LEE (Anthropology and Philosophy, New School)
   Neoliberalism, Financialization and the Politics of Volatility
   Chair: DLIP GAONKAR (Rhetoric & Public Culture, Northwestern University)
3.30-4.00pm Coffee
4.00-5.30pm Keynote Address
   MICHAEL IGNATIEFF (Political Philosophy, Rector of the Central European University)
   Democracy Against Democracy: The Electoral Crisis of Libera Constitutionalism
   Chair: SHALINI RANDELL (Anthropology and Sociology, Rector of IWM)

FRIDAY, MAY 31, 2019
9.30-10.00am Coffee
10.00am-12.00pm Democracy and Degeneration
   CHARLES TAYLOR (Philosophy, McGill University)
   Three Modes of Democratic Degenerations
   CRAIG CALHOUN (Social Sciences, Arizona State University)
   Shifting Social Foundations of Democracy
   Chair: CLAUDIO LOMNITZ (Anthropology, Columbia University)
12.00-1.00pm Lunch
3.00-3.30pm Democracy and Contestation
   DLIP GAONKAR (Rhetoric & Public Culture, Northwestern University)
   The Structure of Democratic Degenerations
   NILUFER GOLE (Sociology, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, EHESS)
   Populism and Pluralism: Public Space at Stake
   Chair: LUDGER HAGINGDORN (Philosophy, Permanent Fellow, IWM)
3.30-5.30pm Democracy at Crossroads in Latin America
   CLAUDIO LOMNITZ (Anthropology, Columbia University)
   Mexico: The National-Popular Tradition in the Era of Climate Change
   LUCIANA CHÁNOOR ELIZONDO (Anthropology, Doctoral Candidate, Columbia University)
   Populism Authoritarianism and Minority Rule in Post-Revolutionary Nicaragua
   Chair: AYES CAIZAR (Social and Cultural Anthropology, Permanent Fellow, IWM)

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2019
9.30-10.00am Coffee
10.00am-11.00am Theorizing and Historicizing Indian Democracy
   ARUDRA BURMA (Philosophy, Indian Institute of Technology)
   AISHWARY KUMAR (History, Stanford University & Visiting Fellow, IWM)
   The Ministry to Come: Constitutional Theory and the Majority’s Two Bodies
   MUKULIKA BANERJEE (Anthropology and the South Asia Centre, London School of Economics)
   The Challenges of Cultivating Democracy
   Chair: DEVAL DESAI (Law, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Albert Hirschman Center on Democracy, Graduate Institute, Geneva)

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