

International Workshop

Dissensus, Judgment, Universality Rethinking Lyotard's Politics

Date: November 30 – December 1, 2018.

Location: Cluster of Excellence "The Formation of Normative Orders," Room EG 01 (ground floor), Goethe University Frankfurt, Max-Horkheimer-Straße 2, Campus Westend.

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Jean-François Lyotard is one of the most influential political philosophers of the last decades, and his book *The Postmodern Condition* has generated a number of prominent responses since its publication in 1979. However, there are few scholars systematically working on his political thought today, and consequently many of Lyotard's insights on questions of justice, critique, communication, universality, and conflict remain unexplored. The goal of this workshop is to reassess the importance of Lyotard for these and other central discussions in political and social philosophy today, bringing together perspectives from different countries and fields.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30

2:30 PM

Javier Burdman & Martin Saar: Welcome and Introductory Remarks.

3:15 PM: Panel 1

Tracy McNulty (Cornell University): "Sublime Feeling and the Unconscious Transmission of Political Acts: Lyotard on Kant and the French Revolution."

James Williams (Deakin University): "Bodies Given Limits and Continuities: Lyotard on the Politics of the Body."

5:30 PM: Coffee Break

6:00 PM: Panel 2

Claire Pagès (Université de Tours): "The Question of Local Legitimacy: History, Marxism, and Decolonization in Jean-François Lyotard."

Andreas Niederberger (Universität Duisburg-Essen): "Cosmopolitanism with Emancipation? Lyotard's 'Postmodernism' between Habermas and Rorty."

8:30 PM: Reception

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1

9:30 AM: Panel 3

Javier Burdman (Cluster of Excellence "Normative Orders," Goethe University Frankfurt): "Critical Judgments: Lyotard, Arendt, and the Politics of Kant's Critical Philosophy."

Ryan Scheerlinck (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München): "Politics, Philosophy, and the Differend: Lyotard on the Nature and Role of Political Philosophy."

11:30 AM: Coffee Break

12:00 PM: Panel 4

Agnès Grivaux (Université de Nantes): "Libidinal Economy vs. Dialectical Psychology: Uses of Psychoanalysis in the Political Field by Lyotard and Adorno."

Claire Nouvet (Emory University): "Community and the Freudian Thing: Lyotard on Writing and the Discontent of Politics."

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