

Violent Turns:

Sources, Interpretations, Responses

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About the Centers

The George and Irina Schaeffer Center for the Study of Genocide, Human Rights, and Conflict Prevention promotes innovative research, curricula, and pedagogies, in the hopes of reaching a deeper understanding of the causes and consequences of genocide and mass violence.

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Our goal is so foster scholarly discussion, here and abroad, with conferences, lectures, and publications, on how individuals and communities and governments can respond to the challenges of extreme violence in the service of enduring peace and understanding.

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Every year the Center hosts lectures and seminars on subjects relating to the study and practice of democracy. Notable past events have included the "Demos21: What Demos for the 21st Century?" lecture series, which opened with a talk by Etienne Balibar titled "What is Engagement?" and closed with a symposium co-organized with AUP Professor Julian Culp on "What Demos for 21st Century?" The Center also regularly hosts and organizes conferences on questions related to democracy. A full list can be found on the website.

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Conference Program

Wednesday, June 21

Welcome and Introduction

10.00-10.30

Professors Stephen Sawyer (AUP) and Brian Schiff (AUP)

"Durations of Violence: On Colonial Visual Records and their Afterlives"

10.30-12.00 (Q-801)

Keynote by Daniel Foliard (Université Paris Cité)

Lunch Break

12.00-13.30

Session 1

Categorizing & Labelling Violence

13.30-15.30 (Q-704)

Chair: Susan Perry (AUP)

Emtseva, Julia (Max Planck Institute, Germany), "The Politics of Border Clashes: How Language Shapes Conflicts. The Case of the Tajik-Kyrgyz Conflict"

Thomas, Bailey (Dartmouth College, USA), "Reconsidering and Reconciling Violence: A Musing from the Black Radical Tradition"

Craven, Alice (AUP, France), "Racial Violence in America and its Turning Perceptive(s)"

Murphy, Laura (Sheffield Hallam University, UK), "State Violence and the Response to Uyghur Dissent in China"

Radicalization and Violence

13.30-15.30 (Q-801)

Chair: Stephen Sawyer (AUP)

Marlière, Eric (Université de Lille, France), "Tensions Récurrentes entre Jeunes des Quartiers Populaires Urbains et Institutions Républicaines depuis Quarante Ans : Résistances, Conflits et Défiance à Défaute de Médiations Politiques en République?"

Korkut, Umut (D.Rad and Glasgow Caledonian University, UK), "Europe as an Outsider, Europe as an Insider: The European Integration as an Instrument of Radicalization at EU's Periphery"

Conti, Bartolomeo (EHESS, France), "Trajectories of (Non)Radicalisation in a French Prison"

Nava, Valentina (Université Paris Cité, France), "Subjectivation Affective et Contrôle de l'Espace Urbain : L'engagement Politique à l'Extrême-Droite dans la Lombardie Nord-Orientale"

Break

15.30-15.50

Sources of Violence: Historical Perspectives

15.50-17.50 (Q-801)

Chair: Constance Pâris de Bollardièrre (AUP)

Azzarelli, Andrea (Istituto per la Storia del Risorgimento Italiano, Italy), "Let us Defend our Freedom with Force!': Private Violence, State Police Forces and Strikebreaking Associations in Belle Epoque France (1899-1918)"

Janz, Nina (University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg, "The Violent Turn in Soldier's Letters" (online)

Moeller, Andreas (King's College London, UK), "From Us to Them: Drivers of Perpetration of Mass Atrocities by Bosnian Government Forces during the Bosnian War"

Keenan-Thomson, Tara (John Cabot University Rome, Italy), "Resistance Discourses in the Early Northern Irish Troubles: A Look at How Gender and Family Informed Political Activism and Violence"

Colonialism and Forced Labor in North America

15.50-17.50 (Q-704)

Chair: Miranda Spieler (AUP)

Slonimsky, Nora (Iona University in New Rochelle, USA), "Intellectual Property and Properties of Violence: Conflict and Creatorship in Early America"

Reichardt, Alec (University of Missouri, USA), "Path Diplomacy, Infrastructural Power and Networked Sovereignty: Tracing Indigenous Resistance and Colonial State Violence from Eighteenth-Century North America to Today"

Negrin, Hayley (University of Illinois Chicago, USA), "Violent Harvests: Indigenous Children and Slavery in Early Virginia"

Padilla-Rodriguez, Ivon (University of Illinois Chicago, USA), "Waging War on Innocent Children: How Smugglers, Labor Traffickers, and the US Government Subjected Migrant Youth to Violence in Post-1965 America"

Cocktail

18.00-20.00

Thursday, June 22

Session 3

Sources of Violence. Theoretical and Political Perspectives

09.00-11.00 (Q-801)

Chair: Julian Culp (AUP)

Reznik, Rafi (Polonsky Academy, Van Leer Jerusalem Institute Israel), "The Liberal Self in Self-Defense"

Culpepper, Willa Rae (Rutgers University, USA), "Men of Steel and Little Iron Cogs: Locating Motives of Perpetrators in the Use of Language and Construction by Prosecutors and Defense in Tribunals"

Lala-Guyard, Chloé (SciencesPo, France), "Sensibilité(s) Violente(s): cartographie des trajectoires subjectives de djihadistes français."

Schiff, Brian (AUP, France), "Violent Horizons: Understanding Perpetrators of Collective Violence"

Patterns of Violence

09.00-11.00 (Q-704)

Chair: Roman Zinigrad (AUP)

Suleiman, Samaila (Bayero University, Nigeria), "The Sokoto Jihad as a Metaphor for Violence in Contemporary Northern Nigeria"

Baizoumi Wambae, Sylvain (Ecole Normale Supérieure de Maroua, Cameroon), "Les Délits de Menaces Sous Conditions et les Violences Dégénératives Perpétrées par les Groupes Terroristes Affiliés à Boko Haram et les Bandes Armées A L'Encontre des Sociétés Pastorales Arabe-Choa, Foulbe et Mbororo au Nord-Cameroun"

Pomiecko, Aleksandra (University of St Andrews, UK), "Motivations, Context, and Violence in the Belarusian Nationalist Movement, 1921 – 1944"

Break

11.00-11.20

Non-Violent Responses

11.20-12.50 (Q-704)

Chair: Waddick Doyle (AUP)

Derman, Özge (EHESS, France), "Gestures of (In)Vulnerability"

Amadio, Nicolas (University of Strasbourg, France), "Violence(s) and the Relationship to Violence in Disengagement from Violent Extremism and Social Reintegration Processes"

Mousanejad, Maliheh and Komleh, Azam Niazy (University of Kharazmi, Iran), "'Woman, Life, Freedom' Movement: From the Violence of the Iranian Government to the Non-Violence of Iranian Women" (online)

Race & Otherness

11.20-12.50 (Q-801)

Chair: Pauline Peretz (Université Paris VIII/IHTP CNRS)

Mullis, Angela (Rutgers University, USA), "Revealing the Unseen: Violence, Whiteness, and Citizenship in the Works of Claudia Rankine"

Prelli, Lawrence (University of New Hampshire, USA), "Redemptive Violence and the American Patriotic Ethos"

Lunch Break

12.50-14.30

Naming and Recognizing Violence

14.30-16.00 (Q-801)

Chair: Marta-Laura Cenedese (University of Turku/Centre Marc Bloch)

Madar, Revital (Max Weber EUI, Italy), "Looting and Rape as Boundary-Making Crimes of Sovereign Violence"

Bansode, Rupali (University of Pennsylvania, USA), "Evicting Caste Violence"

Howard, Ashley M. (University of Iowa, USA), "More Than A Snapshot: Will Brown's Lynching and the Violence of History"

Gender & Violence*14.30-16.00 (Q-704)*

Chair: Lissa Lincoln (AUP)

Lounela, Emilia (University of Helsinki, Finland) and Sippel, Kirsti (University of Turku, Finland), "Unfit for Love? Evolutionary Justifications for Involuntary Celibacy, Misogyny and Victimhood of the 'Scientific Blackpill'"

Esmailian, Shima (Transitional Justice for Iran, Iran), "Female Body, Political Violence and Bodily Resistance in Post-Revolutionary Iran: How the Quiet Revolt of Bodies Turned into Revolutionary Bodies"

Saha, Aishik (Jadavpur University, India), "(Re)Claiming Spaces: Muslim Women's Resistance and 'Talking Back' to Hindutva" (online)

Break*16.00-16.20***Mediating Violence***16.20-17.50 (Q-704)*

Chair: Hannah Westley (AUP)

Kimble, James J. (Seton Hall University, USA), "Washington Burning: The Role of Militarization and Enmification in the Violence of the 1932 Bonus Expeditionary Force" (online)

Rys, Michiel (University of Durham, UK), "Questioning the Limits of Police Violence: The Aesthetics of Extremism in the Tatort Movie Verbrannt (2015)"

Mittleman, Alan (The Jewish Theological Seminary, USA), "Biblical Violence, Rabbinic Remediation, Contemporary Reemergence"

Challenging Violence*16.20-17.50 (Q-801)*

Chair: Emilie Garrigou Kempton (Pomona College)

Ferrier, Clément (Université Bordeaux Montaigne, France), "S'opposer et Réprimer la Violence de L'extrême Droite en Démocratie : Etude des Réponses Partidaires, Gouvernementales et Individuelles au Tournant Violent du Mouvement Rexiste en Belgique (1936-1940)"

Itskovich, Eran, Hasisi, Badi and Khoury-Kassabri, Mona (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel), "A Wall of Treatments: An Integrative Problem-Solving Approach to the Prevention of Stone Throwing in East Jerusalem"

Weill, Sharon (AUP, France) and Lefranc, Sandrine (CNRS, France),
"Hybridization of Criminal and Transformative Justice: The Bogota and Paris
Trials as Judicial Experiments"

Friday, June 23

Colonial and Post-Colonial Violence

10.00-12.00 (Q-801)

Chair: Caroline Laurent (AUP)

Pons, Daphné (Loyola University, USA), "Violence and Interruption: Arendt's
Dispute with Sartre and Fanon"

Cruikshank, Joanna (Deakin University, Australia) and McKinnon, Crystal
(University of Melbourne, Australia), "Colonial Violence and the Limits of
History"

Sumbal, Saadia (Forman Christian College University Lahore, Pakistan),
"Radicalization of Politics of Exclusion in Pakistan"

Okonkwo, Oge Samuel (University of Ghana), "The Changing Phases of Igbo
Agitation for Sovereignty in Postcolonial Nigeria: 1960 – 2015"

State Violence I.

10.00-12.00 (Q-704)

Chair: Zona Zaric (AUP)

Fuhrmann, Remi (University of Glasgow, UK), "The Laws of War and the
Legitimacy of Civil and Colonial Conflicts"

Bjork-James, Carwil (Vanderbilt University, USA), "Toward and Away from
Violent Repression in Democratic Bolivia"

Yusuff, Sikiru Abiona (Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Israel), "From
Margins to the Center: Violence and Lived Experiences of Sexual Minorities
(LGBTQ+) in the Endsars Movement in Nigeria" (online)

Lunch Break

12.00-13.30

Exiting Violence

13.30-15.00 (Q-801)

Chair: Brian Schiff (AUP)

McDonnell, Hugh (University of Groningen, Netherlands), "The Authority of Violence and Non-Violence: General Jacques Paris de Bollardière"

Bjork-James, Sophie (Vanderbilt University, USA), "Movements Opposing Ethnic Chauvinism in Diversifying Societies: Opposing Violent, Organized Racism in the Northwestern United States"

Waters, Timothy William (Indiana University, USA), "Not Enough Death: The Perverse Incentives of Remedial Secession"

State Violence II.

13.30-15.00 (Q-704)

Chair: Boris Adjemian (AGBU Nubar Library/CRH-EHESS)

Sukiasyan, Robert (USC Shoah Foundation, Armenia), "The Ottoman 'Temporary Law of Deportation' on the Context of the Armenian Genocide of 1915"

Yildiz, Yesim Yaprak (Goldsmiths University of London, UK), "Complicity and Complacency in Turkish Society in the Face of State-Led Atrocities"

Skoulas, Emmanuel (The American College of Greece), "Marginalized Groups and State Violence: The Case of Roma People in Greece"

Notes



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