INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
THE MEANING OF VIOLENCE
Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
Puerta de Toledo Campus
Salón de Grados,
8-9th March 2017

WEDNESDAY 8TH MARCH 2017

0900-0930hrs: Welcome and Registration

0930-0945hrs: Opening Remarks

0950-1120hrs Session 1: The Ontology of Violence
Chair: Gavin Rae
The Original Polemos: Phenomenology and Violence in Jacques Derrida
Valeria Campos-Salvaterra (Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso, Chile)
Violence, Biopolitics and Resistance: The meaning of Violence in the work of Giorgio Agamben
German Primera (University of Brighton, England)
The Violence of ‘ought to’ towards being: Heidegger and the Normative Power of Facticity
Manuela Massa (Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany/ Husserl Archive, Leuven, Belgium)

Coffee Break: 1120-1145hrs

1145-1315hrs Session 2: The Violence of Subjectivity
Chair: Valeria Campos-Salvaterra
Surviving Violence: Three Moments in the Constitution of the Lacanian Subject
Emma Ingala (Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain)
Taming the Little Screaming Monster: Castoriadis on Violence and the Creation of the Individual
Gavin Rae (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Spain)
Violence and the 'Civilizing Process'
Sinkwan Cheng (University College London, England)

Lunch: 1315-1515hrs

1515-1615hrs Session 3: Structural Violence
Chair: Dietrich Schotte
Right and Violence: Freud, Einstein, and Kelsen on the Violence of Right
Jens De Vleminck (Ghent University, Belgium)
From Structural to Ontological Violence: Violence as Restriction of Human Potentiality
Valentina Ricci (University of California, Irvine, USA)
Sartre’s Later Work: Towards a notion of Institutional Violence
Marieke Mueller (Université Paris Nanterre, France)

1900hrs: Conference Dinner, Restaurante Ginger, Plaza del Ángel, 12.
THURSDAY 9TH MARCH 2017

0900-0930hrs Registration and Welcome

0930-1100hrs Session 5: Divine Violence
Chair: Emma Ingala
The Divine Violence of Learning: Walter Benjamin and the Redemptive Potential of Education
Benjamin Chwistek (University of York, England)
Solution and Redemption: Benjamin on the Temporalities of Violence
Mijael Jiménez (Kingston University, England)
Violence, divine or otherwise: Myth, violence, and history in the Schmitt-Benjamin debate
Hjalmar Falk (University of Gothenburg, Sweden)

Coffee Break: 1100-1130hrs

1130-1300hrs Session 6: Social Violence
Chair: Hjalmar Falk
Suffering and Social Order: Critical Remarks on Arendt’s Concept of Violence
Dietrich Schotte (Philipps-Universität Marburg, Germany)
Violence, Cruelty and Politics: On Arendt’s and Shklar’s analyses of Politics
Carlos Thiebault (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Spain)
Understanding Suffering from Social Violence: Arendt’s and Adorno’s Legacy
Emanuel John (University of Potsdam, Germany)

Lunch: 1300-1515hrs

1515-1615hrs Session 7: Vulnerability and Violence
Chair: Rob Jackson
The Violence of Meaning and the Limits of Judgment
Antonio Gomez Ramos (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Spain)
Nothing to See Here: On Violence, Vulnerability and Witnessing in Judith Butler’s Work
Miri Rozmarin (Bar-Ilan University, Israel)

Coffee Break: 1615-1630hrs

1630-1800hrs Session 8: Violence, Terror, and Suffering
Chair: Gavin Rae
Violence and Civilization: Gramsci, Machiavelli and Sorel
Rob Jackson (Manchester Metropolitan University, England)
The World and the Embodied Subject: Humanism, Terror, and Violence
Stephen Noble (Université Paris-Est: Créteil, France)
Adorno, Suffering and Epistemic Violence: Critique of Progress
Mariam Matar (New School for Social Research, USA)

1800-1815hrs Closing Remarks.

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