Industrial Labour and Uneven Development
24th – 26th March 2021

Organisers:
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Workshop Program

Wednesday, 24th March 2021

13:00 – 13:15 Welcome and introduction by the organisers

Session A Chair: Christian Strümpell

13:15 – 14:45 Oliver Tappe
Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg, Germany, Department of Anthropology

‘Frontier Capitalism in Colonial and Contemporary Laos: The case of tin mining’
Discussant: Jonathan Parry
Suravee Nayak
Centre for Development Studies Trivandrum, India

‘Fragmentation of Labour and Collective Action: The production of capitalist space in the coalfields of eastern India’
Discussant: Rebecca Prentice

Session B Chair: Michael Hoffmann

15.15 – 16.45

Katerina Ivanova
Max-Planck-Institute for Social Anthropology, Germany

‘Hierarchies of Labour: Fragmentation and solidarity in the eastern German automotive industry’
Discussant: Arnaud Kaba

Paolo Marinaro
University of California Los Angeles, USA, Centre for Global Workers’ Rights

‘From NAFTA to USMCA: An ethnography of labour relations in the automotive industry in Mexico’
Discussant: Claudio Pinheiro

Thursday, 25th March

Julia Soul
CONICET Buenos Aires, Argentina, Centro de Estudios e Investigaciones Laborales

‘Unevenness, and Combination: Ethnographic insights on steel workers international unionism and working-class (re)organization in Argentina’
Discussant: Massimiliano Mollona
Umut Kuruüzüm
Istanbul Technical University, Turkey, Department of Economics

‘Rotating Industrial Labour between Turkey and Iraqi Kurdistan’
Discussant: Dimitra Kofti

Session D  Chair: Michael Hoffmann

15.15 – 16.45

Patrick Neveling
Bournemouth University, UK, Department of Social Sciences and Social Work

‘The Anthropology of Special Economic Zones: Free ports, export processing zones, tax havens’
Discussant: Sharryn Kasmir

Christian Strümpell & Hasan Ashraf
Universität Hamburg, Germany, Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology & Jahangirnagar University, Bangladesh, Department of Anthropology

‘Uneven and Combined Development in Bangladesh: The ready-made garment industry and garment workers since the 1980s’
Discussant: Görkem Akgöz

Friday, 26th March

Session E  Chair: Michael Hoffmann

13.00 – 14.30

Supurna Banerjee
Institute of Development Studies Kolkata, India

‘(Dis)connections in Labour: Examining trajectories of labour migration from tea plantations to urban informal labour in India’
Discussant: Jonathan Parry
Andrea Tollardo
University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy, Department of Human Sciences

‘Extracting Resources: Multi-scalar confluence of industrial expansion and mobile labour in an alpine extractive industry’
Discussant: Andreas Eckert

Session F  Chair: Christian Strümpell

15.00 – 16.30

André Weißenfels
Freie Universität Berlin, Germany, Otto Suhr Institute for Political Science

“‘A Good Job But Not A Good Life’: Experiencing unevenness and combination at the work place in Tunisia’s electronics industry’
Discussant: Tommaso Trevisani

Michael Hoffmann
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‘Uneven Development and Industrial Labour in Nepal: Desires to formalize industrial labour on the margins of the urban anticipation economy’
Discussant: Sharryn Kasmir

16.30 – 17.00  Final Discussion