

CLOSING CONFERENCE OF THE ZIF RESEARCH GROUP

In Search of the Global Labour Market

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31st January – 1st February 2019

Thursday, 31st January (Plenary Hall)

09:00 Arrival/Coffee

09:30 - 10:00 Welcome addresses by ZiF and the organisers

Panel 1: Labour – Or what is exchanged as a commodity in labour markets?

10:00 - 10:45 **What is exchanged in labour markets? Some heterodox thoughts**
Marcel van der Linden (Amsterdam)

10:45 - 11:30 **Capitalism and free wage labour**
Thomas Welskopp (Bielefeld)

11:30 - 11:45 *Coffee break*

11:45 - 12:30 **Is forced labour the new normal?**
Richard Hyman (London)

12:30 - 13:30 *Lunch*

Panel 2: The market concept and its heuristic potential

13:30 - 14:45 **What is so unique about labour markets?**
Patrik Aspers (Uppsala)

The contributions and limits of a market perspective on labour markets
Karen Shire (Duisburg-Essen)

14:45 - 15:30 **The co-production of labor markets and nation states, 1850-2000**
Peter-Paul Bänziger (Basel)

15:30 - 16:00 *Coffee and cake*

16:00 - 16:45 **Is there a global labour 'market'? Analytical capacities and 'blind spots' of the market concept in analyzing cross border labour migration**
Ursula Mense-Petermann (Bielefeld) & Helen Schwenken (Osnabrück)

Panel 3: What enables a labour market to cross national borders?

16:45 - 17:30 **Intermediaries and the making of cross-border labor markets**
Karen Shire (Duisburg-Essen)

17:30 - 18:15 **Emergence and decline of institutions: A transnational perspective**
Sigrid Quack, (Duisburg-Essen)

19:00 *Dinner at ZiF*

Friday, 1st February (Plenary Hall)

Panel 3 cont'd

09:00 - 09:45 **Immigration, social networks and occupational mismatch (joint work with S. Alaverdyan)**
Anna Zaharieva (Bielefeld)

09:45 - 10:30 **Cross-border journalism and mobility**
Sven Kesselring (Nürtingen-Geislingen)

10:30 - 11:00 *Coffee break*

11:00 - 11:45 **Eastern European service contract workers in the German meat industry – A case study in market making of a transnational labour market**
Ursula Mense-Petermann (Bielefeld)

11:45 -12:30 **Can job search assistance improve the labour market integration of refugees?**
Michele Battisti (Glasgow)

12:30 - 13:30 *Lunch*

Panel 4: Are there global labour markets?

13:30 - 14:15 **The global and its scales**
Eleonore Kofman (London)

14:15 - 15:00 **What are 'global' markets? Historical-sociological ideas**
Tobias Werron (Bielefeld)

15:00 - 15:30 *Coffee and cake*

15:30 - 16:15 **Global policies and discourses of intergovernmental and nongovernmental international organisations: The example of refugees and migration**
Rebecca Gumbrell-McCormick (London) & Alexandra Kaasch (Bielefeld)

19:30 *Dinner (Restaurant Vahle, Wertherstraße 24, 33615 Bielefeld, self pay)*