

International Workshop “Intersecting Mobilities and Social Protection. Looking Out for a New Approach how to Do Research”

Schedule in Salzburg, Austria (public version)

Day 1: Monday, September 26th

9:15-12:30 Examining the intersections of (im)mobility/social protection in Salzburg.

- Guided walk through the historical city with activists

14:00-15:00 Welcome! Taking stock and looking ahead

- **Introduction by the organizers** (Ebbi Raithelhuber, Wolfgang Schröer, Nandita Sharma)
- **Questions and claims:**
 - o The existing world is not organized to ensure social protection, mobility or social solidarity for all. Instead, everything in this world is organized to ensure social division.
 - o The world we live in – and have always lived in – is a world of mobility. There are many mobilities and many immobilities, and many of them are governed or shaped by nation state-regimes.
 - o We understand the workshop to be a political intervention that is intended to have an impact on research agendas. We want to have an effect on our present and future.
 - o How do we organize human life and ensure social protection under the conditions of mobilities?

15:30-17:00 1st Roundtable: “Historical Organization of today’s Social Im/mobility, Social Protection and Social Divisions: How Did the World We Have Get this Way? How will it develop?”

- **Introduction and moderator:** Ebbi Raithelhuber
- **Participants:** Bridget Anderson; Peter Adey; Nandita Sharma
- **Focus:** Historical development of im/mobilities, social protection, solidarities and divisions
 - o How has “society” been defined and understood? (class, gender/sex, “race,” “nation,” and more)
 - o How has societal membership been defined and understood?
 - o How has “social protection” been defined and understood?
 - o How has mobility and immobility been organized? By whom? For whom?
 - o What are the linkages between social im/mobility and social solidarity or social divisions?

17:00-17:30 Discussant of 1st Roundtable (Mimi Sheller via Skype)

18:30-21:30 Dinner with local, invited guests

Day 2: Tuesday, September 27th

9:00-10:30 2nd Roundtable: “Beyond the Power of Citizenship: Mobility, Membership and Social Protection”

- **Introduction and moderator:** Wolfgang Schröer
- **Participants:** Miriam Ticktin; Wolfgang Schröer; Kornelia Hahn

- **Focus:** A historically-reflective perspective that allows us to think of alternative ways of organizing political membership and social protection
 - o What is the basis of societal membership today? What can it be? (i.e. why citizenship? Why "mothers" or "workers" or "the poor," etcetera?)
 - o What is the source of social protection today? What can it be? (i.e. main differences between social protection and national welfare systems)
 - o Who are the recipients of social protection today? Who can it be?
 - o How is social protection provided today? Whose labour goes into its provision? How could it be organized?
 - o What are the relationships of social protection today? What can they be?

11:00-12:30 3rd Roundtable: "Mobility and the Figure(s) of the '(Im)migrant'"

- **Introduction and moderation:** Nandita Sharma
- **Participants:** Julia Mirsky; Alice Altissimo; Sofia An; Cornelia Schweppe
- **Focus:** How "the migrant" is constructed in diversified ways and what this means in different social and political contexts
 - o What do we mean by "mobility"? Who is seen to be "mobile," and who is seen as "staying put"?
 - o How do people make sense of their position as "migrants" and how are some "migrants" positioned as against other groups of people moving within or across borders?
 - o What do cross-border social protections currently look like? How do they work and who do they work for? Do they create their own forms of exploitation? What are the alternatives?

14:00-15:30 4th Roundtable: "Social Protection or Social Solidarity?"

- **Introduction and moderation:** Nandita Sharma
- **Participants:** Ebbi Raithelhuber, Stefano Piemontese; Paolo Boccagni; Andreas Herz
- **Focus:** Developing a distinction between welfare and social protection/social solidarity.
 - o Is social protection a "social welfare service"? Or is it essential for everybody?
 - o What is the basis of social solidarity? Would solidarity be enough? In what forms can it be organized?
 - o What does a form of political community look like that offers social protection for everybody?

16:30-17:30 Open Debate: "How best to bring societal membership, social protection and mobility together?"

- **Co-moderators:** Ebbi, Wolfgang, Nandita
- **Focus:** If this world is not designed for any of these things, what kind of world could we imagine that does so? Is it a world of borders? Is it an immobile world? Or is it a No-Border world?

Day 3: Wednesday, September 28th

9:00-11:00 Collective Evaluation of our discussions: "Where to from here?"

- **Co-moderators:** Ebbi Raithelhuber, Wolfgang Schröer, Nandita Sharma
 - o Which insights have been significant?
 - o What concerns do we have?
 - o What structural/institutional and ideological barriers are there for what we wish to achieve?
 - o What about the open tension between "reform" and "revolution"? Are they only ever dichotomous?

- Can we identify existing movements that coincide with the insights of our workshop and with our goals? (discussion led by: Stefano; Bridget; Ebbi; Wolfgang; Nandita)

11:30-13:00 Tangible steps and logistics

- Collaboration: a global research group or network?
- Identify funding sources
- Publications: Special Issue of a journal or book project based on the conference

Format of the Roundtables:

Roundtables are meant to be open discussions for all to participate in.

If you've been asked to specifically speak on a given roundtable, we would like you

- to draw on your research and experience to discuss the points and answer (some of) the questions we raise,
- to begin the roundtable by speaking to the most important thing you want the group to discuss and,
- to do so in 5 -8 minutes to leave time for the others to jump in.

Confirmed Participants:

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