

# CALL FOR PAPERS

## Work, Employment and Society 2010 Conference

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University of Brighton: 7th –9th September



### **Managing Uncertainty: A New Deal?** **International challenges and the changing face of work**

The seismic and erratic changes in economic affairs has had global reverberations in terms of rapidly rising unemployment rates; unprecedented post-war government intervention in the management of the economy; and wide ranging consequences for labour that are becoming ever more apparent as events unfold since the autumn of 2008. These developments present a new set of challenges around inequalities, insecurity, changing forms of organisational practices and regulation; but many of these have their roots in traditional concerns of employment researchers. What is new and what has changed? How can we get a better grasp on these developments, both theoretically and empirically with an international perspective? Will the recession throw up new forms of regulation? Are we looking at a new deal and how will it challenge new dependencies at work and in society more widely?

#### **Key Note speakers include:**

**Prof. Eileen Appelbaum** (Rutgers, USA)

**Prof. Jennifer Klein** (Yale, USA)

**Prof Chris Tilly** (UCLA, USA)

**Prof. Enrique de la Garza Toledo** (Universidad Autonoma, Mexico),

**Prof. David Lane** (University of Cambridge, UK),

**Profs. Premilla D'Cruz and Ernesto Noronha** (Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad)

**Dr. Pun Ngai** (Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China)

**Prof. Jill Rubery** (Manchester Business School, UK),

**Prof. Michel Lallement** (CNAM Paris, France),

**Prof. Claus Offe** (Hertie School of Governance GmbH Berlin, Germany).

We invite papers addressed to the following streams:

1. Conceptual frameworks and theoretical controversies
2. New locations of work: The International division of labour & migration
3. New insecurities: Precarious employment, flexibility & unemployment
4. New inequalities: Aging, ethnicity, gender & disability
5. New conflicts and regulations in industrial relations
6. New forms of contractualism in welfare and employment
7. Fairness at work: Pay and evaluation
8. Global Human Resource Management & the Changing Face of Work
9. Changing organisational forms and new technologies
10. Emotional & aesthetic labour: Work, health and well being
11. Creative and Cultural Workers
12. China - Employment relations in Chinese firms at home and abroad
13. India - The changing structure of employment
14. Brazil & Latin America - Perspectives on the global crisis
15. Eastern Europe - Social institutions and organizational processes
16. Methodological innovations: 'What is...?'
17. Open Stream

- Postgraduate workshop: 6<sup>th</sup> September.
- Travel awards to Non EU15 and North American participants
- Best Paper Prizes (deadline submission of full papers 21<sup>st</sup> May 2010)

**Abstract submission form available from:**

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**IMPORTANT DATES:**

**Friday 16th April 2010:**

Deadline for abstract submission.

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2010:**

Travel Awards & Best Papers submit full papers

**Friday 16th July 2010:** Last date for presenters to register.

**E-mail:**

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