

BSA Max Weber Study Group

Annual Report for Year 2010

The Max Weber Study Group was started in the early 1990s and over this period has held regular international conferences. The aim of the group is to establish links between researchers, to relate current research to the teaching of Max Weber, and to promote new themes for research.

The group organised a two day conference in September 2010 on “Max Weber and the Reconfiguration of Modernity”. 40 people attended and 25 papers were presented. Key speakers were the historian, Joachim Radkau (Bielefeld), who spoke on eros versus logos in Max Weber, and Volker Schmidt (Singapore) who spoke on Asian modernization and Weber. A selection of papers is being published in *Max Weber Studies*, issues 11.1 and 11.2 (2011).

A number of themes are being offered for future seminars and conferences. They include: Weber’s social-economic specification of modernity as a template for a global modernity; disenchantment; legitimacy and legitimation of politics and state; pre-critical and critical interpretation of Weber texts; the autonomy of the university and academic profession.

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