Conference Program

The “Betrieb” (organization, firm, establishment, …) as corporate actor – a theoretical and empirical challenge

Helmut Schmidt-University Hamburg, 29.-30 April, 2021

Thursday, 29 April 2021

10:00 am – 10:30 am  Conference Opening and Registration

10:30 am – 11:00 am  Introduction

Dorothea Alewell (Uni Hamburg)
Wenzel Matiaske (HSU Hamburg)

11:00 am – 11:45 am  Keynote: On the development of the rights of action of corporate actors in the USA

Arne Kalleberg (Chapel Hill, NC)

12:00 pm – 01:00 pm  Lunch Break

01:00 pm – 03:00 pm  Parallel Panel Sessions

Panel I: Microfoundations I

*Base and superstructure. A field-theoretical simulation model of employment relationships*
Albert Martin (Lüneburg)

*Micro politics and organizational change*
Frank Schirmer (Dresden)

*From what she mirrors, she’s a fit for us." The linkage of interpretive schemes and the constitution of the organization*
Sylvia Marlene Wilz (Hagen)

Panel II: Corporate Responsibility

*The epistemic life of corporations and its moral dimensions*
Lisa Herzog (Groningen)

*On the social construction of corporate responsibility*
Peter Walgenbach (Jena)

*Human rights in the supply chain: on moral and legal responsibilities of corporate actors*
Rolf Brühl (ESCP Berlin)

*Rutger Claasen (Utrecht)*

03:00 – 03:30 pm  Coffee Break
Parallel Panel Sessions

**Panel III: Microfoundations II**

*The structure of collective action*
Daniel Schweikart (Flensburg)

*Miniature societies: companies as political actors*
Werner Nienhüser (Duisburg-Essen)

*Multinational corporate groups as corporate actors?*
Ute Schmiel (Duisburg-Essen)

Panel IV: The Firm and the Law

*(Anti)Democratic Standards: A Retrospective View on the Sabotage of Democracy and Support of Dictatorship in Latin America During the 1960s and 1970s years*
Marcelo Neves (Brasília)

*Considerations on the criminal liability of companies*
Günther Ortmann (HSU Hamburg)

*Critical Theory of Legal Revolutions*
Hauke Brunkhorst (Flensburg)

*On corporate persons and property rights*
Kirsten Foss & Nicolai Foss (CBS Copenhagen)

Keynote

**Organizations, networks and institutions**
Woody Powell (Stanford)

08:00 pm
Conference Dinner

Friday, 30 April 2021

Keynote: **Business Data Collection: Survey unit and analysis unit**
Ger Snijkers (The Hague)

Parallel Panel Sessions

**Panel V: SGW and Inst. Labour Relations I**

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Sigurt Vitols (WZB Berlin)

*Work councils: collective action within corporations*
Berndt Keller (Konstanz)

*Institutionalization of personnel management and collective action*
Wolfgang Mayrhofer (Vienna)

Panel VI: Borders of the Firm

*Workers Capabilities and the boarders of the firm*
Bénédicte Zimmermann (EHESS Paris)

*Multiple competitions in higher education: a conceptual approach*
Georg Krücken (Kassel)

12:00 pm – 01:00 pm
Lunch Break
01:00 pm – 03:00 pm Parallel Panel Sessions

Panel VII: SGW and Inst. Labour Relations II

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Cécile Ezvan (ESCP Paris)

*The fiduciary relationship of supervisory boards, with particular emphasis on employee participation*

Dieter Sadowski (Trier)

*Standards of good work, self-efficacy and social cohesion*

Konstanze Senge (Halle)

Panel VIII: Unit of Analysis

*Operational definition of the "Betrieb" in organizational research*

Tobias Gebel (DIW Berlin)

*IAB Establishment Panel – the key informant (problem)*

Lutz Bellmann (IAB Nürnberg)

03:00 pm – 03:30 pm Coffee Break

04:00 pm – 04:45 pm Keynote: *tba*

David Marsden (LSE London)

05:00 pm End of Conference