



POSTCOLONIALISM AND LABOUR

EACLALS
Postgraduate Conference

Chemnitz University of
Technology,
Germany

26 - 27 March 2011

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Prof. Frank Schulze-Engler
(Goethe University, Frankfurt)



CHEMNITZ UNIVERSITY
OF TECHNOLOGY
1836-2011
175 Years

Contact us:

eaclals.pg.conference@googlemail.com

ECLALS
European Association for Comparative Literature and Language Studies

This inaugural postgraduate conference aims to provide a space for debate and discussion on reconfiguring the category of 'Labour' within Postcolonial Studies. The concept is now gaining purchase in the field owing largely to globalisation, international division of labour, immigration and the radical restructuring of work and professions both within and outside the West. In the last twenty-five years we have witnessed the emergence of a wide range of literary and filmic productions that reconfigure the notion of 'Labour'.

Some suggested themes are:

Labour and its Cultural Constructions

- The aesthetics of writing labour
- The visual aesthetics of labour

Labour and Power Relations

- Restructuring labour in the Post-Imperial era
- Neo-imperialism and labour

Labour and Globalisation

- New technologies and new forms of labour
- New technologies and old forms of labour

Labour and Capitalism

- Revisiting Marx in the global economic crisis
- Transformations in the working class

Labour and Gender

- New Feminism in the age of globalisation
- Deconstructing the gender divide in the job market

Labour and Identity

- New Ethnicities for a new labour market
- Crossing national identities

Labour and Exploitation

- Legitimising the exploitation of illegal immigrants
- Illegal exploitation of immigrants

Labour and Exile

- Reflections on exile as survival
- Refugees, migrant workers and exile

We also welcome presentations in the form of workshops where postgraduate students can share and discuss their work in progress. In addition to the paper presentations, postgraduate students are encouraged to present early findings of their research in the form of posters.

Please send abstracts of no more than 250 words for individual presentations (20 minutes), workshop presentations or poster presentations to eaclals.pg.conference@googlemail.com. Include your name, affiliation, email address, a brief biography and indicate whether you will present in a PANEL, WORKSHOP or with a POSTER.

Abstracts: Deadline for abstracts is: 01 November 2010