

Against structural postponement On the legitimacy and possibilities of new institutions of sharing

Workshop, Schloss Münchenwiler, Murten, 5–8 September 2021
Organizers: Julia Eckert & Johanna Mugler, University of Bern

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Program

SUNDAY – September 5, 2021

Arrival Münchenwiler

Check-in Schloss Münchenwiler

19.00 Dinner / Schloss Münchenwiler

MONDAY – September 6, 2021

Zoom-Meeting

<https://unibe-ch.zoom.us/j/62971501032?pwd=d3NPczVFNXXN1MDFWVStsVVRvRWtSQT09>

Meeting-ID: 629 7150 1032

Code: 872341

9.15–9.45

Welcome & Introduction to Day 1 (Julia Eckert & Johanna Mugler)

Session 1:

Global economic interdependence and persistent national organization of Redistribution

9.45–10.30

Ellen Hertz: University of Neuchâtel, ellen.hertz@unine.ch

"Taking ownership", "corporate citizenship", "win-win": contrasting imaginaries of corporate social responsibility, their limits and contradictions.

Discussant: Thomas Widlok, University of Cologne

10.30–10.45

Coffee break

10.45–11.30

Angela Lindt, University of Bern,

Sharing visions of rights and legal obligations: transnational struggles against corporate impunity.

Discussant: Andreas Streinzer, University of St. Gallen

11.30–12.15

Victor Li, University of Toronto

The "Communovirus," (In)Equality, and Justice

Discussant: Marco Motta, University of Neuchâtel

12.15–12.45
Discussion (Chair: Kiri Santer)

13.00–15.00
Lunch / Schloss Münchenwiler

Session 2:
Visions of global egalitarian reform

15.00–15.45
Horacio Ortiz, East China Normal University, Shanghai, & Center National de la Recherche Scientifique, IRISSO, Université Paris Dauphine, PSL University, Paris
States of global finance: assemblages of the state in cross-border investment in Shanghai.
Discussant: Katharina Pistor, Columbia Law School, New York

15.45–16.30
Klaus Schlichte, University of Bremen
After or before socialism - how global are new ideas?
Discussant: Ellen Hertz: University of Neuchâtel

16.30–16.45
Coffee Break

16.45–17.30
Samuel Moyn, Yale University
Distribution between the National and the Cosmopolitan?
Discussant: Julia Eckert, University of Bern

17.30–18.00
Discussion (Chair: Johanna Mugler, University of Bern)

19.00
Dinner / Schloss Münchenwiler

TUESDAY, September 7, 2021

Zoom-Meeting
<https://unibe-ch.zoom.us/j/62752330805?pwd=RXYxVmJlcTZNamhGbWJVSTF5ZSszUT09>
Meeting-ID: 627 5233 0805
Code: 458323

9.15–9.30 Introduction to Day 2 (Julia Eckert & Johanna Mugler)

Session 3:
National and transnational orientation of demands for more equitable societies I

9.30–10.15
Tania Li, University of Toronto
Solidarity Today: What, and How?
Discussant: Klaus Schlichte, University of Bremen

10.15–11.00

Andreas Streinzer, University of St. Gallen

Bordering value for redistribution: neo-exclusionary and extractive ambivalences around solidarity

Discussant: Andrea Muehlebach, University of Bremen

11.00–11.15

Coffee break

11.15 –12.00

Kiri Santer, University of Bern

Reconceptualising access to territory as a redistributive issue in and around the central Mediterranean.

Discussant: Luis Eslava, Kent Law School, University of Kent

Discussion:

12.30–13.00 (Chair: Angela Lindt)

Lunch: 13.00–14.30/ Schloss Münchenwiler

14.30–15.15

Thomas Widlok, University of Cologne

Tax from a distance - getting closer to tax: Rightful shares and inappropriate demands in the nascent welfare states of southern Africa and beyond.

Discussant: Samuel Moyn, Yale University

15.15–16.00

Coffee Break

Session 4: Practitioners' Panel

Roundtable: On structural postponement and new institutions of sharing in practice: experiences, constraints, models & visions.

Zoom-Meeting

<https://unibe-ch.zoom.us/j/67744581061?pwd=Z0YxNmRzTSStEdTlVTVlHbTFpUjB2Zz09>

Meeting-ID: 677 4458 1061

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16.00–17.30 Roundtable

Participants

Anthony Taubman, Director, Intellectual Property Division of the World Trade Organization, Geneva

George Gray Molina, Head of Strategic Engagement and Chief Economist at UNDP Bureau for Policy and Programme Support, New York

Marina Durano, Senior Program Officer, Women's Right Program, Open Society Foundation, New York

Maikel Evers, former advisor to the OECD Centre for Tax Policy and Administration, Paris, currently Associate Partner with EY Rotterdam/Brussels.

Moderator: Johanna Mugler

17.30–18.15 On the walk: Follow-up discussion from Practitioners' Panel: Lessons Learned
19.00

WEDNESDAY, September 8, 2021

Zoom-Meeting

<https://unibe-ch.zoom.us/j/69342245274?pwd=RUp5RFpMM3REME9pQWxTYk16WTVSQT09>

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Code: 535408

8.30–8.45 Introduction to Day 3 (Julia Eckert & Johanna Mugler)

Session 5:

National and transnational orientation of demands for more equitable societies II

8.45–9.30

Johanna Mugler, University of Bern

Demanding a different share: multiple and evolving fiscal spaces in international tax

Discussant: Horacio Ortiz, East China Normal University, Shanghai, & Center National de la Recherche Scientifique, IRISSO, Université Paris Dauphine, PSL University, Paris

09.30–10.15

Andrea Muehlebach, University of Bremen

Rights of Nature: Toward new Figures and Distributions of Rights and Obligation.

Discussant: Heinzpeter Znoj, University of Bern

10.15–10.30

Coffee break

10.30–11.15

Alternative circuits of informal economies: Resourcefulness in times of pandemic (a view from Haiti).

Marco Motta, University of Neuchâtel

Discussant: Victor Li, University of Toronto

11.15–12.00

The Swiss popular vote about the EFTA-Indonesia Free Trade Agreement of 2021 and the debate about large-scale oil palm plantations

Heinzpeter Znoj, University of Bern

Discussant: Tania Li, University of Toronto

12.00–12.30

Wrap Up (Moderator: Julia Eckert & Johanna Mugler)

Departure & Lunch

Costs & Travel:

The costs for the accommodation, meals during the workshop and travel expenses will be covered. Participants arriving from abroad are funded through the Swiss National Science Foundation. Participants working in Switzerland are funded through the University of Bern. You will need to book your own flights and train tickets. We recommend booking economy class tickets, as only these can be reimbursed.

In case you arrive from overseas you will also need a train ticket from Zurich airport to the Schloss, which can be purchased and printed here. <https://www.sbb.ch/> (type in: Münchenwiler, Schloss Münchenwiler (Hotel). Tickets can also be purchased via the Swiss Federal Railways app ([Apple App Store/Google Play](#)) or at a vending machine at the airport. The vending machines accept card or cash. A one-way ticket costs around CHF 70.

Your travel costs for a return trip to Switzerland (including transfers to and from the airports or train stations, transportation in Switzerland and visa costs) will be reimbursed by our institute after the event took place. The SNF also states that unless there are valid reasons to do otherwise, travel within Europe should be conducted by train.

Please keep all your original receipts. Our secretariat will need them in order to process your reimbursement. We will provide you with the necessary document during the workshop.

Accommodation:

A single room is booked for you at Schloss Muenchenwiler. <https://www.schloss-muenchenwiler.ch/home/>
The hotel will be paid directly by our institute.

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Organisation:

To have a productive discussion on the legitimacy and possibilities of new institutions of sharing, the workshop will be organized in pairs of two: one speaker and one discussant. In each session, a 10-minute input by the speaker will be followed by a 10-minute commentary by the discussant before we will enter into a joint discussion of 15-minutes.

Next steps before the workshop:

It would be great if all speakers presenting a paper could send a short draft of not more than 5 pages by **August 25th** that outlines your argument. It might be a draft that you are already working on. It should give the discussants something to work with and prepare their comments and all the other participants an insight into your thinking in relation to the workshop's topic.

Please send the papers to: johanna.mugler@anthro.unibe.ch.

I will bundle them and make them available to the group via email. The idea is that everyone has read the short pieces in advance to the workshop.

Aim of the workshop / publication:

The aim of the workshop is to develop a conceptual language that can assist us to tackle the seeming contradictions between domestic and international solutions to exploding levels of distributional inequalities that entangle these dimensions inextricably. Our aim is not necessarily to position ourselves between the domestic and the international sphere, but to come to an analytical position from which we can best explore such pressing distributive questions. We would like to publish the findings of our workshop in a peer-reviewed journal or in a peer-reviewed edited volume. We will discuss the joint publication options with you at the workshop which depend also on your interest and other commitments. Full papers would be due in February/March 2022.