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Thursday 9th March 2017

0930-1000hrs Registration and Welcome

1000-1130hrs Session 4: Divine Violence
Chair: Emma Ingula
The Divine Violence of Learning: Walter Benjamin and the Redemptive Potential of Education
Benjamin Chwistek (University of York, England)
Solution and Redemption: Benjamin on the Temporalities of Violence
Mijael Jiménez (Kingston University, England)
Violence, divine or otherwise: Myth, violence, and history in the Schmitt-Benjamin debate
Hjalmar Falk (University of Gothenburg, Sweden)

Coffee Break: 1130-1200hrs

1200-1300hrs Session 5: Social Violence
Chair: Hjalmar Falk
Suffering and Social Order: Critical Remarks on Arendt's Concept of Violence
Dietrich Schotte (Philipps-Universität Marburg, Germany)
Understanding Suffering from Social Violence: Arendt's and Adorno's Legacy
Emanuel John (University of Potsdam, Germany)

Lunch: 1300-1515hrs

1515-1615hrs Session 6: Vulnerability and Violence
Chair: Rob Jackson
The Violence of Meaning and the Limits of Judgment
Antonio Gomez Ramos (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Spain)
Nothing to See Here: On Violence, Vulnerability and Witnessing in Judith Butler’s Work
Miri Rozmarin (Bar-Ilan University, Israel)

Coffee Break: 1615-1630hrs

1630-1800hrs Session 7: Violence, Terror, and Suffering
Chair: Gavin Rae
Violence and Civilization: Gramsci, Machiavelli and Sorel
Rob Jackson (Manchester Metropolitan University, England)
The World and the Embodied Subject: Humanism, Terror, and Violence
Stephen Noble (Université Paris-Est: Créteil, France)
Adorno, Suffering and Epistemic Violence: Critique of Progress
Mariam Matar (New School for Social Research, USA)

1800-1815hrs Closing Remarks.