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Wednesday 27 September

9.15 am

Plenary session 1 / Opening (1)

Chair: Heinz D. Kurz — room ‘François de Sales’

• Regina Roth (Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften, Germany)
  Potentials in the legacy of Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels. Concepts of the critical edition (MEGA)

• Kenji Mori (Tohoku University, Japan)

10.30 am / Coffee break

11 am

Plenary session 2 / Opening (2)

Chair: Christian Gehrke — room ‘François de Sales’

• Heinz D. Kurz (University of Graz, Austria)
  Will the MEGA2 edition be a watershed in interpreting Marx?

• Izumi Omura (Tohoku University, Japan)
  Re-examining the authorship of the “Feuerbach” chapter in The German Ideology on the basis of a hypothesis of dictation

• Oleg Ananyin (National Research University HSE, Moscow, Russia)
  Design of Marx’s Capital. An outline of intellectual history

2 pm

Parallel session 3A / Money

Chair: Jean Cartelier — room ‘François de Sales’

• Michele Ciccone (University of Siena, Italy)
  Some notes on interest and money in Marx’s analysis

• Giovanni Scarano (University of Roma Tre, Italy)
  The dialectical view of real and financial crises in Marx's thought

• Rebeca Gómez Betancourt (University Lumière Lyon 2, France) & Matari Pierre Manigat (Universidad Autónoma de la Ciudad de México, Mexico)
  James Steuart and the making of Karl Marx’s monetary thought.

Parallel session 3B / French speaking session

Chair: Alain Béraud — room ‘Michel Rua’

• Pierre Le Masne (University of Poitiers, France)
  D'où vient la théorie de l'exploitation de Marx?

• Jean-Pierre Potier (University Lumière Lyon 2, France)
  Karl Marx (et Friedrich Engels), les salaires et la question de la paupérisation

• Alexandre Chirat (University Lumière Lyon 2, France)
Marx et l'émergence de la société par actions: fonctions, revenus et classes de la ‘grande industrie’

3.30 pm / Coffee break

4 pm

Parallel session 4A / Origin and development of capitalism

Chair: Susumu Takenaga — room ‘François de Sales’

• Jonathan Perraton (University of Sheffield, Great Britain)
  Marx and the development of development economics
• Nicolas Eyguesier (University of Lausanne, Switzerland)
  Marx and Sismondi on primitive accumulation.
• Marcello Musto (York University, Canada)
  Marx and the controversy on the development of capitalism in Russia

Parallel session 4B / Individualism and philosophy of history

Chair: Ludovic Frobert — room ‘Michel Rua’

• Daniel Diatkine (University of Évry / Paris-Saclay, France) & Ragip Ege (University of Strasbourg, France)
  Three aspects of ‘production’ in Marx
• Vitantonio Gioia (University of Salento, Italy)
  Individualism and social change. An unexpected theoretical dilemma in Marxian analysis
• Riccardo Soliani (University of Genoa, Italy)

Marx and Fourier. Criticism of contemporary society and new philosophical anthropology

5.45 pm / Cocktail
A rare presentation first edition of Karl Marx's seminal work, Das Kapital, signed by the author and given to Johann Eccarius, the close friend with whom he fell out and who may have betrayed him, sold at Bonhams Fine Books and Manuscripts sale in London on June 15 [2016] for £218,500. It had been estimated at £80,000-120,000. This is a new world record for a copy of Das Kapital at auction.

Bonhams senior book specialist Simon Roberts said, "This was a very important copy of one of the world's most influential books and not surprisingly the bidding was extremely keen — presentation copies are extremely scarce. I suspect the irony that a devastating criticism of capitalism should sell for a such a huge sum would have caused Marx a wry smile".

The copy was signed and dated on 18 September 1867, four days after its publication, and is among the very few presentation copies known to have survived.

(From Bonhams’ site.)
Thursday 28 September

9 am

Plenary session 5 / Ground rent — Falling rate of profit

Chair: Richard Sturn — room ‘François de Sales’

• Susumu Takenaga (Daito Bunka University, Japan)
  Marx’s research on the theory of ground rent during the first half of 1860s — manuscripts of 1861-63, chapter 6 of the main manuscript of Book III of Capital (1865), and the related excerpt notes (agro-chemistry of Liebig)

• Saverio Maria Fratini (Roma Tre University, Italy)
  Is Marx’s absolute rent due to a monopoly price?

• Jou Ishii (Kanto Gakuin University, Japan)
  Marx’s theories of falling rate of profit and relative surplus population. Comparison with those of J. S. Mill

10.30 am / Coffee break

11 am

Parallel session 6A / Philosophy and economy

Chair: David Andrews — room ‘François de Sales’

• Herbert De Vriese (University of Antwerp, Belgium)
  Karl Marx and ruthless pragmatism. An unknown character study by Edgar Bauer

• Zacharias Zoubir (Sophiapol, University of Paris Nanterre, France)

• Michele Bee (University of Lausanne, Switzerland)
  Marx and the emancipation of human senses

Parallel session 6B / Wage labour and human capital

Chair: Rodolphe Dos Santos Ferreira — room ‘Michel Rua’

• Roberto Veneziani (Queen Mary University of London, Great Britain)
  Unequal exchange, international justice and migration

• Naoki Yoshihara (University of Massachusetts Amherst, USA)
  How capitalists dominate: Marx’s modes of subsumption revisited

• Cosimo Perrotta (University of Salento, Italy)
  Crises and consumption in Marx and his followers

12.30 am / Lunch

2 pm

Parallel session 7A / Critique of political economy (1)

Chair: Renee Prendergast — room ‘François de Sales’

• Guillaume Fondu (University of Rennes, France)
  What is to be done with Capital? Meanings of the critique of political economy

• Philippe Gillig (University of Strasbourg, France)
  Marx, the “Wakefield system” and the critique of political economy
• Eric Rahim (University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Great Britain)
Marx — From Hegel and Feuerbach to Adam Smith. A new synthesis

Parallel session 7B / Labour and value

Chair: Jean-Pierre Potier — room ‘Michel Rua’
• Riccardo Bellofiore (University of Bergamo, Italy)
The adventures of ‘Vergesellschaftung’ in Marx
• Wilfried Parys (University of Antwerp, Belgium)
Labour values versus energy values. Some developments on the common substance of value since 1867
• Jean Cartelier (University of Paris Ouest, France)
From ‘the double character of the labour embodied in commodities’ to payment matrices. A critical analysis of Marx’s commodity theory

3.30 pm / Coffee break

4 pm

Parallel session 8A / Critique of political economy (2)

Chair: Saverio Maria Fratini — room ‘François de Sales’
• Renee Prendergast (Queen’s University Belfast, Great Britain)
Historical materialism and Karl Marx’s engagement with doctrines of progress
• David Andrews (State University of New York at Oswego, USA)
Self-movement of nature and capital: the Aristotelian roots of Marx’s critique of classical political economy

• Jacob Samuel Abolafia (Harvard University, USA)
“Classical” Political Economy: Marx’s Aristotelianism Revisited

Parallel session 8B / Labour, employment and class struggle

Chair: Roberto Veneziani — room ‘Michel Rua’
• Nick Deschacht (KU Leuven, Belgium)
Marx and the economics of monopsony: the power of capitalists to set wages
• Rodolphe Dos Santos Ferreira & Ragip Ege (University of Strasbourg, France)
The employment contract with externalized costs: the avatars of Marxian exploitation
• Michael Assous (University Lumière Lyon 2, France)
Marx and Kalecki on (in)stability and class struggle

7.30 pm / Gala dinner
Friday 29 September

9 am

Parallel session 9A / Some immediate receptions of Marx’s writings

Chair: Rebeca Gómez Betancourt — room ‘François de Sales’

• Michel Bellet (University of Saint-Étienne, France)
  The Revue socialiste (1885-1914) and Marx

• Michael White (School of Oriental and African Studies, London, Great Britain)
  Searching for New Jerusalems: P.H. Wicksteed’s ‘Jevonian’ Critique of Marx’s Capital

• Guillaume Vallet (Grenoble Alpes University, France)
  Marxian but not Marxist: Albion W. Small’s appraisal on Marx

Parallel session 9B / Marx in the 20th & 21th centuries

Chair: Ragip Ege — room ‘Michel Rua’

• Andres Lazzarini (Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil) & Denis Melnik (National Research University ‘Higher School of Economics’, Moscow, Russia)
  On an allegedly obsolete assumption of free competition: the problem of historical relevance in Marx’s economics

• Fabio Petri (University of Siena, Italy)
  Class struggle and hired prize-fighters. A Marx-inspired perspective on the present state of economic theory and its social causes

  • Ludovic Frobert (CNRS, École normale supérieure de Lyon, France)
    François Perroux: Saint-Simon rather than Marx

10.30 am / Coffee break

11 am

Plenary session 10 / Closing session: The reproduction schemes of social capital

Chair: Kenji Mori — room ‘François de Sales’

• Christian Gehrke (University of Graz, Austria)
  Marx's reproduction analysis and multi-sectoral growth models

• Marco Veronese Passarella (Leeds University Business School, Great Britain)
  A Marx ‘crises’ model. The reproduction schemes revisited

• Carlo Benetti (University of Paris Ouest, France), Alain Béraud (University of Cergy-Pontoise, France), Édith Klimovsky (The Metropolitan Autonomous University, Mexico) & Antoine Rebeyrol (University of Paris Ouest, France)
  Use values and exchange values in Marx’s schemes of reproduction

• Kenji Mori (Tohoku University, Japan)
  New aspects of Marx’s economic theory in MEGA: Marx’s six-sector model

12.45 am / Lunch
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