



## **Economy & the Possible: Alternative, Missed and Reified Futures in Contemporary Society**

20-21 May 2019

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**Monday, 20 May 2019**

(sessions will be run by Adriana Mica and Katarzyna Wyrzykowska)

08:45-09:20	<b>Registration &amp; morning coffee</b>
09:20-09:30	<b>Welcome</b>
09:30-10:45	<b>Guest speech</b> <b>Gary Herrigel</b> (University of Chicago)
10:45-11:00	<b>Coffee break</b>

11:00-12:15	<p><b>Panel I:</b> Future and the topology of the possible  <b>Lukas Becht</b> (Vienna University) -- <i>History of missed futures as a history of the (im)possible: futurology of postindustrialism and postgrowth economy under state socialism, 1967–1989</i>  <b>Maciej Kassner</b> (The Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń) -- <i>Possible markets. Polanyian perspective on the future of socialism</i></p>
12:15-13:15	<p><b>Panel II:</b> Possible futures – economy, politics and society (I)  <b>Jan-Peter Schmitt</b> (Chemnitz University of Technology) and <b>Julien Bucher</b> (Chemnitz University of Technology) -- <i>How visionaries and narratives explicate possible futures and create paths from imagination to innovation</i>  <b>Bronisław Bombała</b> (University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn) -- <i>Homo Donator versus Homo Oeconomicus: Personalistic Approach of Economy and Entrepreneurship</i></p>
13:15-14:15	<b>Lunch</b>
14:15-15:30	<p><b>Panel III:</b> Possible futures – economy, politics and society (II)  <b>Gérard Kester</b> (International Institute of Social Studies in The Hague) -- <i>Migration and democracy in the economy</i>  <b>Boris Belyavskiy</b> (HSE University - Moscow) -- <i>Value determination process in the supply chain: illuminating the supplier's power resource on the case of Russian regional distributor</i></p>
15:30-16:30	<p><b>Panel IV:</b> Knowledge and educational contingency of social change  <b>Viktorii Muliavka</b> (Graduate School for Social Research - Warsaw) -- <i>Will education save the world? The role of higher education in digital society</i>  <b>Elena Berdysheva</b> (HSE University - Moscow) -- <i>Social lessons of cancer. What do stories of cancer survivors' transformations tell about contemporary society as the environment of human life?</i></p>
16:30-16:45	<b>Coffee break</b>
16:45-17:45	<p><b>Panel V:</b> Imaginaries &amp; expectations  <b>Ilan Talmud</b> (Univerzity of Haifa) -- <i>Depicting the future of the digital economy: Social devices and imagination in the performance of the bitcoin market</i>  <b>Gerhard Fuchs</b> (University of Stuttgart) -- <i>"A change is gonna come" – Imagining alternative futures for electricity in Germany</i></p>
17:45-19:00	<p><b>Discussion:</b> The alternative: Models, practices and institutions  TBA</p>
19:30-23:00	<p><b>Dinner</b> (walk on Vistula Boulevards up to <a href="#">Zachodni Brzeg/West Coast</a>, Wioślarska 10, 00-411 Warsaw)</p>

<b>Tuesday, 21 May 2019</b> (sessions will be run by Adriana Mica and Katarzyna Wyrzykowska)	
09:00-09:30	<b>Morning coffee</b>
09:30-10:45	<b>Guest speech</b> <b>Marcin Serafin</b> (Polish Academy of Sciences): <i>TBA</i>
10:45-11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00-12:30	<b>Panel VI:</b> Possible cities, possible worlds <b>Agata Dembek</b> (Kozminski University) -- <i>Grassroots initiatives for social change: reusable takeout food containers in New York City</i> <b>Weronika Przecherska</b> (University of Warsaw) -- <i>Minimalist in the city. How smart cities develop technologies and help to reduce consumption?</i>
12:30-13:30	<b>Panel VII:</b> The digital future of money <b>Marlena Rycombel</b> (University of Warsaw) -- <i>Is money diversity a solution for future financial downturns? The example of Alterka (Warsaw Community Currency)</i> <b>Barbara Kuchler</b> (Bielefeld University) -- <i>Financial markets as commensurating machines</i>
13:30-14:30	<b>Lunch</b> (followed by a walk to the city centre)