Preliminary Program

Trento, October 18th-19th, 2021
Kessler Auditorium, Sociology Building
Università degli studi di Trento
Via Verdi 26
38122 Trento
Monday, October 18th, 2021.

9:00 Registration

9:30 Jeffrey Alexander, Giuseppe Sciortino – Welcome to the Mini-Conference

Session 1: Past, Memories and Myths in Civil Repair
10:00 Lyn Spillman, Founding Moments and Civil Repair
10:30 Fiona Greenland, Satellite Semiotics and the Prosecution of Cultural Crimes at the International Criminal Court
11:00 Jose Pérez Agote, Cultural Trauma and Split Communities: The Problem of the Consolidation of the Civil Sphere in Spain

11:30 Coffee Break

Session 2: Violence and Cultural Failures in Unstable Civil Spheres
12:00 Ivana Spasic, The Retreat of the Civil Sphere in Serbia
12:30 Nelson Ortega Botello, The Mexican Civil Sphere: Between the Revolution and Political Assassinations

13:00 Lunch

Session 3: Making Bridges: Extending Civil Sphere Theory
14:00 John Hall, The Civil Sphere and the End of Modernity: Phenomenological Meditations
14:30 Liv Egholm, Interstitial Institutions. A Conceptual Development
15:00 Celso Villegas, Civil Sphere Theory and Social Class
15:30 Hizky Shoham, “Our Way of Life”: Civil Sphere, Mechanical Solidarity, and the Meaning of Meaningless Rituals

16:00 Coffee Break

Session 4: The Power of Images
16:30 Bernadette Nadya Jaworsky, ‘What do we see when we look at people on the move’? A visual intervention into civil sphere and symbolic boundary theory
17:00 Jessie Dong, The Performatve Power of Cinema: How Cinematic Realism Generates Social Meaning and Social Consciousness
Tuesday, October 19th, 2021

Session 5: Civil Performance and Social Interaction
9:00 Denis Tajic and Anna Lund, The call of ordinariness: Peer interaction and super-diversity within the civil sphere
9:30 Danny Kaplan, Performance of identity versus performance of relationships: Implications for civil sphere theory
10:00 Trygve Broch, Performative Feelings for Others: The story of Teary-Eyed Tiril
10:30 Zeynep Melis Kirgil, The Civil We – A Mixed-Methods Study of Public Addresses during the COVID-19 Pandemic

11:00 Coffee Break

Session 6: Communication and Media in the Civil Sphere
11:30 María Luengo, Theories of Post-Journalism: A Performative Insight
12:00 Stephen Ostertag, Civil Communication and the Civil Sphere
12:30 Gilles Verpraet, Configurations, Mediation et code switching in complex civil spheres

13:00 Lunch

Session 7: Pains of Incorporation and Pleasures of Exclusion.
14:30 Andrea Voyer, Zachary D. Kline, Madison Danton and Tatiana Volkova, Becoming Normal: Computational Approaches to Observing Incorporation in to the Civil Sphere
15:00 Elisabeth Becker Topkara, The Uncivil Sphere? Muslim-Jewish Triangulation in the Struggle for Inclusion in Germany
16:00 Jeffrey C. Alexander and Tracy Adams, The Return of Anti-Semitism? Waves of Societalization and What Conditions Them
16:30 Stefan Lund, School desegregation policy: increasing equality and social cohesion in multicultural schooling
17:00 Anna Durnova, Civil Sphere Theory in times of evidence-based democracies: insights from public framing of expertise
17:30 Jeffrey Alexander, Peter Kivisto, Giuseppe Sciortino - Where do we Go from Here?

19:00 Social Dinner