

Riot, Rebellion, Resistance, Repression: Representations of and Responses to Protest, Policing, and Power Since 1900

April 8–10, 2020

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Day One – Wednesday 8 April

**Registration – Graduate School Atrium, Ellen Wilkinson Building,
University of Manchester
Registration open: 15:00 – 18:00**

**Opening Event and Drinks Reception: 18:00 – 21:00 (open to public)
Sponsored by the SVRN Policing and Protest Working Group**

Author and activist **KRISTIAN WILLIAMS** will be giving a talk in response to a screening of the film *Showdown in Seattle: Five Days That Shook the WTO*. Produced by the Independent Media Group, *Showdown in Seattle* captures the events of the 1999 World Trade Organisation Summit in Seattle, WA, and the large scale protest actions that brought the summit to a premature close. Kristian will be discussing the policing of the action, and the development of mass policing tactics after the summit. There will be time for a Q&A after the talk, as well as a drinks reception. **ALL ARE WELCOME.**

Day Two – Thursday 9 April

Registration – 08:30 – 09:30

**Opening Keynote – Dr. Laurence Cox, Maynooth University
09:30 – 11:00**

Tea and Coffee Break – 11:00 – 11:15

Session One: 11:15 – 12:45

Panel A: Policing The Housing Crisis

Chair: Alexander Baker (University of Sheffield)

Victoria Cooper (The Open University) and Kirsteen Paton (University of Liverpool)

Cant Pay? We'll Take it Away!: on the depoliticization of evictions in the UK

Travis Van Isacker (University of Brighton)

Bordering through Domicide in Calais, France

Samuel Burgum and Ryan Powell

Manufacturing Mandates: The Criminalisation of Trespass and Mobilisation of Disidentification Against Gypsy-Travellers in England and Wales.

Panel B: The Story of Prisons: Political Prisons, Writing, and Representation

Chair:

Riddhi Pandey (Graduate Institute, Geneva)

(Un)Free Writings: Resistance through Practices of Writing under Incarceration in India

Uygar Alt'nok (Bilkent University)

Populist Narrative and Representation of Civil Death and Political Violence in Ulucanlar Prison Museum

Gökhan Şensönmez (Bilkent University)

Punished by the 'Beloved State': Trauma Narratives of Incarcerated Far-Right Nationalists in Turkey

Panel C: Forms of Protest: From the Streets to the Status Update

Chair:

Michael Rauszer (University of Warsaw)

Populism Against Popular Protest: Political Reaction to Anti-Government Protest in Poland since 2015

Zoe Russell

The Criminalisation of Dissent: A Gramscian Analysis of Public Online Discourses

Franca Roibal-Fernandez

***Presente!:* Successful (and not so much) Forms of Protest in Post Dictatorship Latin America**

Lunch 12:45 – 13:45

Session Two: 13:45 – 15:15

Panel A: Women and State Violence – *organised by the SVRN Gendered State Violence Working Group*

Chair: Jessica White (University of Manchester)

Kirstin Monro (St. John University)

The Welfare State and State Violence

Sofia Doyle (University of Manchester)

“He Has Friends in High Places”: Mechanisms of Institutional Silencing as Violence in UK Higher Education

Mina Baginova (Charles University Prague/University of Tartu)

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Panel B: Resistance in the Super Powers: Russia, China, and the US

Chair:

Yulia Kuzmina (European University, St. Petersburg)

“Shiyes Defenders”: Long-Standing Protest Camp Under Authoritarianism

Harriet Larrington-Spencer (University of Manchester)

Contention in Lane 49: Entangling Materialities of Place with Housing Activism in Shanghai, China

Matt Rosen

The Chicago Eight, ‘the divine justice of the conspiracy,’ and the nature of magical protest

Panel C: The Pen and/as the Sword: (Counter)Narratives and Representations of Power, Protest, and Resistance

Chair:

Adelaide McGinity-Peebles (University of Manchester)

“You’re not supposed to like us, you’re supposed to fear us”: Representations of the State in Contemporary Russian Film

Hanna Grzeskiewicz

‘The Brexit Air War’: Political Messaging, Power, and the Media in the 2018 UK Referendum on Leaving the European Union.

Daniel Lees-Fryer (Ostfold University College, Norway)

#AllCatsAreBeautiful: Resisting State Power and Other Forms of Oppression on Social Media

Tea and Coffee Break: 15:15 – 15:45

Session Three – 15:45 – 17:15

Panel A: Policing the People: Protest, Policing, and Power

Chair: George Francis Bickers (University of Manchester)

Ayse Sargin (University of Essex)

Strategies for Building Resilience: How Oppositional Movements Elude State Policing and Repression

Laura Monfleur

Spatial and Temporal Policing of Protest in Cairo: From Reaction to Prevention

Cristopher Morales-Bonilla (University of La Laguna)

Police, Resistance, and Rebellion: Forms of Protest in the Independence Movement in Catalunya

Anil Kahvecioglu

Repressive Protest: A Conceptual Approach to Pro-Government Street Politics

Panel B: Special Focus: Jammu and Kashmir

Chair:

Basharat Ali (Jamia Millia Islamia)

Civilian Curfew as Counter Violence: Reflections on Repression and Resistance from Kashmir

Aarif Muhammad Khan

Child Victims of Conflict over Jammu and Kashmir: A Socio-Legal Perspective

Garima Chaudry + 2

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Panel C: The Violence of (Re)Production: Social Reproduction, Surveillance, and the Border

Chair:

Ines Morales Bernados (Surcos Urbanos)

Social Reproduction as a Mechanism of Social Control, Athens

Olatz Ribera Alamandoz (Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona)

Defying the Crisis of Social Reproduction: Practices, Lessons, and Experiences of Resistance in Spain and the United Kingdom

Francesca Barp

Terror Tactics as an Everyday Practice of a Surveilling Police Order on ‘Suspicious’ Bodies

James Ellison and Deanna Dadusc (University of Brighton)

Solidarity Against Borders: Reflections of Migrant Solidarity, Anti-Citizenship, and State Repression

Conference Drinks at KRO Bar – From 17:30

Day Three – Friday 10 April

Session One: 09:30 – 11:00

Panel A: Policing and Power: Violence and Faces of the State

Chair: George Francis Bickers (University of Manchester)

Keagan Day (Melbourne University)

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Andrew Johnson

Theses on the History of Police

Hanno Brankamp (University of Oxford)

‘Care and Patrol’: Policing Refugees and Asylum-Seekers in Kenya’s Colonial Present

Panel B: State Violence and Refugees – *organised by the SVRN Refugees and State Violence Working Group*

Chair: Shaheena Patel (University of Manchester)

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Jarlath Nolan

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Alia Nawaz

Title TBC

Panel C: Institutions of the State: The Violence of Structures and Systems

Chair:

Alex Baker (University of Sheffield)

Mapping Global Policing Regimes as Logistical Infrastructure

Carly Speed (The Open University)

A Year On Yet Time Stands Still: Critically Exploring Resistance and Repression Involving Deaths in Psychiatric Detention

David McKendrik

Emerging Forms of State Violence in Scotland: Securitising Social Policy and Reshaping Public Service

Tea and Coffee Break: 11:00 – 11:15

Session Two – 11:15 – 12:45

Panel A: The Space of the Streets: Occupation, Counter-Spaces, and Resistance

Chair: George Francis Bickers (University of Manchester)

Reka Polonyi (University of Manchester)

In Laughter, Being Louder: Creative Disruptions of Space during the Lebanese Protests (2019)

Alexandru Axinte Tofan

Welcome to the Occupation: Appropriating Counter-Spaces as seen in the Events of May 1968 in France

Priti Laishram (University of Delhi)

Understanding Songs of Resistance against Oppression

Panel B: The Digital Barricades: Digital Protest, Power, and Repression

Chair:

Mudasir Amin and Samreen Mushtaq (Jamia Millia Islamia)

Holding ‘Citizens’ Incommunicado: State Punitiveness, Pattern and Power of Internet Bands in Indian-held Kashmir

Janis Wong (University of St Andrews) and Angela Daly (University of Strathclyde)

Bringing Digital Protests to Life: How Hong Kong Protestors Bridge the Gap Between Technology and Civil Disobedience on the Ground for Successful Action

Mohd Tahir Ganie (Dublin City University)

State, Resistance, and Diaspora: The Battle of Narratives in the Networked Era

Panel C: The Environment and the State – *organised by the Environmental Violence, Environmental Activism working group.*

Chair: Abigail Bleach (University of Manchester)

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Lunch: 12:45 – 13:45

Session Three: 13:45 – 15:15

Panel A: Performance and/as Resistance, Protest, Power - *organised by the Performing Activism working group*

Chair:

Alwyn Walsh (University of Leeds)

Performance Resists: Challenging Regimes of Disimagination in Post-Apartheid South Africa

Katherine Holland

Beyond Survival as Protest

Jo Shah (Social Performance Network)

The Revolution Will be Televised...

Panel B: Special Focus: State Violence in Turkey

Chair:

Berkay Kabalay

Policing Through Subjection and Subjectivation in Contemporary Politics

Firdevs Ezgi Gunok

Temporary Village Guard Systems in Turkey: An Example of Neoliberal Paramilitarism

Tea and Coffee Break: 15:15 – 15:45

**Closing Keynote: Professor Micol Seigel, Indiana University,
Bloomington. 15:45 – 17:15**

Closing Remarks – 17:15 – 17:30

Please feel free to join us for a drink in the Students' Union after the conference has finished, and thank you for joining us.

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