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19-20 March 2009  International Workshop On The Political Dimension Of Situated Practices

B130, Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences-Pérolles II - Department of Social Sciences, University of Fribourg, Switzerland

The aim of the workshop is twofold: first, to assess how relevant and important observational studies of situated practices are to the sociological understanding of political phenomena; second, to discuss key epistemological and methodological issues in the observational study of situated practices with a focus on their political dimension. In sum, the workshop is expected to provide a greater understanding of the concrete realisation of the political order, understood as a contingent and situated achievement. The results (and their publication in an edited volume) should therefore be of particular interest to the scientific community as well as to any citizen involved in the (re)organisation of the world we live in.

The workshop will be the second in a series of Situated Practices Seminars, following the ‘Scientific Practice as Ordinary Action’ International Workshop (March 2007 - Department of Social Sciences, University of Fribourg). The Situated Practices Seminars are intended to contribute to, and suggest the advantages of, a ‘practical turn’ in the study of social phenomena.

The workshop will be conducted in English and French.

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Registration
Advanced registration (Université de Fribourg, Banque Cantonale de Fribourg, IBAN: CH5600768011004017600 / TE-203) or onsite registration. Registration fees: 40 CHF, 20 CHF (Swiss Sociological Association members), free (Department of social sciences students and staff).

Thursday, 19 March 2009

Chair: Esther González Martínez (Université de Fribourg)

8:30 - 9:30  Registration, Welcome & Introduction
Alain Bovet (Université de Fribourg), Esther González Martínez (Université de Fribourg) and Philippe Sormani (University of Manchester)

9:30 - 11:00  Louis Quére (Ecole des hautes études en sciences sociales, Paris) Vers une approche praxéologique des phénomènes politiques. L’enquête publique sur des événements
Dissertation: Baudouin Dupret (CNRS-ISP, Cachan)

11:00 - 11:15  Break

11:15 - 12:45  Christoph Maeder (Pädagogische Hochschule Thurgau) 
Negotiating performance. Human resources management as an interpretive and political practice
Dissertation: Yasmine Siblot (Université Paris I)

12:45 - 2:15  Lunch

2:15 - 3:45  Baudouin Dupret (CNRS-ISP, Cachan) and Jean-Noël Ferré (CNRS-PACTE, Grenoble)
On deliberative politics in action: A praxiological stance
Dissertation: Henrike Padmos (University of Groningen)

3:45 - 4:00  Break

4:00 - 5:30  Yasmine Siblot (Université Paris I) Les dimensions politiques et morales des rapports aux administrations en milieu populaire
Dissertation: Christoph Maeder (Pädagogische Hochschule Thurgau)

5:30 - 5:45  Break

5:45 - 7:15  Ivan Leudar (University of Manchester) and Jiri Nekvapil (Charles University, Prague) War on terror revisited. On historical contingencies of membership categorisation analyses of political discourse
Dissertation: Cédric Terzi (Université de Lille 3)

Friday, 20 March 2009

Chair: Philippe Sormani (University of Manchester)

9:00 – 10:30  Tim Berard (Kent State University) Sovereignty and jurisdiction as practical accomplishments. Reflections on praxis and prosecutions in cases of contested authority
Dissertation: Louis Quére (Ecole des hautes études en sciences sociales, Paris)

10:30 - 10:45  Break

10:45 - 12:15  Henrike Padmos (University of Groningen) The discursive construction of the citizen identity in public debates on GMOs
Dissertation: Ivan Leudar (University of Manchester)

12:15 - 1:45  Lunch

1:45 - 3:15  Thomas Scheffer (Freie Universität Berlin) Strong and weak procedures
Dissertation: Tim Berard (Kent State University)

3:15 - 3:30  Break

3:30 - 5:00  Philippe Gonzalez (Université de Lausanne) and Cédric Terzi (Université de Lille 3). Lorsque l’inconnaissance fait politique, la politisation des événements à la croisée du politique et du religieux
Dissertation: Jean-Noël Ferré (CNRS-PACTE, Grenoble)

5:00 - 5:15  Conclusion
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