



British Journal of Sociology Conference Programme

Cheng Kin Ku Building, London School of Economics and Political Science

Day One | Monday 15 April 2024

Registration and Welcome Coffee | 9.00am to 9.45am

CKK Lower Ground Floor

Session One | 9.45am to 11:15am

Climate change changes everything...except sociology? | Sheikh Zayed Theatre

- BJS editor Rebecca Elliott has invited Catherine Butler (University of Exeter), Alice Mah (University of Glasgow) and Lucie Middlemiss (University of Leeds) to speak on this panel discussion.

Women, work, and politics | Alumni Theatre

- Rosalind Edwards (University of Southampton) and Val Gillies (University of Westminster): *#ThanksForTyping... and the fieldwork: sociologists' wives' role in classic British studies*
- Michał Gulczyński (Bocconi University): *Women's Empowerment and Men's Vote for Trump*
- Claudia Peroni (Trinity College Dublin): *Workers' Experiences in Non-Profit and For-Profit Managed Asylum Systems: Insights from Italy and Ireland*
- Chair: Eve Worth (University of Exeter)

Structures of capitalism | CKK.1.04

- Jake Burchard (University of Chicago): *The Class Politics of Asset Ownership*
- Maren Toft (University of Oslo): *The alleged break-up and the contemporary make-up of family capitalism*
- Will Atkinson (University of Bristol): *The Class Structure of Capitalist Societies.*
- Chair: Sol Gamsu (Durham University)



Researching culture from multiple perspectives | CKK.1.07

- Sherilyn Deen (University of Amsterdam): *Culture, reproduction, and racialization: on the use of mixed marriage statistics as a proxy for integration in the Netherlands*
- Laurie Hanquinet (Université libre de Bruxelles): *In search of visibility: Gender and minorities on stage*
- Michelle Rabaut (University of Michigan): *"Casual Instagram" and the Digital Performance of Ease: Unpacking the Classed Logics of Photo Dumps*
- Sabina Tica (University of Oslo): *Diversity as Currency? Exploring the Commodification of Racial and Classed Identities in the Norwegian Cultural Field*
- Chair: Monika Krause (LSE)

New directions in class theory | CKK.1.09

- Imogen Bayfield (Coventry University): *Explicating a 'group habitus' concept*
- Scott Oatley (University of Edinburgh): *Using Shiny as a teaching tool? Construction of the GBCS, NS-SEC, and Wright's Neo-Marxian Schema as an open-source class calculator application*
- Nora Waitkus (LSE): *Reviving Sociological Class Analysis: Wealth, Exploitation and Exclusion*
- Chair: Sam Friedman (LSE)

Right-wing and populist politics | CKK.1.14

- Anthony Albanese (Pennsylvania State University): *Populist Narratives on Intellectuals and Expertise in the United States*
- Jesse Callahan Bryant (Yale University): *Conservatism, the Far Right, and the Environment*
- Des Fitzgerald (University College Cork): *Forest Time Nature-based Therapeutics and the Politics of Return*
- Chair: Michael Vaughan (LSE)

More than human sociology | CKK.1.15

- Massimo Airoidi (University of Milan): *Techno-social habituation: an interpretative framework for a posthuman sociology of habits*
- Kalyan Bhandari (University of the West of Scotland): *Mt Everest and the agency of symbols of nationalism*
- Catherine Duxbury (LSE): *Biological Weapons Testing at Porton Down: The Strategic Effacement of Nonhuman Animals, 1947-1955*
- Chair: Carrie Friese (LSE)



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Elite reproduction | CKK.2.08

- Rowland Atkinson (University of Sheffield): *Cosmopolitan 400: A social and economic profile of the urban wealth elite in 10 key cities*
- Per Engzell (UCL): *Birth Order at the Top of the Earnings Distribution*
- Chair: Felix Buhlmann (Université de Lausanne)

Researching structural inequalities | CKK.2.13

- Stef Adriaenssens (KU Leuven): *Sex, segregation, and regulatory backfiring: An empirical test of effects of sexual regulation and colour lines among US soldiers in World War II*
- Mariña Fernández-Reino (University of Oxford): *How do we measure perceived discrimination in surveys?*
- Jennifer Patrice Sims (University of Alabama in Huntsville) and Whitney Laster Pirtle (University of California-Merced): *Texturizing the Color Variable: The Methodological Implications of Interactions between Skin Color and Hair Texture for Racial Perception and Colorism Research*
- Chair: Anthony Miro Born (LSE)

Social violence: from speech acts to militarism | CKK.2.14

- Sam Davis (King's College London): *Police stops, school exclusions, structural racism, and adolescent mental health in inner-London: findings from the Resilience, Ethnicity, and AdolesCent mental Health (REACH) cohort study*
- Matthew Kearney (University of Liverpool): *LBGT+ and Death in the Climate Crisis*
- Salvador Santino Regilme (Leiden University): *The United States, Militarism, and Global Governance of Narcotic Drugs*
- Chair: Sarah Kunz (University of Essex)

Nationalism | CKK.2.16

- Simina Dragos (University of Cambridge): *Nationalism as a racialised system of representation: insights from racial formation theory*
- Bethan Harries (Newcastle University): *Death, loss and nationalism: the battle for Britain, industry and the 'left behind'*
- Aleksandra Lewicki (University of Sussex): *Coloniality, Race and Europeanness: Britain's Borders after Brexit*
- Saskia Papadakis (Royal Holloway, University of London): *The English North-South divide: stories of race and nation*
- Chair: Meghan Tinsley (University of Manchester)



Mobility and inequality | CKK.2.18

- Martina Beretta (University of Oxford): *The association between job search effort and social class among employed and unemployed jobseekers in Europe*
- Alexi Gugushvili (University of Oslo): *The nature of perceived intergenerational mobility in the UK, Germany, and Sweden*
- Kalyan Kumar K (University of Westminster): *The scarring effect of graduate underemployment: evidence from the UK*
- Chair: Malik Fercovic

Coffee Break | 11.15am to 11.45am

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British Journal of Sociology Editors Welcome | 11.45am to 12.00pm

Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Keynote | Ben Ansell: Who Wants Wealth Taxes? | 12.00pm to 1.00pm

Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Despite persistently high levels of wealth inequality across advanced democracies, inheritance tax rates have declined in recent decades and net wealth taxes largely remain theoretical. We argue that taxing inherited wealth is politically difficult because, paradoxically, the people who have the strongest material interest in higher inheritance taxation are those least likely to express an opinion. Instead, the political terrain is shaped by the preferences of homeowners, and their children, who have a strong material interest in lower inheritance taxes. Empirically, we evaluate this argument using original survey data from the United Kingdom and Europe. In two survey experiments, we then examine how exposure to information influences views on wealth taxation. While we find no effect of providing information about the distribution of housing wealth, preferences are influenced by primes that highlight either the participants' material interest or frame the tax critically as death or double taxation.

Lunch | 1.00pm to 1.45pm

CKK Lower Ground Floor

Session Two | 1.45pm to 3.15pm

Author meets critics: Dan Evans | Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Dan Evans (Swansea University) will be in conversation with Nicola Bishop (Loughborough University), Dave O'Brien (University of Manchester), Matt Thompson (UCL), Thirza Wakefield (University of Oxford) and Simon Winlow (Northumbria University).



Inequalities in the cultural and creative industries | CKK.1.04

- Orian Brook (University of Edinburgh): *Class snakes and status ladders? Understanding social closure and downward social mobility into cultural occupations*
- Saara Liinamaa (University of Guelph): *"You're Essentially a Piece of Furniture": Background Actors and the Production of 'Occupational Irrelevance' in Film and Television*
- Chair: Will Atkinson (University of Bristol)

Economic sociology | CKK.1.07

- Kristen McNeill (Geneva Graduate Institute): *Cultural Foundations of Financial Evaluations: Gender, Family, and the 'Ideal Borrower' in Lending to Microentrepreneurs*
- Orla Stapleton (University of Notre Dame): *Creating Social Value from Economic Exchange: A Study of Contemporary Barter among Small Business Owners*
- Chair: Nils Peters (LSE)

Conceptualising elites | CKK.1.09

- Felix Bühlmann (University of Lausanne): *How Organizational Forms Contribute to Elite Reproduction*
- Mikael Holmqvist (Stockholm University): *Elites and the Neoliberalization of Society: An Institutional Perspective*
- Chana Teeger (LSE): *Racializing Elites: Lessons from South Africa*
- Chair: Annette Lareau (LSE)

Interrogating economic elites | CKK.1.14

- Victoria Gronwald (LSE) and Johnathan Inkley (LSE): *How public is the British economic elite? Findings from the World Elite Database (WED) Project*
- Emma Taylor (LSE): *Tax Flight? Britain's wealthiest and their attachment to place*
- Chair: Christoph Houman Ellersgaard (Copenhagen Business School)



Environmental dispositions | CKK.1.15

- Luuc Brans (KU Leuven): *Fashioning a sustainable future: how the climate crisis transforms cultural field*
- Robert Dorschel (Tilburg University): *Eco-Social Class: Reconsidering Class Theory through A Case Study of Tech Workers*
- Magne P. Flemmen (University of Oslo): *Green tastes in social space: Environmentalism, cultural legitimacy, and the ascetic disposition*
- Kjell Noordzij (Erasmus University Rotterdam): *"For Normal People It Just Doesn't Work": A Focus-Group Study Exploring Popular Lenses on Sustainability Issues and Solutions*
- Chair: Jana Melkumova-Reynolds (LSE)

Beliefs, values and social theory | CKK.2.08

- Wendy Bottero (University of Manchester): *"Why do I have to do this?" 'Grudging acts' as forms of valuation*
- Mark Gould (Haverford College): *Islam, Christianity, and the Development of Machine Capitalism: The Weber Hypothesis Revisited*
- Giovanni Zampieri (University of Padova): *Saving One's Face While Saving One's Soul? The Refraction of Tactics as a Disciplinary Device in Counter-Reformation Italy*
- Chair: Aliya Rao (LSE)

Elided histories and identities | CKK.2.13

- Sara Al Khashlok (LSE): *Black-Iraqis: From A Forgotten History To Contemporary Racial Discrimination*
- Minwoo Jung (Loyola University Chicago): *Decolonizing the Global: Contested Cosmopolitanisms in Korean Queer Activism*
- Omar Phoenix Khan (University of Bath): *Agents of Coloniality: The role of the judge as a modern moral crusade in Brazil*
- Licheng Qian (Birmingham City University): *Debating Identities in Postcolonial Cities: A Comparison of Civic Textbooks in Hong Kong and Macau*
- Chair: Gala Rexer (UCL)



Power and resistance | CKK.2.14

- Benjamin Abrams (UCL) and Peter Gardner (University of York): *Resistance With and Against Symbolic Objects: Material targets of resistance and symbolic recruitment in the American Revolution, the anti-Apartheid movement, and Just Stop Oil protests*
- Rodrigo Círiga-Jiménez (LSE): *Trajectories Into Politics In The Aftermath Of Atrocity: Becoming A "Victim-Activist" In Contemporary Mexico*
- Birgan Gokmenoglu (Birmingham City University): *Theorising Time in Politics: Toward a Conceptualisation of the Political Calendar*
- Chair: Maya Adereth (LSE)

Whiteness and anti-Blackness | CKK.2.16

- Sarah F. Gerwens (LSE): *White talk: The postracial contract and whiteness research*
- Tanisha Spratt (King's College London) *Exploring the intersections between grievability, Afropessimism and 'Wake Work:' George Floyd and the question of Black non-being*
- Catherine Tan (Vassar College): *White Shaman: Healing Cultural Banality through Non-Western and Indigenous Practices*
- Chair: Aerin Lai (University of Edinburgh)

Mechanisms of mobility | CKK.2.18

- Jung In (University of Copenhagen): *Marriage and Intergenerational Inequality: Evidence from US Sisters and Brothers*
- Nicholas Martindale (University of Oxford): *Born to Command: Mechanisms of Managerial Reproduction*
- Dirk Witteveen (University of Oxford) *Class Origin Closure: Economic Advantages of Elitist Occupations*
- Chair: Mobarak Hossain (LSE)

Coffee Break | 3.15pm to 3.45pm

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Session Three | 3.45pm to 5.15pm

Global and transnational approaches to race and racism | Sheikh Zayed Theatre

BJS Editor Ali Meghji has invited Gala Rexer (UCL), Jordanna Matlon (American University) and (Meghan Tinsley (University of Manchester) to speak on this panel.



Citizenship and political participation | Alumni Theatre

- Sacha Hilhorst (LSE): *The uses of corruption talk: An ethnography of legitimacy and citizenship in two post-industrial English towns*
- Jacob Lypp (LSE): *Citizenship as a practice of negative freedom: Spiritual self-transformations in German civic education*
- Andrew McNeil (UCL): *How do citizens perceive economic success? A forced choice experiment in the United Kingdom and the United States*
- Chair: Minwoo Jung (Loyola University Chicago)

Environmental movements | CKK.1.04

- Daphne Fietz (Yale University): *The problem of generational location in crisis articulation and response: Dis/continuities in German climate activism*
- Peter Gardner (University of York): *A movement rebirthed: The politics of race, boundary spanning, and the contested rise of Extinction Rebellion in the US*
- Vaclav Masek (USC): *Organic Mechanisms: Climate Justice Movements Against Extractivism*
- Chair: Rajshri Shukla (Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur)

New directions in cultural consumption | CKK.1.07

- Katherine Appleford (University for the Creative Arts): *Shifts in Mothers' shopping practices Post-Covid: Complex consumption and the loss of the shopping experience*
- Katherine Munden (University of Portsmouth): *Planning the Big Day in a Pandemic: Weddings in Crisis*
- Galen Watts (University of Waterloo): *From Outer to Inner: Emerging Cultural Capital, Therapeutic Culture, and Moral Selfhood*
- Chair: Magne P. Flemmen (University of Oslo)

Work/employment | CKK.1.09

- Lorenza Antonucci (University of Birmingham): *Platform Work as a Blessing and a Curse: The Structural Inequalities Behind Platform Worker's Experiences of Insecurity*
- Juliana de Castro Galvao (University of Oxford): *Bridging the gap between the cultural and institutional approaches to the study of cross-national inequalities in gender labor market outcomes*
- Bozena Wielgoszewska (UCL): *Gender and paid work in the pandemic – do women pay for working from home*
- Chair: Martina Beretta (Oxford University)



Morality and Inequality | CKK.1.14

- Kobe De Keere (University of Amsterdam): *Buying into crypto: a moral-cultural analysis of position-taking and valuation within the cryptocurrency market*
- Linus Westheuser (Humboldt University): *Trigger Points. Consensus and Conflict in Four Arenas of Inequality*
- Simone Schneider (University of Cambridge): *Making sense of "cheating": social norms, practices, and meanings of infidelity in intimate relationships*
- Chair: Wendy Bottero (University of Manchester)

Students, schools, and educational outcomes | CKK.1.15

- Kieron Barclay (Stockholm University): *The influence of extended kin on educational outcomes: an examination of whether cousin order and cousin group size affect educational achievement*
- Alice Bradbury (UCL): *Schools on the Frontline of Poverty: Educational Responses to the Cost-of-Living Crisis*
- Sol Gamsu (Durham University) and Hakan Forsberg (Uppsala University): *Socially distinct clusters of schools across the UK: Institutional stratification across unequal systems of education*
- Chair: Hakan Sandal-Wilson (LSE)

Memory and historical sociology | CKK.2.08

- Reem Awny Abuzaid (University of Warwick): *Narrating post-revolution Egypt archiving legal battles against hegemonic erasure and silence*
- J. Chris Bick (LSE): *The destruction of party research and decline of long-term thinking: An historical analysis of party policy development in the United Kingdom*
- Taylor McConnell (Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz): *Memory abuse: Revisiting and reviving violent pasts in post-conflict communities*
- Marta Pagnini (LSE): *Monarchs on the Move: Geographical Inequalities and the Making of Anglo-Britain (1870 – 1949)*
- Chair: Per Engzell (UCL)



Social mobility: education and aspiration | CKK.2.13

- Mobarak Hossain (University of Oxford): *Intergenerational educational mobility across the world during the 20th century: Evidence from 77 low- and middle-income and 15 high-income countries*
- Ed Penn (University of Oxford): *The double-edged sword of data in widening admissions at an elite UK university*
- Akim Said Aalou and Dieter Vandebroeck (Vrije Universiteit Brussel): *Children's occupational aspirations as caused by the probabilities of class and gender*
- Chair: Dirk Witteveen (Oxford University)

Critiques of racialisation | CKK.2.14

- Darwin A. Baluran (The Ohio State University): *The Relational Racialization of Docility and Danger: Examining How Cues of Categories Underpin Race Making in American Police-Civilian Encounters*
- Lilly Barker (Nottingham Trent University): *Prevent and Critical Race Feminism*
- Tiger Chan (University of Cambridge): *Making Sense: Desiring DNA Data*
- Chair: Scarlet Harris (University of Cambridge)

Policy and the third sector | CKK.2.16

- Gianluca Busilacchi (University of Macerata): *How to define a social policy paradigm? A contribution from analytical sociology*
- Jon Dean (Sheffield Hallam University): *Give and take: Charity's role in tackling and reinforcing inequality*
- Bridget Kustin (Saïd Business School), Anne Monier (ESSEC) and Eve Worth (University of Exeter): *Intra-class interfaces: the role of elite women and philanthropy in opening new spaces*
- Jordan Tchilingirian (University of Bath): *The structure of policy research: a bibliographic study of British think tanks*
- Chair: Aaron Reeves (Oxford University)



Diversity among elites | CKK.2.18

- Zeina Al Azmeh (University of Cambridge): *The Rise of Persecution Capital: Social Movements, Deference Politics, and Elite Capture*
- Vladimir Bortun (University of Oxford): *"I've grown up where we didn't know what we were eating tomorrow": Unpacking the impact of MPs' class background on their political outlook and behaviour*
- Katie Higgins (University of Oxford): *We can be outsiders on the inside': how elite racialised minorities address racism in white-dominated organisations*
- Kevin L Young (University of Massachusetts Amherst): *BLM in the Boardroom: Explaining Corporate Response to Racial Justice Protests*
- Chair: Chana Teeger (LSE)

Closing Keynote | Claire Alexander: Raceing the Academy: sociology in treacherous times | 5.30pm to 6.30pm

Sheikh Zayed Theatre

In this lecture, Claire Alexander reflects on changes and challenges for researching race, and for scholars of colour, in recent years. Drawing on her 2016 BSA lecture, and her articles 'Beyond Black' and 'Breaking Black' as starting points, Alexander sketches some of the changes (or not) post Black Lives Matter and offers some thoughts on the treacherous racial terrain of the contemporary academy.

Drinks Reception | 6.30pm to 8.00pm

CKK Lower Ground Floor

Evening River Cruise | 8.30pm to 10.30pm

Temple Pier

The boat will depart promptly at 8.30pm. Please note that the Evening River Cruise is a ticketed event. Tickets are now sold out.

Day Two | Tuesday 16 April 2024

Registration and Welcome Coffee | 9.00am to 9.30am

CKK Lower Ground Floor

Session One | 9.30am to 11.00am

Author meets critics: Jordanna Matlon | Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Author Jordanna Matlon (American University) will be in conversation with Ali Meghji (University of Cambridge), Gala Rexer (UCL), Tanisha Spratt (King's College London) and John Solomos (University of Warwick).



The racialised university | CKK.1.04

- Kalwant Bhopal (University of Birmingham) and Martin Myers (University of Nottingham): *Reproducing and legitimising racism in elite universities*
- Devon Goss (Oxford College of Emory University): *Telling a More Complete Story: How American Universities Narrativize Their Histories with Enslavement*
- Soumodip Sinha (Alliance University): *Students, Politics and the Nation: Re-imagining the University and its 'Publics'*
- Chair: Akile Ahmet (LSE)

New currents in the sociology of taste | CKK.1.07

- Shyon Baumann (University of Toronto): *Conceptualizing taste in sociological terms*
- Samuel Coavoux (ENSAE): *"Mauvais genre". Evaluating the robustness of cultural genres as a proxy for legitimacy*
- Mikkel Haderup Larsen (University of Copenhagen) and Mads Meier Jæger (University of Copenhagen): *From Opera to Heavy Metal: The Influence of Cultural Tastes on Perceived Status and Traits*
- Chair: Ed Penn (Oxford University)

Debt, credit, and inequality | CKK.1.09

- Jordi González Guzmán (Universitat Pompeu Fabra): *The Repertoire of Housing Contention in Barcelona: The Birth of the Stay Put Campaign*
- Ankita Rath (Lancaster University): *Food Insecurity, Labour Precarity, and Debt in India Links between Debt and Social Reproduction*
- Matthew Sparkes (University of Cambridge): *Credit scores and their uneven effects on experiences of homeownership and cumulation of housing wealth: The case of mortgage prisoners*
- Chair: Kristen McNeill (Geneva Graduate Institute)

Sociology beyond sociologists | CKK.1.14

- Matt Dawson (University of Glasgow): *G.D.H. Cole and British Sociology: A Study in Semi-Alienation*
- Anna Forringer-Beal (University of Cambridge): *Slaying the Minotaur: A close reading of William Stead's The Maiden Tribute (1885) for ideal victimhood and imperial borders in UK anti-trafficking discourse*
- Adora Svitak (Yale University): *Reading Heteropessimism: Painful Attachments in Contemporary Literary Fiction*
- Chair: Saskia Papadakis (Royal Holloway University of London)



Social change and social movements | CKK.1.15

- Karolina M. Dos Santos (NYU): *Wards of Action: Fantasy and Social Change in Newark, New Jersey 1967-1980*
- Lauren Langman (Loyola University of Chicago): *Toward Critical Theory of Social Change*
- Sherman Tai (National Centre for Social Research (NatCen) International): *Bringing the Masses Back In: Dynamics of Radicalization in the 2019 Hong Kong Protests*
- Chair: Simina Dragos (University of Cambridge)

Intersections of place and class | CKK.2.08

- Avril Keating (UCL): *Movers, Returners and Stayers: the role of place in shaping the (im)mobility aspirations of young people in coastal towns in England*
- Susanne Wessendorf (Coventry University): *Infrastructures of Care in the Context of Migrant Arrival (co-authored with Tamlyn Monson, Coventry University)*
- Tim White (LSE): *Privileged Precarity: Housing the Nomadic Middle Class*
- Chair: Nora Waitkus (LSE)

Citizenship and non-citizenship | CKK.2.13

- Samuel Dinger (NYU): *Embracing illegality? Status regularization and the production of precarity among Syrians in Lebanon*
- Aerin Lai (University of Edinburgh): *Fathering as Citizenship-making Practice: Narratives of Fatherhood in Singapore*
- Seetha Tan (University of Cambridge): *Deactivating citizens: acts of citizenship in the aftermath of protest*
- Chair: Suzi Hall (LSE)

Kinship, welfare states, and markets | CKK.2.14

- Josien Arts (University of Amsterdam): *Necropolitics of the welfare state: Single mothers' experience with welfare state violence in the Netherlands*
- Zaizhou Li (University of Cambridge): *Buyout of 'enqing', buyout of kinship: The moral and kinship negotiation in commodification and marketisation of Chinese surrogacy*
- Svetlana Ruseishvili (LSE): *Birth mobilities: understanding how mobile women navigate through the global economy of citizenship*
- Chair: Lorenza Antonucci (University of Birmingham)



New directions in social theory | CKK.2.16

- Shaonta' E. Allen (Dartmouth College): *Conceptualizing Wokeness: Oppositional Consciousness in the Black Lives Matter Era*
- Paul Jones (University of Liverpool): *Engaging with Lived Experience: Towards a Sociological Biography of a Category*
- Chair: Monika Krause (LSE)

Political economy of exclusion | CKK.2.18

- Zaheer Ali (Institute of Business Administration): *"Sadly they will try to destroy our culture, our environment and our bhaichara": Development, Indigenous Eco-systems and Pakistani Hindus of Thar Desert*
- Effrosyni Charitopoulou (Princeton University): *Paradoxes of Trust: Insights from Greece*
- Niharika Pandit (Queen Mary University of London): *Rethinking militarisation as co-constituting coloniality under military occupation*
- Chair: Laura Sochas (University of Edinburgh)

Coffee Break | 11.00am to 11.30am

CKK Lower Ground Floor

Session Two | 11.30am to 1.00pm

Elites-within-elites | Alumni Theatre

- Christoph Houman Ellersgaard (Copenhagen Business School): *From bourgeoisie to managerial class. The Inner circle of the Danish corporate elites 1910-2020*
- Marte Lund Saga (University of Oslo): *The Inner Circle and the Super-Rich: Cohesion and Political Participation in the Capitalist Class*
- Sean McQuade (UMass Amherst): *The US Power Elite: Evidence from the US World Elite Database (WED) Study*
- Chair: Maren Toft (University of Oslo)

Climate change: new theoretical directions | CKK.1.04

- Madison Renner (Harvard University): *Creativity without crisis in the discovery of global warming: Theorizing 'eventful' change in settled times*
- Livio Silva-Muller (Graduate Institute Geneva): *Becoming a carbon sink: how state and society re-conceptualized the Amazon as a climate problem and solved deforestation*
- Margaret Walkover (University of Hawaii-Manoa): *The Pragmatics of Complexity Thinking: A Sociological Lexicon for 1.5°C Lifeworlds*
- Chair: Rebecca Elliott (LSE)



Class and politics | CKK.1.07

- Adrian Leguina (Loughborough University) and Andrew Miles (University of Manchester): *Culture and politics in times of crisis. Examining the role of social class and trust*
- Anu Kantola (University of Helsinki): *The Progressive Mind: The Politics of Improperly Behaving Upper Classes*
- Giacomo Melli (University of Oxford): *Where I Stand and What I Stand For Subjective Social Position and Attitudes towards Redistribution*
- Chair: Tim White (LSE)

Social movements | CKK.1.09

- Benjamin Abrams (UCL): *The Rise of the Masses and the Revenge of Order: Explaining Spontaneous Protest and its Absence*
- Jan Ludvigsen (Liverpool John Moores University) and Mark Turner (Manchester Metropolitan University): *Generations, events, and social movement legacies: Unpacking social change in English football (1980-2023)*
- Chair: Michael Vaughan (LSE)

Solidarity | CKK.1.14

- Maya Adereth (LSE): *Corporate Law and Trade Union Strategy in the US and UK at the turn of the 20th century*
- Mervyn Horgan (University of Guelph): *Towards a minimalist theory of solidarity*
- Neil Warner (LSE): *The political economy of everyday practices in Social Democratic parties and labour movements*
- Chair: Sacha Hilhorst (LSE)

Race, coloniality and education | CKK.1.15

- Meta Cramer (University of Freiburg): *Negotiation Zones of Knowledge: Theorising Colonial legacies and research and career-making in the South*
- Tyler Leeds (UC Berkeley Sociology): *The 1619 Project Moral Panic: The Role of Cable News*
- Anna Strhan (University of York): *Shifting Contours of Religion, Education, and Citizenship in Contemporary Britain*
- Chair: Adrian Favell (University College Cork)



Digital technologies: methods and data | CKK.2.08

- Elif Buse Doyuran (University of Edinburgh): *Beyond nudge: The pragmatics of platform interaction design and Blitzmobility: Platformization and elite research*
- Anne Cronin (Lancaster University): *Accounting for data and digital technologies in contemporary cultural intermediation by the promotional industries*
- Lee Edwards (LSE): *Accounting for data and digital technologies in contemporary cultural intermediation by the promotional industries*
- Marion Lieutaud (University of Edinburgh): *Guerrilla scraping: ethical, legal and practical considerations towards a methodology for critical quantitative digital sociology*
- Chair: Nils Peters (LSE)

Artistic sociology | CKK.2.13

- Baljit Kaur (LSE): Mapping 'the Streets': *Young Women Rappers and Violence in East London*
- Gareth Millington (University of York): *Images Assisting Wor[l]ds: Black History Murals in South and West Philadelphia*
- Sophie Marie Niang (University of Cambridge): *The sound of liminality: affective listening, afrotrap and postcolonial identities in France*
- Chair: Jana Melkumova-Reynolds (LSE)

Global citizenship | CKK.2.14

- Kennedy Chi-pan Wong (University of Southern California): *Dividing Asians: Transnational Disjuncture of Anti-autocracy and Anti-racism Activism in the Age of Global Authoritarianism Resurgence*
- Sarah Kunz (University of Essex): *Making global citizens: selling citizenship in an unequal world*
- Janna Ramadan (University of Cambridge): *Standing Between Two Homelands: Investigating Palestinian-American Identity Formation*
- Chair: Susanne Wessendorf (Coventry University)

Legitimizing meritocracy | CKK.2.16

- Fiona Gogescu (LSE): *Meritocracy seen through the eyes of its champions: a comparative study of educational elites*
- Max Persson (Stockholm University): *Producing Meritocratic Belief: An Interactionist Take*
- Rebecca Wetter (WZB Berlin Social Science Center): *Legitimation of inequality: How meritocratic beliefs and perception of justice shape distributive preferences*
- Chair: Patrick Prag (ENSAE Paris)



Studying children | CKK.2.18

- Maaïke Jappens and Dieter Vandebroek (Vrije Universiteit Brussel): *Learning to navigate social space. The early development of children's 'social sense'*
- Swayamshree Mishra (Indian Institute of Technology): *Research with children: Deciphering meaning-making and agency through an intersectional approach*
- Thomas Thurnell-Read (Loughborough University): *Hush Now, My Dear One: Routines, rhythms and affective intimacy amongst fathers singing with babies and infants*
- Chair: Shyon Baumann (University of Toronto):

Lunch | 1.00pm to 1.45pm

CKK Lower Ground Floor

Keynote | Eric Klinenberg: 2020: a reckoning | 1.45pm to 2.45pm

Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Disasters have a way of revealing things. Who we are. What we value. Whose lives matter. But 2020 was no ordinary disaster. The world experienced cascading crises, all at once: a pandemic, an economic freefall, the murder of George Floyd, a spike in distrust and division, the fight for democracy. The dire situation overwhelmed our capacity to make sense of things and process the traumas we were living through. Instead, our collective response was marked by a will not to know. Drawing on his new book, [2020: A Reckoning](#), Professor Klinenberg will take a closer look at what happened in that fateful year, exploring what changed, why, and how it has shaped us for the crises to come.

Coffee Break | 2.45pm to 3.15pm

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Session Three | 3.15pm to 4.45pm

The political economy of health | Sheikh Zayed Theatre

BJS Editor Aaron Reeves has invited Nadia Craddock (University of West England), Nason Maani (University of Edinburgh) and Laura Sochas (University of Edinburgh) to speak on this panel.

Action in the face of precarity and deprivation | CKK.1.04

- Rajshri Shukla (Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur): *Victims or Challengers of the Treadmill: Analysing the role of communities in energy transition*
- Digvijay Singh (Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee): *Multiple and interlinked precarities of platform work: The peculiar case of India*
- Chair: Matt Reynolds (LSE)





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Inequality and the university | CKK.2.18

- Akile Ahmet (LSE): *Exploring the influence of time and space on the daily lives of undergraduate students from multiple socioeconomic and racialised backgrounds*
- Santosh Kumar (Jawaharlal Nehru University): *Breaking Barriers: Low-Income Students and Cross-Class Integration in Higher Education*
- Francisca Torres Cortés (LSE): *The expansion of higher education in Chile: the Inheritors are staying*
- Chair: Vladimir Bortun (Oxford University)

Close | 4.45pm

Please note the programme is subject to change.