

Is there a
Ubiquity of Precarity?
Media, aesthetic and political perspectives on a contested phenomenon

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Introduction

14:00-14:30 Zabriskie Point. Or what's left of german excellence?

Panel 1 – Self-politicizations and singularization

14:30-15:30 Andreas Gelhard (University of Leipzig)
It's all just a question of mindset. The precariat and the new psychotechnics

15:30-16:00 Coffee Break

16:00-17:00 Apostolos Lampropoulos (University of Bordeaux/Montaigne)
From within precarity out, so to speak

17:00-18:00 Marie von Heyl (UDK Berlin)
Precarious stoicism vs. stoic precarity

18:30 Conference Dinner

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Panel 2 – Aesthetics and epistemologies of precarity

09:00-10:00 Katja Hettich (Bauhaus-University Weimar)
The precarious positioning of the reader in Flaubert's *Madame Bovary*

10:00-11:00 Jessica Maureen Maaßen (Erfurt University)
Analog Nomads – Vladimir Nabokov's Writing Scene on Index cards

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-12:30 Melanie Reichert (Kiel University)
No time, no sense, no revolution. Aesthetics and epistemology of lack in Simone Weil's writings on the factory system

12:30-14:00 Lunch Break

Panel 3 – Being in between

- 14:00-15:00 Roberta Astolfi (FU Berlin)
 “Liminal Zones” as the Places of Precarity (and its Double Role for the Aesthetical Discomfort)
- 15:00-16:00 Sebastian Lederle (Bauhaus-University Weimar)
 Waiting as a precarious mode of existence. Is there a relational solipsism in Luc Boltanski’s *Les Limbes*?
- 16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

Panel 4 - Transversality and affective bodies

- 16:30-17:30 Ekaterina Odé (Paris/Weimar)
 Epicurus and War: Rethinking the Affective Extensions of the Body
- 17:30-18:30 Elisabeth Korn (FU Berlin)
 Linked by the Absence of Links: Positive Precarity in the Machinic Intersection of Image and Labour

Closing Remarks

- 18:00-18:30 Kokomo. Or: What’s left of Zabriskie Point?
- 19:00 Casual Dinner