

# Altonaer Stiftung für philosophische Grundlagenforschung

## GEOGRAPHIES OF LAW: POWER, SPACE, BORDER

### **Invitation**

The Centre for Legal Theory of the ASFPG invites you to attend a workshop ‘The Geography of Law: Power, Space, Border’. The workshop will take place at the Stiftung’s premises in Hamburg, Germany on **16th–18th May, 2014** beginning at 4.15 pm on Friday ending about 1.00 pm on Sunday.

### **The Stiftung**

The Stiftung is an independent foundation with legal capacity under the German Civil Code. Its commitment is to interdisciplinary work aimed at basic conceptual issues and practical problems in the areas of logic and metaphysics, legal theory and applied ethics of science and technology. It is organized accordingly into three centres. Further information regarding the Stiftung can be found at its web-site: **[www.asfpg.de](http://www.asfpg.de)**.

### **The Workshop**

We want to explore particular aspects of spatial power in legal and geographically oriented research and thinking. The workshop would be something of a continuation of earlier ASFPG workshops on ‘Law, Colonialism and Violence’ but with a focus on the overlapping terrain of spatial power and legal order. It will bring together people working with interdisciplinary approaches to legal theory, politics, and social and cultural geography. One aim would be a discussion about the lack of connection between geographically-oriented thinking and legally-oriented thinking regarding what could turn out to be the same questions.

Particular topics: sovereignty, territory and jurisdiction as geolegal forms; aspects of spatial power; mobility and borders: labour and migration; colonial spaces; national and geopolitical orders; practices and technologies of violence; territorial integrity and geopolitical legality; policing the city (sea, sky, anything).

It is anticipated that participants will speak to their own work. The contact group for this workshop is Emilios Christodoulidis (Glasgow), Tarik Kochi (Sussex), Stewart Motha (Birkbeck), Mark Neocleous (Brunel) and myself. The Administrative Assistant of the ASFPG is Ulrike Horway.

ASFPG workshops are relatively informal. Making space and time for the collective work of hearing and drawing on disparate approaches to the end of exploration of the topic and benefiting each participant's theoretical endeavours is a general strategy of our workshops. The pre-circulation of papers (about two weeks before the workshop) and abstracts of proposed presentations for the workshop web site (the sooner the better) are required. Papers presented are not posted on the web-site. Modes of presentation are up to you but it is our view that power point presentations are better suited to corporate board rooms than the Stiftung

### **Travel and Accommodation**

The Stiftung will pay all travel costs within Europe (economy air/rail fares including costs to and from home/hotel and airports), a per diem of EUR 30,00 and arrange and pay accommodation for two or three nights at a nearby hotel. (We can arrange further nights at the hotel at your expense should you wish to extend your stay in Hamburg.) It also provides a workshop dinner, an opening reception and light lunches and refreshments during the workshop.

### **Invited Participants**

Peter Adey (Royal Holloway, London)	Emilios Christodoulidis (Glasgow)
Luis Eslava (Melbourne)	Zeina Ghandour Birkbeck)
Valerie Kerruish (ASFPG)	Tarik Kochi (Sussex)
Stewart Motha (Birkbeck)	Hans Lindahl (Tilburg)
Mark Neocleous (Brunel)	Maia Pal (Sussex)
Andreas Philippopoulos-Mihalopoulos (Westminster)	Anastasia Tartaryn (Birkbeck, London)
Tyler Wall (Eastern Kentucky)	Alison Williams (Newcastle)
Philippe Zourgane (Goldsmiths, London)	

### **Further Planning and Questions**

Please respond by **8th November, 2013** to Ulrike Horway [ulrike.horway@asfpg.de](mailto:ulrike.horway@asfpg.de)  
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Further planning of the workshop will follow your responses. Accordingly, if you are able to attend please include in your acceptance at least a title, preferably a brief abstract or resumé of your proposed contribution. Questions and suggestions made to the contact group going to the planning and content of the

workshop are welcome. Information and queries regarding administration of the workshop (refunds on travel expenses, addresses, dietary requirements and the like) are handled by our administrator, Ulrike Horway.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Valerie Kerruish  
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Hamburg.