

**Fernand Braudel Center Newsletter No. 33    Activities, 2008-2009    September 2009**

***I. Upcoming Events, 2009-2010:***

***A. Food, Energy, Environment: Crisis of the Modern World-System October 9-10, 2009***

**Food, Energy, Environment: Crisis of the Modern World-System**

Fernand Braudel Center for the Study of Economies, Historical Systems, and Civilizations Binghamton University

Development Sociology and the Polson Institute for Global Development, Cornell University  
 Conversations in the Discipline

October 9-10, 2009

All sessions are held in Casadesus Recital Hall, Fine Arts Bldg., Binghamton University

**Friday, October 9**

**11 am – 1 pm** REGISTRATION, Green Room, Fine Arts Bldg.

**1:15 – 1:30 pm** WELCOME

*Richard E. Lee*, Director, Fernand Braudel Center  
*Lois DeFleur*, President, Binghamton University

**1:30 – 2:30 pm** KEYNOTE ADDRESS

*Fred Magdoff*, University of Vermont, Emeritus  
 “Multiple Crises as Symptoms of an Unsustainable System”

**2:30 – 3 pm** COFFEE BREAK

**3 – 5 pm** SESSION I: FOOD, *Dale Tomich*, Chair

*Farshad Araghi*, Sociology, Florida Atlantic University

“Labor in Nature: Food, Ecology, and the Crisis of Global Value Relations”

*Harriet Friedmann*, Sociology, University of Toronto; Development Sociology, Cornell University

“Creative Finance: Effects on Food and Farming”

*Tony Weis*, Geography, University of Western Canada

“Our Ecological Hoofprint: And the Population Bomb of Reverse Protein Machines”

**Saturday, October 10**

**8:30 – 9 am** REGISTRATION, Green Room, Fine Arts Bldg.

**9 – 11 am** SESSION II: ENERGY, *Richard E. Lee*, Chair

*Larry Lohmann*, The Corner House, NGO

“Neoliberalism and the Climate Crisis”

*John Wilkinson*, Development, Agriculture and Society, Federal Rural University, Rio de Janeiro  
 “Agribusiness and the Challenge of Sustainability in Brazil”

*David Pimentel*, Ecology, Cornell University  
 "Food, Biofuels and the Environment"

**11 – 11:30 am** COFFEE BREAK

**11:30 am – 1:30 pm** SESSION III: ENVIRONMENT, *Philip McMichael*, Chair  
*Jason W. Moore*, Human Geography, Lund University  
 “A Brief Environmental History of Neoliberalism: The Perspective of the *Longue Durée*”

*Joan Martinez Alier*, ICTA, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona  
 “The EROI of Agriculture: The Usefulness of this Concept for Peasant Movements such as Via Campesina”

*Richard York*, Sociology, University of Oregon  
 “Smoke and Mirrors: Capitalism’s ‘Solutions’ to Environmental Crises”

**1:30 – 2:30 pm** LUNCH, University Union room 252, included in registration fee,  
 preregistration required

**2:30 – 4:30 pm** SESSION IV: WRAP  
*Richard E. Lee*, Fernand Braudel Center and Sociology, Binghamton University

*Philip McMichael*, Development Sociology, Cornell University

*Dale Tomich*, Fernand Braudel Center and Sociology and History, Binghamton University

All sessions are held in Casadesus Recital Hall, Fine Arts Bldg., Binghamton University

**Preregistration is required for Saturday lunch**

**Preregistration is strongly recommended.**

**Deadline: Monday, September 28, 2009**

#### **Lodging**

For those attending the conference, a group rate is available at:  
 Quality Inn and Suites (formerly Holiday Inn at the University)  
 4105 Vestal Parkway East, Vestal NY 13850  
 Phone: 607-729-6371; Fax: 607-729-6407  
 \$64.95 per room, single king, or two double beds; smoking or non  
 Deadline for guaranteed room rate is

**October 1, 2009**

Please call or send Hotel Reservation Form (below) directly to the hotel

#### **Parking**

Friday: Parking is available in the Paid Garage (closest to Fine Arts Bldg.) and Paid Visitor Lot for \$5  
 Saturday: Paid Garage and Paid Visitors Lot - \$5, or free in regular campus parking lots.

**For more information, contact:** Food, Energy, Environment; Fernand Braudel Center, Binghamton University  
 P. O. Box 6000, Binghamton NY 13902-6000, phone 607-777-4924; fax 607-777-4315; email:

[fbccenter@binghamton.edu](mailto:fbccenter@binghamton.edu); <http://fbc.binghamton.edu>

**Campus Map and Directions to Binghamton University**

<http://www2.binghamton.edu/about/visiting-campus/maps-and-directions.html>

FOOD, ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT: CRISIS OF THE MODERN WORLD-SYSTEM  
Binghamton University, October 9-10, 2009  
*Conference Registration Form*  
**Registration Receipt Deadline: SEPTEMBER 28, 2009** (Please Print)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Institution \_\_\_\_\_  
Department \_\_\_\_\_  
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Registration Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(\$20 faculty, non-students; \$10 students)  
Preregistration includes Saturday lunch

**Total amount enclosed \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Please send check in U.S. currency **by Oct. 13, 2009** payable to:  
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\_\_\_\_\_ Please guarantee reservation past **4 p.m.**

Credit card name, number, exp. date

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Fernand Braudel Center  
Conference: FOOD, ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT

## **B. Sixth Annual Fernand Braudel Center Distinguished Lecture, November 11, 2009**

The Sixth Annual Distinguished Lecture, “Capitalist Crises, the Labor Movement, and Industrial Disinvestment,” will be presented on Wednesday, November 11, 2009 by Staughton Lynd, Historian, Author, and Activist. It will be held at 5 pm in the Casadesus Recital Hall, Fine Arts Bldg. Reception to follow in the Green Room.

## **C. Research Working Groups**

Over the course of the academic year, 2009-2010, the Fernand Braudel Center will activate three new Research Working Groups. Research Working Groups are the primary unit for research at the center. They examine a single research question and typically meet for several years. The division of labor is defined by the group such that each member may address a part of the whole argument. The final product is normally a book (FBC has produced ten such publications); the work is designed to read as though written by a single author (the RWG), even though single chapters are products of, and attributed to, the individual members. The new groups for this fall will be:

### **The Americas Project.** Coordinators, Dale Tomich and Richard E. Lee

The basic question to be addressed by this group concerns the diversity, or polarization, of the long-term developmental trajectories of different regions, areas, or states in the Western hemispheres. This group will also have the unique characteristic of drawing on an international pool of members from throughout Latin America.

### **The Contemporary State.** Coordinators, Thomas M. Wilson and Denis O’Hearn

The state, long seen as the nation- or national-state, has also been approached as the capitalist, socialist, liberal, welfare, and/or autocratic state, among many other forms. However, too little scholarship goes beyond the rhetoric of a national-state that is supposedly declining due to the asserted changes related to neoliberalism, global capital, and regional markets and political integration. This group will focus on the actual status or changing nature of national-states beset by supranational forces in late modernity.

### **Methodology across the Disciplines.** Coordinator, Richard E. Lee

The sharing of methodological approaches across the humanities-social science divide shows great promise, but this is the very domain that although rich in possibilities remains both underexploited and surprisingly deficient in systematic study. This group will consider cross-disciplinary problems of methods, especially addressing the contemporary concerns of scholars seeking to break away from modes of inquiry that no longer seem to work in our changing world.

## ***II. Nesar Ahmad Memorial Scholarship***

The scholarship for 2009-10 was awarded to Vandana Swami, graduate student in sociology, for her project: “Reordering Landscape: Spatial Technologies of Railroad Construction in Nineteenth-Century Colonial India.”

Below is application information for 2010-2011

Fernand Braudel Center for the Study of Economies, Historical Systems, and Civilizations  
Binghamton University



### **NESAR AHMAD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Syed Nesar Ahmad, a graduate student in sociology at Binghamton University, was killed on September 5, 1986 in the attempted hijacking of Pan Am flight 73 as it stood on the tarmac at Karachi International airport. Nesar was returning from the World Congress of Sociology in New Delhi, India, where he presented a paper on Muslim separatism in India, to the United States to defend his Ph.D. dissertation. He was a student of Immanuel Wallerstein and was affiliated with the Fernand Braudel Center for the Study of Economies, Historical Systems, and Civilizations where he was a member of the Research Working Group on South Asia studying the problem of the partition of British India and the emergence of Pakistan. Wallerstein worked closely with Nesar's widow, Fareena Sultan, to have the Ph.D. awarded posthumously and to have the dissertation published by Greenwood Press as *Origins of Muslim Consciousness in India: A World-System Perspective* (1991).

To commemorate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Nesar Ahmad's death, a scholarship has been created by Fareena Sultan and his friends and family. The scholarship, a maximum of \$2500, will be awarded once a year to a Binghamton University graduate student affiliated with the Fernand Braudel Center who is using world-systems analysis in the study of the Middle East or South Asia.

For application and information, contact:

<http://fbc.binghamton.edu/ahmadscholarshipapplication.pdf>

or

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Binghamton NY 13902-6000

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fax: 607-777-4315

**Deadline for completed applications is February 1, 2010**

### *III. Colloquium*

#### **A. The *Longue Durée* and World-Systems Analysis, October 24-25, 2008, Binghamton University**

##### KEYNOTE ADDRESS

*Immanuel Wallerstein*, Senior Research Fellow, Yale Univ.; former director, Fernand Braudel Center

##### **Braudel on the *Longue Durée*: Problems of Conceptual Translation**

##### SESSION I

*Jason Moore*, Human Ecology, Lund University; Geography, Univ. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

##### **“An America on Europe’s Doorstep”: An Environmental History of the Capitalist North Atlantic, 1450-1800**

*Juan Giusti-Cordero*, History, Univ. of Puerto Rico-Río Piedras

##### **Rethinking the Caribbean Atlantic: Ecology and History in the Spanish Antilles, 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> Centuries**

*Philip McMichael*, Development Sociology, Cornell Univ.

##### **In the Short Run Are We All Dead? A Perspective on the Development Climate**

##### SESSION II

*Eric Mielants*, Sociology, Fairfield Univ.

##### **Long Term Challenges for the *Longue Durée* in the Social Sciences**

*Wilma A. Dunaway*, Public and International Affairs, Virginia Tech.

##### **The Semiproletarian Household in the *Longue Durée* of the Modern World-System**

*Richard E. Lee*, Sociology and Director, Fernand Braudel Center

##### **The *Longue Durée* and the Status of “Superstructures”**

##### SESSION III

*Peter J. Taylor*, Geography, Loughborough Univ.

##### **History and Geography: Braudel’s “Extreme *Longue Durée*” as Generics?**

*Jose Mota Lopes*, DLLL, Syracuse Univ.

##### **Understanding the Present in the *Longue Durée*: History and the Immediate in the Work of Braudel and Wallerstein**

*Dale Tomich*, Sociology and History, Deputy Director, Fernand Braudel Center

##### **The Order of Historical Time: The *Longue Durée* and Microhistory**

##### SESSION IV

*Ravi Arvind Palat*, Sociology and Fernand Braudel Center

##### **Nomads and Kings: State Making in Asia over the *Longue Durée*, 1000-1700**

## **B. Seminário Internacional: O século XIX e as novas fronteiras da escravidão e da liberdade**

10 a 14 de agosto de 2009, Universidade Federal do Estado do Rio de Janeiro (UNIRIO), Rio de Janeiro, Universidade Severino Sombra (USS), Vassouras

### **Seminário Internacional**

*O século XIX e as novas fronteiras da escravidão e da liberdade*

Universidade Federal do Estado do Rio de Janeiro (UNIRIO), Rio de Janeiro

Universidade Severino Sombra (USS), Vassouras

10 a 14 de agosto de 2009

Apresentação do *Inventário das Fazendas do Ciclo do Café do Vale do Paraíba*, Mozart Vitor Serra (Diretor Executivo do Instituto Light para o Desenvolvimento Urbano e Social)

**Conferência Inaugural: Robin Blackburn (University of Essex), *The Century of Abolition: Sources of Anti-Slavery***

### **Mesa 1: Alforrias e mobilidade**

Inés Roldán de Montaud (Instituto de Historia del Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, Madri), *En los borrosos confines de la libertad: el caso de los negros emancipados en Cuba, 1817-1870*

Patricia Melo Sampaio (Universidade Federal do Amazonas), *Mundos Cruzados: Índios e Africanos no mundo do trabalho na Amazônia, século XIX*

Maria Helena Machado (Universidade de São Paulo), *Biografia em deslocamento: Benedita Maria da Ilha, escrava, narra sua vida (Sudeste 1880)*

Daniela Vallandro de Carvalho (Universidade do Vale do Rio dos Sinos), *“Nunca o inimigo havia visto as costas destes filhos da liberdade”: Experiências negras na guerra (Brasil Meridional, 1835-1845)*

Gabriel Aladrén (Universidade Federal Fluminense), *Entre guerras e fronteiras: escravidão e hierarquias sociais no sul do Brasil (Rio Grande de São Pedro, primeiras décadas do século XIX)*

Aldieris Braz Amorim Caprini (Centro Universitário São Camilo), *Constituir família negra entre a riqueza do café e a abolição - Cachoeiro de Itapemirim (1880-1888)*

### **Mesa 2: Dimensões atlânticas das fronteiras da escravidão**

Catherine Coquery-Vidrovitch (Université Diderot-Paris-7), *Africa and the Atlantic in the Nineteenth Century*

Daryle Williams (University of Maryland), *Cape Verde and the "Margins" of the Nineteenth-Century Atlantic Slave System*

Maria Cristina Cortez Wissenbach (Universidade de São Paulo), *Um mundo em dois tempos? O tráfico atlântico e suas fronteiras na África Central na primeira metade do século XIX*

Gad Heuman (University of Warwick), *Slave Rebellions in the Nineteenth Century: a Hemispheric Perspective*

Enrico Dal Lago (National University of Ireland), *Antislavery and Nationalism on the Two Sides of the Atlantic: In Search of Forgotten Links between the 19th-Century Americas and Europe*

### **Mesa 3: Cultura, política e abolição**

Cláudia Regina Andrade dos Santos (Universidade Federal do Estado do Rio de Janeiro e Universidade Severino Sombra), *Viajantes e publicistas franceses no debate sobre a Lei de 1871*

Luis Miguel Garcia Mora (Fundación MAPFRE), *A abolição da escravidão em Cuba e o Partido Liberal Autonomista*

Ricardo Salles (Universidade Federal do Estado do Rio de Janeiro), *Abolição no Brasil: resistência escrava, intelectuais e política (1870-1888)*

Antonio Herculano Lopes (Casa Rui Barbosa), *Representações da escravidão no teatro fluminense oitocentista*

Anna Lucia Cogo (Universidade Estadual de Santa Cruz), *Quilombos pipocam na Província do Espírito Santo no Oitocentos*

### **Mesa 4: Fronteiras da escravidão e reorganização espacial**

Jason Moore (Lund University), *'They treat the land not as masters but simply as exploiters': World Accumulation and the Political Ecology of Brazil's Sugar Frontier, 1550-1750*

John Savage (Lehigh University), *Colonial Debt and the Crisis of Legal Reform in early 19th century Martinique*

Wazir Mohamed (Indiana University East), *British Guiana and the Second Slavery: African Marginalization – The Aftermath of Emancipation*

Yann Moulier Boutang (Université de Technologie de Compiègne), *Agency and transnational perspectives*

Ângela Porto (Casa Oswaldo Cruz/FIOCRUZ), *A saúde dos escravos: doenças, discursos e práticas terapêuticas*

### **Mesa 5: Fronteiras e tráficos internos**

Hebe Mattos (Universidade Federal Fluminense), *Memória e história do tráfico ilegal de escravos nos antigos domínios dos Breves: reflexões preliminares*

Fernando Franco Netto (Universidade Estadual do Centro-Oeste), *Migração e tráfico interno em regiões de abastecimento interno no sul do Brasil – século XIX.*

Gabriel Santos Berute (Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul), *À margem da lei: o tráfico negreiro na Província de São Pedro do Rio Grande do Sul, 1826-1831.*

Edward Baptist (Cornell University), *The Half That Has Never Been Told: The Forced Migration of Enslaved African Americans That Shaped Nineteenth-Century American History*

Carlos Eduardo Valencia Villa (Universidad Nacional de Colombia), *Migración forzada de africanos y los roles de género diferenciados en la esclavitud colombiana y brasilera*

**Mesa 6: Direitos e fronteiras**

Sue Peabody (Washington State University), *Claiming Freedom: a Slave's Letter to his Lawyer*

Cristina Nogueira da Silva (Universidade Nova de Lisboa), *Não existem escravos entre nós»: fronteiras geográficas e temporais da escravidão na doutrina jurídica portuguesa do século XIX*

Keila Grinberg e Rachel da Silveira Caé (Universidade Federal do Estado do Rio de Janeiro), *Escravidão, Fronteira e Relações Diplomáticas – Brasil-Uruguai - 1840 a 1860*

Adriana Pereira Campos (Universidade Federal do Espírito Santo), *Direito, crioulização e religião*

Beatriz Gallotti Mamigonian (Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina), *O tráfico ilegal e a instabilidade da propriedade escrava no século XIX*

**Mesa 7: Fronteiras da escravidão no Vale do Paraíba 1 (14h30-16h00)**

Rafael Marquese (Universidade de São Paulo), *O regime visual da escravidão oitocentista: o caso da fazenda Resgate*

Magno Fonseca Borges (Universidade Severino Sombra), *Implantação e ampliação da cultura cafeeira e a formação do Estado nacional*

Eliane Silva Guimarães (Arquivo Histórico de Juiz de Fora), *Escravos, libertos e suas possibilidades de acesso a terra em uma região agro-exportadora (Vale do Paraíba mineiro, 1850-1920)*

**Mesa 8: Fronteiras da escravidão no Vale do Paraíba 2 (16h30-18h00)**

Carlos Engemann (UNIVERSO), *Catando as Migalhas da Mesa do Barão: reflexões acerca da composição de grandes plantéis e suas redes parentais em comunidades escravas a partir da escravaria do Barão de Santa Justa (1773- 1884).*

Jorge José Siqueira (Universidade Severino Sombra), *Ocaso da escravidão, formação do capitalismo e exclusão social no Vale do Paraíba Fluminense: notas de um projeto de pesquisa*

Mariana de Aguiar Ferreira Muaze (Universidade Federal do Estado do Rio de Janeiro), *Família e relações familiares na classe senhorial oitocentista*

**Conferência de encerramento: Dale Tomich (Fernand Braudel Center, Binghamton University), *Vassouras Ontem e Hoje: Revisitando a Obra de Stanley J. Stein***

**IV. Distinguished Lecture**

The Fifth Annual Distinguished Lecture, "Refiguring Imperial Terrains: On Comparison, Graduations of Sovereignty, and Ruination," was presented on November 6, 2008 by Ann Laura Stoler, Willy Brandt Distinguished University Professor of Anthropology and Historical Studies at The New School in New York.

## ***V. Public Lectures***

Zhandarka Kurti (Sociology, Binghamton University), “‘Una Nueva Raza’: Mapping the Representations of Childhood Delinquency in Puerto Rico Late Nineteenth Century to Early Twentieth Century,” November 10, 2008

Jason W. Moore (Research Fellow, Dept. of Social and Economic Geography, Lund University), “The Age of Catastrophe in Historical Perspective: The Political Ecology of Crisis in the Modern World-System,” March 4, 2009

Herbert Bix (History & Sociology, Binghamton University), “The Israel-U.S. Gaza War and its Consequences,” March 5, 2009

## ***VI. Research Working Group***

### **Built Environments of Atlantic Slavery**

The focus in Fall 2008 was the preparation for the third “Dean’s Workshop on Built Environments of Atlantic Slavery,” held at the Fernand Braudel Center on November 8, 2008. The conference focused on the theme “Landscapes, Built Environment, and Communities in the Ante-Bellum South.” It was jointly sponsored by the Fernand Braudel Center and the Maxwell School for Public Affairs under the auspices of the Harpur College Dean’s Workshop.

Funds from the Harpur College Dean’s Workshop enabled us to bring three distinguished speakers to the campus to participate in the conference:

Walter Johnson, History, Harvard University

Edward E. Baptist, History, Cornell University

Tony Kaye, History and Religious Studies, Pennsylvania State University

In addition, Dale Tomich of the Fernand Braudel Center and Binghamton University Sociology Department also presented a paper.

About 20 students and faculty from Binghamton, Cornell, and Syracuse attended the conference.

Further, the group moved beyond its initial concern with the plantation project to begin framing a larger project on built environments of Atlantic slavery. Over the course of two years of discussion we have begun to discuss a program of research and publication that brings together the unique elements of our project. We intend to produce a collection of interdisciplinary articles that address the built environment of the Atlantic as a whole. The historical development of built environments (slave trade ports, forts, docks and warehouses, urban centers, plantations, and transportation systems) at once facilitates and constrains the transatlantic flows of peoples and goods and thereby provides a structural foundation to Atlantic history. Through a multidisciplinary examination of such built environments, we seek to reinterpret Atlantic slavery. Work in this area is typically monographic and is often concerned with single structures. Our aim is to raise the question of the built structures of Atlantic slavery as a whole, the ways in which they structure Atlantic history, and to suggest ways to interpret Atlantic history through a critical and interdisciplinary reading of its built environments.

## ***VII. Harpur College Workshop Presentations***

### **A) Science Studies**

Vandana Swami (Sociology, Binghamton University), “‘Re-Ordering Landscape:’ Spatial Technologies of Railroad Construction in Nineteenth-Century Colonial India,” December 8, 2008

Abigail Lustig (History, University of Texas-Austin), “Of Ants and Cold War Men: Historical Roots of Sociobiology,” April 16, 2009

### **B) Contemporary State**

David Nugent (Anthropology, Emory University), “Dark Fantasies of State: Notes from the Peruvian Underground,” April 23, 2009

David Nugent (Anthropology Emory University), “Knowledge and Empire: The Social Sciences and U.S. Imperial Expansion

Vivek Chibber (Sociology, New York University), “Beyond Gerschenkron: The State in Late Development,” May 8, 2009

## ***VIII. Review***

### XXXI, 4, 2008

Charles Lemert & Sam Han, “Whither the Time of World Structures after the Decline of Modern Space”

Ken-ichi Watanabe, “Long Waves in the U.S. Economy: The Dating of Long Waves in Terms of the Rate of Capital Accumulation”

Maria Lois, “Place and Marketplace: Reconstructing Sites in the World-Economy”

### XXXII, 1, 2009

#### **POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVES ON THE WORLD FOOD CRISIS**

Philip McMichael, Special Editor

Philip McMichael, “Interpreting the World Food Crisis of 2007-08”

Raj Patel and Philip McMichael, “A Political Economy of the Food Riot”

Lucy Jarocz, “The Political Economy of Global Governance and the World Food Crisis: The Case of the FAO”

Shalmali Guttal, “New and Old Faces of Hunger: Cambodia, Timor Leste, and Food Crises”

John Wilkinson, “The Emerging Global Biofuels Market”

Farshad Araghi, “Accumulation by Displacement: Global Enclosures, Food Crisis, and the Ecological Contradictions of Capitalism”

### XXXII, 2, 2009

Immanuel Wallerstein, “Braudel on the *Longue Durée*: Problems of Conceptual Translation”

Fernand Braudel, “History and the Social Science: The *longue durée*”

## ***IX. FBC co-sponsored conferences***

### **Repensando a Plantation: paisagens simbólicas, sociais e materiais**

cosponsored by LHA/PPGAS, Museu Nacional/UFRJ, and Fernand Braudel Center  
May 4-5, 2009, Museu Nacional, Rio de Janeiro

programação

Segunda-feira, 4 de maio | Terça-feira, 5 de maio

09.30

#### **Abertura:**

**Flávio Gomes (LAH/UFRJ)**

**Dale Tomich (Binghamton University/Professor-Visitante CAPES/PPGAS/MN/UFRJ)**

14.00

#### **Mesa 2: Cartografias Alternativas**

##### **Robert Slenes (Unicamp)**

*A descida de um ‘grande arco’: taxas diferenciais de alforria, mobilidade social e a formação de identidades entre escravos, libertos e negros livres no Sudeste (1791-1888)*

**Maria Helena Machado (Departamento de História, FFLCH/USP)**

*Agência e Culturas de Plantation: A década de 1880 e a organização dos movimentos de escravos*

**Luiz Nicolau Parés (UFBA)**

*O processo de criouliização no Reconcavo baiano*

10.00

#### **Mesa 1: Repensando o Modelo**

**Moacir Palmeira (PPGAS/MN/UFRJ)**

*Plantation: transformações de um modelo*

**Dale Tomich (Binghamton University/Professor-Visitante CAPES/PPGAS/MN)**

*Plantation Perspectives: New Approaches to Atlantic History*

**Flávio Gomes (LAH/UFRJ)**

*Nas margens da plantation: doações de terra e economia própria de escravos e libertos (Vale do Paraíba e Norte Fluminense, 1840-1895)*

16.00

#### **Mesa 3: Paisagens em Movimento**

**Juan Giusti (Universidad de Puerto Rico)**

*Repensando las Antillas Hispanas en los siglos XVII-XVIII: mas allá del paradigma de “isla azucarera”*

**José Sérgio Leite Lopes (PPGAS/MN/UFRJ)**

*O ponto de vista dos operários da parte industrial da plantation açucareira sobre o seu trabalho*

**Maria Dulce Gaspar (Arqueologia, Museu Nacional/UFRJ)**

*Cultura material, cotidiano e possibilidades arqueológicas nas fronteiras da plantation: sitio*

*Macacu 4 no recôncavo*

*da Guanabara*

## ***X. Visiting Research Associates***

Aykut Kilic, Oct. 2008-Jan. 2009, Humanities and Social Sciences, Istanbul Technical University

## *XI. ASA Political Economy of the World-System Section Annual Conferences*

### **A) Call for Papers**

Political Economy of the World-System XXXIVth Annual Conference  
Land Rights in the World-System

Florida Atlantic University  
Boca Raton and Davie, Florida  
April 22-24, 2010

At the 7<sup>th</sup> World Social Forum in Nairobi, Kenya activists from around the world gathered in the interest of global justice. A central theme of this meeting was struggles over land rights, both urban and rural. Joined together under one banner were organizations for urban housing, slum dwellers and farmers rights, and land for pastoralists. Yet in sociology, rural and urban have remained separate sub-disciplines. World-systems thought has approached both urban and rural questions historically and addressed them contemporaneously, yet less often brought urban and rural together in a single meeting. We suggest that the disintegration or at least the large changes in the capitalist world-system requires new ways of thinking about the struggles and demands for land and space and call for papers that qualify under the following sub-themes:

#### Sub-Theme #1: Histories of Land Rights and Ownership

How have historical patterns of land acquisition and urbanization in specific world regions contributed to global inequalities? What are some of the significant struggles over land within and between nations or past empires that have current impact or that inform our contemporary condition? How are important features such as race and gender inscribed into the structure of ownership historically and at the macro-economic level? How do indebtedness and land ownership characterize the expansion of the capitalist world-system?

#### Sub-Theme #2: Urban Livelihoods in the World-systems

When and where have impoverished urban populations been able to claim fairer rents and more public space in relation to global economic shifts and how has this relationship operated? In the global South slums are continuing to expand in size and in number, huge populations that dwell together do not have access to basic resources. How is this an outcome of state-capital relationships, labor and commodities schemes, or trade routes in the world-system? How and why do urban dwellers depend on informal housing and work locations for survival? Are opportunities for positive change in urbanization and in the direction of gentrification in core cities presented by the recent real estate crises, global patterns of urban migration, and gendered shifts in the labor market?

#### Sub-Theme #3: Global Depeasantization and the Food Question

Under developmentalism and especially under neoliberalism, a massive number of people who were involved in agriculture with direct access to the production of their means of subsistence were expropriated and displaced. What were the historical processes involved in various forms of peasantization and depeasantization in the postwar period? What are the social and political implications of the global incorporation of formerly self-sufficient agricultural peoples into market relations? What were the processes involved in global commodification of food and global food regimes and with what social and political consequences? What are the future implications of social movements that claim food sovereignty, water rights, and indigenous rights? What are the possible futures of agrarian movements against depeasantization, displacement and food insecurity?

#### Sub-Theme #4: Land Usage in the World-System

Whether it is cash crops, resource extraction, or tourism, intensified land usage has had far reaching negative impacts on both rural and urban populations. To the extent that cash crops and resource extraction have shaped socio-economic relations in the world-system, can the process be altered or reorganized for better environmental use and/or distribution of economic benefit? Many peripheral or semi-peripheral nations dependent on tourism have experienced great changes to their ownership structure and caused population displacement, others have gained some economic benefit from it. What is the systemic impact of tourism, past and present, as a form of land usage in the world-system?

Please submit proposals electronically to both Marina Karides ([mkarides@fau.edu](mailto:mkarides@fau.edu)) and Farshad Araghi ([araghi@fau.edu](mailto:araghi@fau.edu)). Submissions should include a one-page proposal and full contact information for all authors by December 15, 2009. You will be notified by email by February 15, 2010 if your paper has been accepted and will receive details on accommodations and location for the conference.

#### **B) 33<sup>rd</sup> PEWS Conference**

##### **World-Systems Analysis and the Challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

University of San Diego, April 23-25, 2009

##### ***Global Power, Inequalities and Antisystemic Movements***

Christopher Chase-Dunn, Sociology, Director, IROWS, UCR

Roberto & Monica Hernandez, Ethnic Studies, UCB, SDSU

(Beyond) The "Triangle of Emancipation" Collective, USD

Moderator: Judith Liu, Sociology, USD

##### ***Violence, the Sacred and the Global System***

Bahar Davary, Theology & Religious Studies, Affiliated Faculty, Ethnic Studies, School of Peace Studies, USD

Enrique Dussel, Philosophy, UNAM, Mexico

Michelle Jacob, Ethnic Studies, USD

Alberto Pulido, Director, Ethnic Studies Program, USD

Moderator: Carl Jubran, Associate Provost for International Affairs, USD

##### ***Poetry Reading and Sunset Reception***

Olga Garcia Echeverria, author of *Falling Angels*

#### **Thursday April 23, 2009**

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##### ***Challenges of the Twenty First Century***

Immanuel Wallerstein, Yale; Enrique Dussel, UNAM

Introductions by Mary K. Boyd, Dean of the School of Arts and Science

Father William Headley, Dean of the School of Peace Studies

and Dr. Rafik Mohamed, Chair of the Sociology Department

**Friday April 24, 2009**

***World Regions, Diasporas and Global Transformations***

Wally Goldfrank, Sociology, UCSC

Gershon Shafir, Sociology, UCSD

John Halaka, Visual Arts, USD

***Keynote Address***

Saskia Sassen, Sociology, Committee on Global Thought, Columbia University

**Saturday April 25, 2009**

***Violence, Biogeography & Globalization: Human Evolution in the Longue Duree***

Mike Davis, MacArthur Fellow

Enrique Dussel, Philosophy, UNAM, Mexico

Daniel Ellsberg, Right Livelihood Award Winner, 2006

Andrew Jorgenson, Sociology, North Carolina State University

Moderator: Manuela Boatca, Sociology, University of Eichstatt, Germany

***World-Systems Analysis & the Challenges of the 21st Century: Critiques, Revisions, Agendas, Explorations***

Bruce Cumings, History, University of Chicago

Ramon Grosfoguel, Ethnic Studies, UCB; Fernand Braudel Center, Binghamton University

Tom Reifer, Sociology, Affiliated Faculty, Ethnic Studies, USD; Associate Fellow, Transnational Institute

Manuela Boatca, Sociology, University of Eichstatt, Germany

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