LLAKES Research Conference 2016
Growing Up and Global Austerity: comparing youth opportunities, aspirations and civic values around the world
27-28 June 2016

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Day 1: Monday 27 June 2016

11.00 – 11.15 Welcome and Introduction

11.15 – 12.30 The United States
- Millennials Rising? Class, Solidarity, and Politics in the Wake of the Great Recession  Dr Jennifer Silva, Bucknell University
- Dreamers: Immigrant Youths Fighting for Opportunity  Dr T. Elizabeth Durden, Bucknell University

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch

13.30 – 15.00 Southern Europe
- Growing up in the shadow of global austerity  Professor Carmen Leccardi, University of Milano-Bicocca
- From political disaffection to a party system change: The consequences of the economic crisis on young people’s political participation in Spain  Dr Gema García Albacete, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Spain
- Greek Young People not in Education, Employment or Training, in the era of crisis: NEETs’ social inclusion/exclusion, employability, civic values and political behaviour  Professor Nikos Papadakis, Dr Panagiotis Theodorikakos and Professor Vassilis Dafermos, University of Crete

15.00 – 15.30 Coffee Break
15.30 – 17.00  Africa
- Cross-country analysis of youth opportunities and aspirations for TVET in sub-Saharan Africa  Professor Moses Oketch and Dr Golo Henseke, UCL-Institute of Education
- Young Guns: ‘Politricks’ and the Weaponisation of Youth in the Ghetto  Dr Kieran Mitton, Kings College London
- Urban ‘expulsions and the re-making of youth cultures in the securitized state: a South African and UK comparison  Dr Jo-Anne Dillabough, University of Cambridge

17.00 – 18.00  Comparative Perspectives
- Global Angers? Becoming Adult in a Neo-Liberal World  Professor Cécile Van de Velde, University of Montreal
- The frustrated generation: The exclusion of young people in Arab Mediterranean countries from decent employment and long-term life perspectives  Dr Jochen Tholen, University of Bremen

Day 2: Tuesday 28 June 2016
9.30  Welcome and introduction to Day 2
9.30 – 10.30  Keynote Lecture: Making it against the odds: diverse strategies and successful adaptation in school-to-work transitions in England  Professor Ingrid Schoon, UCL-Institute of Education
10.30-10.50  Coffee break
10.50 – 12.00  Northern Europe
- How do young peoples’ prospects vary across Europe? - The IF EU Fairness Index  David Kingman, The Intergenerational Foundation
- The Crisis for Contemporary Youth: Young People, Opportunities and Civic Values in the UK  Professor Andy Green and Dr Avril Keating, UCL-Institute of Education
- Right and wrong citizens: the reconfiguration of citizenship as patriotic duty in contemporary Russia  Professor Hilary Pilkington, University of Manchester and Professor Elena Omelchenko, Higher School of Economics, Russia
12.00 – 13.00  Lunch
13.00 – 14.00  South Asia

- Views on citizenship and political participation in Pakistan  
  Professor Marie Lall, UCL-Institute of Education

- Youth in Delhi: Opportunities, Aspirations, Participation  
  Dr Divya Vaid, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India

14.20 – 15.50  East Asia

- Youth Opportunities, Aspirations and Challenges of Transition to Employment and Adulthood: The Case of South Korea  
  Professor Chon Sun Ihm, Sejong University

- The Changing Nature of Graduate Opportunities in Mainland China  
  Dr Liu Ye, Bath Spa University

- Changing Youth Career Opportunity: A Generational Mobility Perspective  
  Professor Sheng-Ju Chan and Professor Yung-Feng Lin, National Chung Cheng University, Taiwan

16.00  Close of conference

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