

Etudes Globales

Bonded Labour in Global perspective.

Paris, 14-16 June

The persistence nowadays of coerced labor in many parts of the world, especially in Africa and the IOW, but also in Asia and to a given extent, in the global north, reflects the complex ways in which colonialism and global capitalism interacted with on-going changes in these regions yielding a mosaic of different labor regimes. Even to this day, demand for coercible labor contributes to trafficking in vulnerable people. More than two centuries after the universal declaration of the rights of men, the French and the American Revolutions, then the official and progressive abolitions of slaveries around the world and in the 20th century, despite the ONU's universal chart of human rights, human bondage and trafficking still are widely spread around the world.

By undertaking a radical re-examination of the historical forms of labour, how they were defined and how they were practices, we expect to discuss:

- the relationship between market dynamics and forms of coercion in various regions of the world
- the various ways in which enslaved and bonded men, women, and children resisted coerced labour.
- the impact and limits of international organizations, legal institutions, and the emerging international regime of worker and human rights.

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All the sessions will take place at the EHESS, 105 BD Raspail

Wednesday 14 Salle 8

9:30- 1pm

Andreas Eckert, Rework-Berlin, Global labour History

Harsh Mander, Delhi, Jobless Growth and Unfree Labour: The Betrayals of Neo-liberal Growth

Carlos Falla, The Graduate Institute, Geneva, Freedom, Contracts and Forced labour in Kenya, 1910-1950

am 2- 6 pm salle 8

Coen Kompier, ILO, Wage theft and the receiving of illegally acquired merchandise in the global garments supply chain

Smita Premachander, Sanpark Bangalore, Bonded by Choice? Comparing Brick Kiln Workers to Migrant Construction Workers

Arthur Cessou, JNU Delhi, The evolution of labour regimes in the construction industry in Central India

Iva Capova, ENS Paris, What Does Migrating for Work Mean in Rural Bihar?

Thursday, 15 salle 4

9:30 -1 pm

Igor Bosc, ILO, Leiden, Work in Freedom project (both migration to Gulf countries from South Asia as well as internal migration in India)

Ritesh Jaiswal, Delhi University, The 1930s global depression and its impact on Indian migrant in Ceylon.

Eléonore Chanlat, PSL-EHESS, The invention of welfare in an imperial context: the policies of famine relief in the Indian Raj (1860s-1940s).

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Thursday 15th afternoon 2-6 pm salle 4

Karamat Ali and Shika Setia, The Ali Enterprises Fire - Labour Rights in a Transnational Context

Camille Buat, Sciences-Po, Paris –University of Goettingen, Migration, Caste and occupation: exploring labour practices and social relations at the juncture of the urban and rural space in the trajectories of Bhojpuri-speaking migrants in eastern India throughout the 20th century

Jan Sahas, Delhi, Bonded labour and other forms of exclusion in contemporary India.

Federico Del Giudice, EHESS, Freedom and Exploitation for the Migrant Workforce in France: the case of the Italian workers in the construction industry during the interwar period.

Friday, 16 morning 9-13 salle 2

Sameer Taware, Anti-Slavery International, Delhi-London, Interstate migrants in brick kiln industry in India

Prabhu Mohapatra, Delhi University, Formal-Informal contracts in Labour relationships

Yaruipam Muivah, EHESS-PSL, Labour Relations in North-East India with reference to Colonial Policies in the frontiers

Santosh Hasnu, Delhi University, Disciplining the Hill Tribes into coolie Labour

Friday 16, afternoon, 14-18 salle 2

Students' overall discussion

Round table Babacar Fall, Smita Primchader, Alessandro Stanziani