

2025 IIPPE ANNUAL CONFERENCE
17 – 20 September 2025, Middle East Technical
University, Ankara, Turkey



International Initiative for
Promoting Political Economy



**Immigration: Crisis *of* the World
Capitalist System, Crisis *for* the
World Capitalist System**

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17 September 2025 DAY 1 – Workshops

Conference Location: Middle East Technical University (METU) Ankara. Faculty of Economic and Administrative Sciences – B (New) Building at METU.

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Crisis of Neoliberalism in the Balkans

Roundtable. Organised by IIPPE.

9:00 – 11:30 Crisis of Neoliberalism in the Balkans in Room G102

11:30-12:00 Coffee Break

Basics and Foundations of Marx's Value Theory

IIPPE's Topics in Political Economy Workshop (TIPE)

12:00 – 14:45 Alfredo Saad-Fihno and Al Campbell in Room G102

Why China is Not Imperialist.

Organised by Political Economy of China's Development Working Group

13:00 – 14:45 Moderator Sam-Kee Cheng in Room G104

14:45-15:15 Coffee Break

Palestine

Roundtable. Organised by IIPPE.

15:15 – 16:45 in Room G102

Plenary 1: Internal Borders: The Asylum Industrial-Complex and the Politics of Precarity

Organised by Activism, Film & Media Working Group

17:15 – 18:45 Helen Brewer, Goldsmiths University in Room G104

Meet and Greet Reception

18:50 – 19:30 at the campus for everyone attending the first day!

18 September 2025 DAY 2

Thursday 18

9:00 – 9:15 Opening Greetings

9:30 – 11:15 SESSION 1

11:15 – 11:45 COFFEE BREAK

11:45 – 13:30 SESSION 2

13:30 – 14:30 LUNCH

14:45 – 16:30 SESSION 3

16:30 – 17:00 COFFEE BREAK

17:00 – 18:30 **PLENARY 2: Migration, internationalism, and class.**
Hannah Cross, University of Westminster
Migration, internationalism, and class in the time of late imperialist migration control.

Conference lunches and coffees are all served at the University Campus. Plenaries 2, 3 and 4 as well as the AGM will take place in Room G110.

19 September 2025 DAY 3

Friday 19

9:30 – 11:15 SESSION 4

11:15 – 11:45 COFFEE BREAK

11:45 – 13:30 SESSION 5

13:30 – 14:30 LUNCH

14:45 – 16:15 **Plenary 3: Displacement and the Right to Home(land)**
Cenk Saraçoğlu, Ankara University
Displacement and the Right to Home(land):
Reimagining Republican Citizenship in an Era of
Counter-Revolution.

16:30 – 17:30 IIPPE Annual General Meeting

17:30 – 18:30 Meet and greet reception

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20 September 2025 DAY 4

Saturday 20

9:30 – 11:15 SESSION 6

11:15 – 11:45 COFFEE BREAK

11:45 – 13:30 SESSION 7

13:30 – 14:30 LUNCH

14:45 – 16:15 **Plenary 4: Closing Plenary**
Speakers:
Aylin Topal, Middle East Technical University
Pınar Bedirhanođlu, Middle East Technical University,
Ebru Voyvoda, Middle East Technical University,
Moderated by Galip Yalman, Middle East Technical
University

Agrarian Change 1: Agrarian and rural class relations and struggles in G102

Social Programmes and Class Struggle: A comparative political economy to studying processes of rural transformation. Deepa Kurup; Evolving Dynamics of Sharecropping: Urban Elites, Caste, and the Politics of Land Leasing. Komal Chauhan

Financialisation 1. Finance and Development: Contemporary debates and Global South Perspectives in G107

The Role of Financial Literacy as a Catalyst for Dynamic Financial Inclusion: Focus on MENA Region. Mehdi Bouchetara; Financialization and the Restructuring of Turkey's Sunflower Oil Sector: The Role of Development Finance Institutions. Elif Karacimen; Financialization: Development Finance and Municipal Infrastructure Projects in Turkey. Irmak Özer; Financialisation and the Socio-Spatial Impact of São Paulo's Water Crisis. Tamara Zambiasi

Political Economy of Industrial Development 1. in G101

Lack of Productive Employment: Colonial Legacy and Post-imperialist Practices. Christoph Scherrer; How power dimensions explain Southern African agricultural regional value chain development. Lotta Takala-Greenish

Neoliberalism 1. Neoliberalism, Migration and Refugee Crisis in G106

Limits of migration-energy nexus: The case of Italy. Edoardo Lavezzo; Barış Çelik; Neoliberal Globalization and Brain Drain in Turkey: Unpacking the exodus from Turkey to Netherlands. Özgün Tursun; Exploring the Migration-Inequality Nexus in Southeast Europe. Georgia Paglavla; Beyond the Refugee Crisis: The Political Economy Behind the Fall of Syria's Ba'ath Party. Akif Avcı; Migration Policies of Germany, Italy and Hungary After 2015: Core-Periphery Division within the EU And Their Transformational Impacts on Labor Markets. Sinan Haskan

Social reproduction 1. From theory to politics of social reproduction in G108

Crisis of Social Reproduction in Rural Turkey: Precarious Conditions of Food Production, Farmer Indebtedness, and the Politics of Dispossession. Cosku Celik; Beyond Symbolic Gains: Brahmanical-Capitalist Patriarchy and Neoliberal Progressivism in India. Arati Kade; The new Global Economic Governance and its implications for the Gender Debate in the field of International Development. Natalia Sant Anna Tores; Social Reproduction-Access and Exclusion: Migrant Artists and Istanbul's Cultural Industry. Eren Altuntaş

Moving Beyond Capitalism in G109

Attempt of Integrated Analysis for a Complex World: Developing Frameworks for Modern Political Economy. Oleksandr Pidchosa; Volume of Transactions and Potential Monetary Base: understanding post-capitalist monetary development. Grigoris Zarotiadis; Nonprofit food advocacy organisations: moving beyond capitalism or shoring up neoliberal hegemony?. Jake Richardson; The Great Systemic Clash: Anti-Imperialist Environmentalism Amid the Crises of the Earth System and Capitalist World-System. Alejandro Pedregal

Activism, Film & Media 1: Migration, war, capitalism and documentary in G104

War, Trauma, and the Political Economy of Palestinian Documentary Cinema. Tuğçe Kutlu; Migration and the Crisis of Capitalism in Iran. Shahriar Khonsari; Homeward Bound: exploring refugees' experiences with housing through interactive documentary. Matthias KispertRm Istra

Agrarian Change 2: Beyond classic agrarian class analysis in G102

The materiality of Identity: W.E.B Dubois and B.R. Ambedkar as agrarian sociologists. Muhammad Ali Jan; Agrarian and rural analyses over time: three prevailing classic perspectives and three analytical challengers. Jens Lerche; Agrarian Change and Coastal Agricultural Workers: Livelihood Vulnerabilities in South India from a Qualitative Study. Pratheepa CM; The ties that bind: Agricultural labour in hazelnut picking and state-led regimes of informality in Turkey. Mina Kozluca

Financialisation 2. Financialised Governance and Institutions: Theories and case studies in G107

The Institutional Embodiment of Socialization of Financial Risk: Asset Management Companies in Turkey. Özgürcan Alkan; Household Debt in Turkey: Causes, Dynamics and Consequences. Berkay Ayhan; Theorising financialisation in the twenty-first century: views from the South. Mihika Chatterjee; Pro-Poor Populism or Financialized Governance? The Politics of PMJDY and PMMY in India. Pinar Kahya

Political Economy of Industrial Development 2. in G101

Varieties of African Capitalisms: The Political Constraints to Contemporary Structural Transformation. Pritish Behuria; Forging a Developmental State: Bureaucratic Autonomy and Industrial Transformation in Mauritius. Hamza Delbar; Emerging Auto Industries in a World of GVCs: Goals, Policy Strategies and Development Trade-Offs. Lorenza Monaco; Adaptation of industrial policy practices in Türkiye to 'new' industrial policies: constraints and opportunities. Emine Tahsin

Neoliberalism 2. Neoliberalism, Land, Industry and Ecology in G106

The Limits of Differentiation: Quality Discourse and Coffee Production since 1989. Carmen Elsayad; The Political Economy of Global Climate Policy-Making. Ebru Voyvoda ; The Evolution of Economic Structures and Sustainability: A Political Economy Perspective. Mattia Tassinari

Teaching Political Economy in G108

TEACHING MIGRATION ANALYSIS. Cristiane Mancini; A didactic proposal for teaching heterodox economics and confronting the dominant orthodoxy. Sergio Camara Izquierdo; Teaching Political Economy in Turkey. Aylin Topal

Social Reproduction 2 and Activism, Film & Media 2: Forms and Spheres of Social Reproductive Labour in G104

Dependency theories and social reproductive labour: A case study of Philippine migrant domestic workers in Singapore. Kevin Tan; Dispossessed Hinterlands, Accumulating Shores. Social Reproduction, Migrant Labour and Capital Accumulation across North India and the Gulf. Marek Fenners; Nurseries in times of economic crisis: When young women have to fix everything. Thomas Haines-Doran; This is essential work 2: visual examinations of the value of social reproductive labour (Activism, Film and Media). Susan Newman

Agrarian Change 3: Value chains, meat, capital and livelihoods in G102

From rural capitalists to poultry companies: shifting configurations of value extraction from smallholder commercial chicken farming in Bangladesh. Ivo Syndicus; Who produces and who owns broiler chickens? Interrogating the financial structures of industrial broiler chicken production in LMICs. Ambarish Karamchedu; Gender disparities in consumption: Exploring women's poultry consumption amidst commercialisation and religion and caste-based food norms in Urban India. Lavinia Scudiero; Power and price formation in agricultural commodity chains. Sarah Graf

Health and health care. The political economy of health in contemporary capitalism: global problems and challenges in G107

Unequal Health Systems and the Migration of Healthcare Professionals: A Case Study of Turkey and Germany. Eren Karaca; Upholding Markets and Organizing Consent: A Critical Political Economy of Regulation during the COVID-19 Global Crisis. Ipek Eren Vural; What survives from Bolsonaro's Previne Brasil in the new resource allocation model for PHC of the Lula 3 government? A study in the State of São Paulo, Brasil. Leonardo Carnut; The State-Form in Contemporary Capitalism in Crisis and the Growth of Violence in Brazilian Public Health. Aquilas Mendes

China 1. The Emergence and Implications of China's New Quality Productive Forces in G101

Divergent Governance Paths: Exploring Local Industrial Strategies in China's NEV Development. Fanqi Lin; The Political Logic of Economic Transformation: How Did "Shenzhen Miracle(s)" Really Happen?. Guanlin Wu; China and Electric Vehicles: Towards a Renewable Energy Transition. Alicia Girón; China within/beyond Renewables Capitalism. Dic Lo

Neoliberalism 3. Neoliberalism, Conflict and Geopolitics in G106

The Role of Social Assistance Programs in Addressing Income Inequality in Brazil. Nilay Onbaşı; Localization Between Paternalism and Politicization: Humanitarian Aid in Dominica and Turkey. Bilge Sahin; The Anatomy of High Inflation Episodes in Developing Economies: Lessons from Turkey's Exchange Rate Shocks and Seller's Inflation (2018–2024). Hasan Comert; Is UK's neoliberal state losing in its Whac-A-Mole Game? The Twin Crises of Marketised Higher Education and Xenophobic Immigration. Joe Lin; Yangguang Chen

Commodity Studies in G108

State Capitalism vs. Market Capitalism: How China's State-driven Economy Dominates the Critical Minerals Race Against America's Market Economy. Fatemah Naghdabadi; Buyer-driven? Apparel industry determinants from a structural perspective: The case of Turkey. Ezgi Unsal; Varieties of pricing and variations in accumulation. Susan Newman

Activism, Film & Media 3: Creative workshop: exploring migration through collage in G104

Unconventional View on Migration. Cristiane Mancini

Agrarian Change 4. Agroecology and beyond in G102

The Geopolitics of Disease: toxic mechanisms of accumulation and dispossession. Jonas Adriaensens; Critiquing green sedentarism: examining the marginalization of pastoralism in agroecology discourses in the Sahel. Liza Steultjens; Towards a crisis of reproduction? Exploring family farming and food expenditure in Spain (1980-2021). Noelia Parajuá

Labour 1. in G107

Labour Process in Logistics Service Network: A case Study of Amazon's Sortation Centre in South India. Manikantha Nataraj; Intellectual Treatments of Labour in Ancient Greece: Plato, Xenophon, and Aristotle. Spiros Kritsotakis; Temporality and Monopoly Capital: Ethnographic perspective on the labour process of gig platforms.. Vageesh Vishnoi; Industrial Scale Data Farming: User-Generated Content at Crossroads of Value and Profit. Konstantinos Nikolaros

China 2 and Varieties of Socialism 1 in G101

China in Contemporary Capitalism. Esther Majerowicz; The Political Economy of Brazil-China Relations: Reprimarisation or Development Opportunities. Sam-Kee Cheng; China and the International Order: Revisionist Power or Reformist Actor?. Zeynab Fahardi

Neoliberalism 4. Neoliberalism and Fascism in G106

Authoritarianism in the era of Financialisation. Galip Yalman; Rethinking Neoliberalism, Crisis, and State Transformation in Long Durée. Pinar Bedirhoğlu; A Blue Kind of Control: Policing the Protests in Ciudad de México. Taşkın Toprak İpek

World Economy 1. The Peripheries in the New Global Order in G108

Underreported capital flows from China to Venezuela between 2001 and 2021: the emerging of a dual economy. Leonardo Segura Moraes; The Political Economy of Energy Transition: A critical analysis of FDI in Brazil and the value chain of renewable energy. Tomás Marques; Unequal Exchange and the place of Russia in Global Economy. Oleg Komolov; The Political Economy of Energy Transition: A critical analysis of FDI in Brazil and the value chain of renewable energy. Johannes Jäger

Marxist PE 1. Money and Rent in G109

Formation and appropriation of ground-rent in the Brazilian economy between 2010 and 2023. Raquel Azevedo; On the Hoard of Money. C Saratchand; World money and national currencies. Nicolás Aguila; A new wave of debates on the nature and ontology of money: Cryptocurrencies, MMT, The Money View, and Social Positioning. A Marxist critique. Nikos Pontis

Activism, Film & Media 4. Creative approaches to algorithmic surveillance, neoliberalism and climate change in G104

Dead Glitch. Maja Funke; While the Nation Went Bankrupt. Nathaniel Sullivan; Dance of the Seasons. Garrabost Jayalakshmi

Labour 2. in G107

Unseen and Unprotected: Labour Laws and Migrant Workers in Indian. Md Shamshe Alam; Migrant Labour and the Green Economy. Recomposing workforces in the industrial transition in the Lusatia region (East Germany).. Stephan Liebscher; Home-Based Craft Production and Rural Political Economy in Contemporary Balochistan. Hammal Aslam; Turkey's Migrant Labor Policies and Its Role as a Buffer State in Global Capitalism. Hatice Hande Orhon Ozdag

China 3. China's Going Out in G101

China's Evolving Foreign Policy in An Era of Geopolitical Competition. Xinwen Zhang; China's Path to Sustainable Development through Going Global Strategy. Francesco Macheda; The Impact of Talent Migration on Hong Kong's Economy and Its Role in the BRI during the Crisis of the World Capitalist System. Natalia Chaplynska

Neoliberalism 5. Sanctions: Theory and Practice in G106

United States Economic Sanctions on Japan prior to WWII: A Practice Theory Approach. Mona Izadi; Industrial Policy Under Economic Sanctions: A Conceptual Exploration. Barzin Jafartash Amiri; International Sanctions and Internal Conflict: The Case of Iran. Mohammad Reza Farzanegan; The Impact of Economic Sanctions on the Paradigm Shift from "Student Mobility" to "Student Migration": A Case Study of Iran. Bahram Salavati Sarcheshmeh

World Economy 2. How to Confront Contemporary Imperialism in G108

Debt, Austerity, and Structural Violence: Challenging IMF Governance and Reimagining Global Financial Sovereignty. Rea Maci; Crisis of neoliberal capitalism and relative overpopulation. Rubens Sawaya; Money, currency and Imperialism: The New Development Bank as a mean of overcoming the US dollar hegemony. Sofia Manzano; Reckoning with Empire: The Imperial Foundations of the Global Polycrisis and the Case for Truth-Telling. Asha Herten-Crabb

Marxist PE 2. Value, knowledge-intensive commodities, Financialization, and Crises in G109

Wear and tear', 'moral depreciation', and the value-determinations of knowledge-intensive commodities: Recovering Marx's original ideas. Luis Arboledas-Lérida; Marx Versus Keynes: A Value-Oriented Analysis of the Crises of the 21st Century. Adem Açar; Financialization and the Rise of Intangible Capital: Rethinking the Theory of Value. Tansel Güçlü

Activism, Film & Media 5: Reenacting historic labour struggles in Spain in G104

11 Underground. Arturo Delgado Pereira

Agrarian Change 5. Extractivism, politics and agrarian change under neoliberalism in G102

Accumulation, extractivism and dispossession in contemporary Zimbabwe. Mbuso Moyo; Subjectivity, extraction, and indigeniety: territory, temporalities, and the Amazonian oil complex in Peru. Luis Andueza; State, Capital, and Land: Transformations in Agricultural Policies and Class Relations under Neoliberalism in the Global South. Özge Demirel

Labour 3. in G107

Lack of Productive Employment: Colonial Legacy and Post-imperialist Practices. Christoph Scherrer; Invisibilized work: Gendered labor in south India's home-based care industry. Sreerekha Sathi; Collective labour organisation in the Turkish garment industry: neoliberal labour regimes, patriarchal ideologies and (women) workers' experiences. Ayşe Arslan

Urban and Regional. in G101

Urban Agriculture as Resistance: A Case of Community Gardening. Oyku Safak-Cubukcu; State Production Farms as Production of Nature. Onur Lami Yalman; Rental Housing in Crisis: Financialization, Affordability, and State Policy in Turkey. Havva Ezgi Dogru; A radical / geographical political economy analysis of capital flows in construction and tourism: the case of the Eu-Mediterranean South. George Sykas; Analyzing the Neoliberal Housing Policy in Turkey: TOKI and the Making of the Indebted. Özlem Bülbül

Environment 1. Reflections on Ecological Marxism, Climate Justice and Imperialism in G106

Mobilising against the ecological costs of imperialism and war. Feyzi Ismail; Plurality and theoretical heterogeneity of ecological Marxism. William Sacher ; Paul Cooney

World Economy 3. Trumps Policies and the Transformation of the Imperial Order in G108

THE ECONOMIC STRATEGY OF THE TRUMP SECOND ADMINISTRATION AND ITS IMPACT ON NORTH AMERICA. Juan Arturo Guillen Romo; Competing hegemonic projects in the current global conjuncture. Morten Ougaard; Initial effects of the Trump administration on the global economic situation and prospects. Abelardo Mariña-Flores; Late Neo-Liberalism and Black Migration through Mexico. Murrell Brooks; WHY NOT TO SOLVE THE MIGRATION ISSUE IN THE MENA REGION?. Ekin Onsan

Marxist PE 3. The rate of profit, and connected variables in G109

Tracing the Intermediate Steps of the Process: The Continuous Crisis of Capitalism and the Current Account Deficit in Turkey. Gizem Şimşek; Analysis of the Tendency of Profit Rate to Fall and Counter Tendencies: Evidence from Turkish Manufacturing Sector, 1988-2020. Ekin Değirmenci; Rethinking Financialization Through the Actuality of the Law to the Tendency of the Rate of Profit to Fall. Mert Miraç Dündar; Connections among, rate of profit, surplus value and the sector composition of the labor force; comparing two approaches to estimating surplus value. Victor Kasper

Activism, Film & Media 6: US – radioactive fallout and white male right-wing culture in G104

What Travelers Are Saying About Jornada del Muerto. Hope Tucker; Land Hacks (Red vs. Blue-State Culture War Profiting). John Caldwell

Agrarian Change 6: State, capital and farmers: food and farm policy in G102

Alliances of Convenience: The Political Economy of Ultra-Processed Food Supply Chains in Ghana. Fiorella Picchioni; Hashash; Cereal production and state control: elite farmers' push for reform in Algeria's agrarian system. Rym Talhouk; The political economy of large-scale agricultural investments in Ethiopia: A comparative study of foreign and domestic capital. Christine Bosch

Environment 2. Ecological transition and justice in practice in G106

PUBLIC LAND GRABBING IN TURKEY: THE CASE OF GREEN ROAD PROJECT. Melek Mutioglu Ozkesen; Revisiting the EU-China Collaboration-Competition Nexus: Between Economy, Geopolitics, and Nature. Sirma Altun; Producing the Mobility Transition: Industrial Conversion at the Steyr Automotive Plant. Lukas Cserjan G101

World Economy 4. Human rights, fascism and migration in G108

Crisis, State, and Authoritarianism and Fascism: In Search of Marxist Approaches. Gonenc Uysal; Class Fractions, Power Bloc and Confrontation of the Brazilian Dictatorial State. Milton Pinheiro; Brazilian Modernization, Class Interest and State - Foreign Capital in the Transition of the Bourgeois-Military Dictatorship. Leonardo Silva Andrada

Marxist PE 4. in G109

Poverty and its reproduction in the capitalist state form: Non-contributory transfers in Argentina in 2010-2023. Firat Duruşan; Advancing a political economy of culture within a class-theoretical approach. Ismail Doga Karatepe; Evaluating the Differences Within the Working class in the Context of the Reproduction of Labour Power. Ali Özkesen; A Feudal Regression? A Review of the Technofeudal Hypothesis in the Context of the Transition Debate. Karl Patrick Norberg

Activism, Film & Media 7: Chinese feminist art and refugee lives in Türkiye in G104

China in the context of the global capitalist system: Self-identity in female art. Lin Cheng; Journey of Hope. Tolga Gürocak