

International Workshop

Inequalities and Power Struggles in Contemporary Brazil: Divides, Narratives, Scenarios

The media has been mostly treating the contemporary crisis in Brazil as a consequence of corruption scandals ignoring the connections between political changes and transformations in the social structure. The aim of this workshop is to analyze the current political struggles in Brazil as expressions of broader conflicts, in particular, distributive disputes, while also observing the polarization in attempts to define the dominant narrative about what is at stake.

We are inviting scholars engaged with understanding contemporary Brazil from a wide range of perspectives, and disciplines, including political philosophy, sociology, economy, law, gender studies, urban and rural studies, cultural studies and environmental anthropology.

This workshop is part of a seminar project developed with master students enrolled at the Institute of Sociology and the Institute of Latin American Studies of the Freie Universität Berlin. The students will chair the sessions and comment on the presentations.

9 June 2017 || 9 a.m.- 6:30 p.m. || Lateinamerika-Institut, Freie Universität Berlin ||
Rüdesheimer Str. 54-56, 14197 Berlin || Room 201

This event is public and free of charge, a previous registration is not required.

Programme

Time	Panel	Panelists
9:00 Welcome Address		
9:15 – 11:00 am	The impeachment: distributive conflict or struggle for political survival?	Marcos Nobre (Unicamp/CEBRAP, Campinas/ São Paulo), Sérgio Costa (FU Berlin)
11:00 - 11:15 am Coffee break		
11:15 - 1:15 pm	From Rousseff to Temer, From Temer to ...: Visible Impacts in Social Structure?	Alfredo Saad Filho (Univ. of London), Barbara Fritz (FU Berlin), Lena Lavinias (UFRJ, Rio de Janeiro, WIKO Berlin)
1:15 - 2:15 pm Lunch break		
2:15 - 4:15 pm	Violence at Home, Struggles at the Streets: Racial, Gender and Spatial Reconfigurations	Elaini da Silva (PUC, São Paulo), Valter Roberto Silvério (UFSCAR, São Carlos), Frank Müller (University of Amsterdam)
4:15 – 4:30 pm Coffee break		
4:30 – 6:30 pm	Socio-Environmental Conflicts, Ruralities and Gender	Renata Motta (FU Berlin), Andrea Zhouri (UFMG, Belo Horizonte), Fabio de Castro (CEDLA, Amsterdam)