Social Solidarity Economy & the Commons

International Conference Iscte 2023

3rd International Conference
Decolonizing the Solidarity Economy and Commons:
Enacting the "Pluriverse"

PROGRAMME

Venue: Iscte - University Institute of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal

Date: 8th-10th November 2023 (Presential)

Organisers: Centre for International Studies (CEI-Iscte) – Instituto Universitário de Lisboa (Iscte) (Portugal); Centre for Social Studies (CES) - University of Coimbra (Portugal); ITES/UFAL -Incubator of Solidarity Economy at the Federal University of Alagoas (Brazil); Institute for Social Justice, York St John University (UK); Institute for Ecological Economics - Vienna University of Economics and Business (Austria)

Legend   T = Theme | S= Session | WS = Workshop | PP = Panel

SSE'2023 Thematic Fields

- **T1. Criticisms of modernity, post-material worldviews and their contribution to social movements** and initiatives promoting solidarity economy and the commons;
- **T2. Indigenous epistemologies and popular knowledges** (epistemologies of traditional peoples and communities);
- **T3. Ongoing tensions between transformation and cooptation in solidarity economy and commons-based initiatives and movements** (including cultish or other forms of authoritarian dynamics based on charisma, spiritual/ideological creed or the spread of disinformation, including those of ethnonationalist, backlash social movements, reactionary and anti-democratic movements);
- **T4. Contributions of solidarity economy, commons and community-led initiatives to emancipatory movements, deepening democracy as well as civil society-led strategies of "soft power"** in international, regional and local relations;
- **T5. Contributions of knowledge, technologies and organisational forms, developed within solidarity economy, commons and community-led initiatives, to biopolitical forms of social control** (i.e. "technologies of the self"), as well as state-led strategies of "soft power" in international, regional and local relations.
- **T6. Structural Inequalities and the challenges faced by minorities and other disadvantaged groups** in the pursuit of environmental and social justice through solidarity economy and commons-based initiatives and movements. These include inequalities and challenges enhanced by the "green gentrification" that is often unintentionally caused by the presence of such initiatives, as well as state-led urban and rural planning strategies for sustainability based on commons and commoning.

Quick Links

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

8 November 2023 - DAY 1

08:30 - 09:30 - Registration and Coffee

9:30 – 10:15: OPENING SESSION | Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)
Prof. Dr. Maria de Lurdes Rodrigues, Dean, Iscte - University Institute of Lisbon
Prof. Dr. Ana Mónica Fonseca, CEI-Iscte
Prof. Dr. Ana Margarida Esteves (On behalf of the Steering Committee of the conference)

10:15-10:30: Break

10:30-12:30: PARALLEL PAPER/WORKSHOP SESSIONS

T1. S1 | Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)
- Deniz Nihan Aktan (Scuola Normale Superiore, Italy) *"Queer Commons": Safe-r spaces versus commoning practices*
- Alessandra Drigo (Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy) *Income, Ethnicity and PM2.5 Exposure: Uncovering Inequities in Bologna, Italy.*
- Mario Yanez (ISCTE-IUL, University of Lisbon, Portugal) *The Self-Organizing Bioregion: Cultivating regenerative knowledge commons for enabling transformative ecosystems*
- Noortje Keurhorst (University of Vigo, Spain) *Commoning through destruction: the case of the Galician monte and the Brigadas Deseucaliptadoras*

T4. S1 | Room C2.05(Building 2, 2nd Floor)
- Leonardo Leal (Universidade Federal de Alagoas, Brazil) *Participatory Democratic Governance in Social Movement Organizations: A Comparative Analysis of Solidarity Finance Organizations in Brazil and Spain.*
- Taru Salmenkari (University of Helsinki, Finland) *Other economies that support Chinese activism*
- Jukka Peltokoski (KSL Study Center, Finland) *Municipalism in Finland – or its possibility*
- Michael Emru Tadesse (ASTRA, University of Bozen, Bolzano, Italy) *The Social Solidarity Economy of People of African Descent in Europe: A Systematic Scoping Review*

WS1 | Room C4.05 (Building 2, 4th Floor)
Lito Skopeliti (Hellenic Open University, Greece) *Alternative Economies; A Multiverse of Practices*

12:30-14:00: Lunch Break

14:00-15:30: KEYNOTE ROUNDTABLE 1 | Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)
 "Enacting the 'Pluriverse' - Worldviews"
 Gladys TzulTzul (Guatemala)
 Prof. Jeffrey Kripal (Rice University, USA) *Online*
 Moderator:Tom Henfrey

15:30-16:00: Coffee Break | Atrium (Building 2, 1st Floor)

16:00-18:00 – PARALLEL PAPER/WORKSHOP SESSIONS

T3. S1 | Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)
- Denise Gibran Nogueira (Queensland University of Technology, Australia) *Understanding dynamics of emancipation and co-optation in social finance ecologies: The case of alternative food networks*
- Andrés Spognardi (CES - University of Coimbra) *The Battle Against Food Waste in Portugal: From Grassroots Activism to Collaborative Policymaking*
- Pedro Hespanha (CES, University of Coimbra, Portugal); Paz Moreno Feliu (Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia de Madrid, Spain); Eber Hernadez (ECOSOL-CES, University of Coimbra, Portugal) *The Communal Lands and Their Communities in the Northwest of the Iberian Peninsula: strengths and threats*
- Esther F. Jansen, Giuseppe Feola, Flor Avelino and Kristina Bogner (Copernicus Institute of Sustainable Development, Utrecht University, The Netherlands) *Unpacking the Critical Turn in Sustainability Transitions Research in relation to Climate Justice – a theoretical reflection*

T5. S1| Room C2.05 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)
- Joana Salles (University of Manchester, UK) *Ageing-in-place in a gentrifying neighbourhood: co-producing knowledge with older people through community-based filmmaking.*
- Molly Anderson (Middlebury College, USA) *Teaching the Pluriverse*
- Antonio Moya-Latorre (Cornell University, USA) *Tinkering Ethnographies Pursuing Celebratory Insurgency as Researchers-Organizers*
- Adriene Jenik (Arizona State Universit*y, USA) The ECOtarot: innovating a regenerative cultural practice*

T2. S1 Auditorium ONE-02 Caiano Pereira (Building 1, 0 Floor)
- Mariana Anginho Évora, Sónia Pintassilgo and Violeta Alarcão (CIES-ISCTE-IUL, University of Lisbon, Portugal) *Can the Colonizer Decolonize? Ethical and Methodological Dimensions of a Research Project with Ethnic Minorities in Colombia*
- Ângela Lacerda-Nobre, Rogério Duarte, Rafael Pérez (Polytechnic Institute of Setúbal, Portugal) and Marc Jacquinet (Universidade Aberta, Lisbon, Portugal) *Zapatism, abolitionism and anarchism – Michel Henry: a phenomenological approach to political economy*
- Victoria Kairumba and Maya Burke (Black Earth Farmers, USA) *Burungu: Mutooro Cooperative Agriculture in Post-Colonial Uganda, 1960s-1980s*
- John Clammer (Delhi Art Collective and O.P. Jindal Global University, India) *Art and Solidarity Economy: Imagining and Creating the Post-Colonial/Post-Modernity Pluriverse*

PP2 | Room C4.05 (Building 2, 4th Floor)
Liberation Conversations: To Imagine and Build

> 1) Rantsho A. Moraka (University College London, UK and University of Pretoria, South Africa) *Epistemological (Be)Longings*
> 2) Melanie E L Bush (Adelphi University, USA) *Pluriversal and Decolonized Economies and Technologies*
> 3) Nokuthula Hlabangane (UNISA University of South Africa) *A single bangle does not jingle: the twinning imperative of ubuntu*

19:00-22:00 – FILM SCREENING, FOLLOWED BY Q&A SESSION WITH THE DIRECTOR | Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)
"Empire Me: New Worlds Are Happening" – Paul Poet (Vienna, Austria)
Austria | Germany, Luxembourg | 2011 | 99:00 min
Moderator: Ana Margarida Esteves

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9 November 2023 - DAY 2

9:00-10:30: KEYNOTE ROUNDTABLE 2 | Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)
"Enacting the 'Pluriverse' – Self and the Collective"
Prof. António Carvalho (University Of Coimbra, Portugal)
Prof. Vanessa de Oliveira Andreotti (University of British Columbia, Canada) *Online*
Moderator: Tom Henfrey

10:30-11:00: Coffee Break | Atrium (Building 2, 1st Floor)

11:00-13:00 - PARALLEL PAPER/WORKSHOP SESSIONS

T2. S2 | Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)
- Andrea Bandoni (Faculty of Fine Arts of the University of Lisbon, Portugal) *Supporting ancestral knowledge as alternative to modernity: the production of objects by Amazonian craftswomen*
- T.O. Molefe (London School of Economics & University of South Africa) *Towards an Ubu-ntu Co-operative Model*
- Meredith Degyansky (Umass Amherst, USA) *Noticing, Cultivating, and Embodying Worlds Otherwise on/with/as part of a 12-acre Plot of Land*

T4. S3 | Auditorium B1.03 (Building 2, 1st Floor)
- Annalisa Spalazzi (Gran Sasso Science Institute, L'Aquila, Italy) and Jacopo Sforzi (Euricse, Trento, Italy) *Commoning practices of Enterprising Communities in peripheral areas and regions: lessons from the Italian case*
- Felipe Brito e Cunha (ISCTE-IUL, University of Lisbon, Portugal) *Translocal networks as enablers for social innovation on food and energy commons-based initiatives in Belgium and Emilia Romagna*
- Luís Felipe Olival (CRIA, University of Coimbra, Portugal) *The Rhizomatic Growth of Integral Cooperatives within an Ecology of Commons and against the Capitalist Hegemony*
- Stefano Tortorici (Scuola Normale Superiore, Florence, Italy) *On the Margin of Digital Capitalism*

WS2 | Room B1.02 (Building 2, 1st Floor)
Daddé Diallo & Mademba Dieye (l'Association 'Intérêt Général', Dakar, Sénégal) *A Concrete Economic Policy Initiative / Une Initiative Concrète de Politique Économique*

PP1 | Room C6.08 (Building 2, 6th Floor)
Decolonial and Feminist Perspectives on the Commons: Struggles epistemologies across Souths.

    1) Gustavo García-López (Center for Social Studies (CES), University of Coimbra, Portugal) *Defending the commons: Tracing roots, presents and futures from Abya Yala*

    2) Flora Pereira da Silva (Center for Social Studies (CES), University of Coimbra, Portugal) b*Tropical Territories, Ecofeminism and the Commons: from the struggle for land to the decolonization of climate sociology*

    3) Roberto Sciarelli (Center for Social Studies (CES), University of Coimbra, Portugal) *Urban commons as social infrastructures of care: insights from the Scugnizzo Liberato of Naples*

    4) Taraf Abu Hamdan (Central European University) *Making an enemy of your kin: Livelihoods, development, and marginalization in the Jordanian South*

13:00-14:30 – Lunch Break

14:30-16:00: KEYNOTE ROUNDTABLE 3 | Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)
    "Enacting the 'Pluriverse' - Politics"
    Prof. Fred Turner (Stanford University, USA)
    Prof. David Chandler (University of Westminster, UK)
    Moderator: Luciane Lucas dos Santos and Ana Margarida Esteves

16:00-16:30: Coffee Break | Atrium (Building 2, 1st Floor)

16:30-18:30: PARALLEL PAPER/WORKSHOP SESSIONS

T6. S1 Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)

- Doğukan Dere (London School of Economics and Political Science, UK) *Resist! Occupy! Produce!: Recovered Factories As Labor Commons*
- Tejendra Pratap Gautam, Sarmistha Pattanaik and Satish Agnihotri (Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, India) *Political Economy of Forest Rights of Scheduled Tribes (Tribals) in the Gadchiroli District of Maharashtra*
- Marina Puzzilli Comin (University of Brasilia, Brazil) *Between solidarity and capitalism: an ethnography of the Solidarity Economy Forum of the Federal District and Surroundings, in Brasilia, Brazil | Entre a solidariedade e o capitalismo: uma etnografia no Fórum de Economia Solidária do Distrito Federal e Entorno, em Brasília, Brasil*
- Bianca Barp, Caio Momesso, Eduardo José Grin, Fabio Grigoletto, Mário Aquino Alves (FGV EAESP - Fundação Getúlio Vargas - São Paulo School of Business Administration, Brasil) *Collaborative networks among family farmers in Vale do Ribeira: the construction of solidarity economy alternative and a common political agenda*

T5. S2 | Room C2.05 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)

- Juliana Melo, Patrícia Tometich, Tatiana Walter and Márcia Umpierre (Federal University of Rio Grande, Brazil) *Strategies towards territorial security for communities in the Brazilian coastal zone impacted by industrial activities / Estratégias na direção da segurança territorial por comunidades da zona costeira brasileira impactadas por atividades industriais*
- Beatriz Arruda, Amanda Decousseau and Emília Wanda Rutkowski (University of Campinas, Brazil) *Social Media and Websites as Remote Data Sources: A Methodological Approach for Studying Sustainable Construction Practices in Brazilian Ecovillages*
- Boyd Rossing (University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA) *A Multi-Racial Feminist Lens for Advancing Transformative Potentials of the Commons, Solidarity Economy and Beyond*
- Rogério Amaro (CEI, ISCTE-IUL, University of Lisbon, Portugal) & Bárbara Ferreira (ISEG, University of Lisbon, Portugal) *The challenge of creating Community Pluriversity, as a Common of Knowledge*

PP3 | Auditorium B1.03 (Building 2, 1st Floor)
Urban food commons: challenges and opportunities

1) Sergio Ruiz Cayuela (Universitat de Barcelona, Spain) *Consumer cooperatives in Catalonia: contested commons between emancipation and cooptation*

2) Amaranta Herrero Cabrejas (Universitat de Barcelona, Spain) *The Governance of Initiatives Enacting Food Sharing Commons in European Cities: Insights from a scope review*

3) Owain Hanmer (University West of England, UK) *Urban gardens, commoning, and vernacular governance beyond/despite the state?*

4) Rivka Saltiel & Anna Verwey (University of Graz, Austria) *Taste the Difference - Urban initiatives of commensality*

5) Nevra Akdemir (Universität Osnabrück, Germany) *Cooking Solidarity: The Warm Face of the Struggle of Academics for Peace in Germany (BAK-Almanya) via Community Kitchens in Berlin*

19:00-22:00 – FILM SCREENING, FOLLOWED BY Q&A SESSION WITH THE DIRECTOR | Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)

"Interbeing: Coming Home to Community" – Nirmala Lan Hesselund (Copenhagen, Denmark)
Denmark | 2020 | 93:00 min; Moderator: Amandine Gameiro

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10 November 2023 - DAY 3

9:30-10:30: KEYNOTE ROUNDTABLE 4 | Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)

"Community-led Initiatives as actors in International Relations: The Global Ecovillage Network in the midst of the war in Ukraine" International Relations: *Screening of "The Green Road Project" followed by Q&A with Alexandra Hasdorf (Danish Ecovillage Network)*
Moderator: Ana Margarida Esteves

10:30-11:00 Break

11:00-13:00: PARALLEL PAPER/WORKSHOP SESSIONS

T1. S2 | Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)

- Mark-Anthony Motaghy (Massachusetts Institute of Technology MIT, USA) *The Vernaculars of Our Networks: From The Cloud to a Plurality of Grassroots Digital Infrastructures*
- Peter Broeckerhoff and Jan Linhart (Center for Life Ethics, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, Germany) *Solidarity economy and its potential as a mediating practice for the pluriverse*
- Maya Burke (Black Earth Farmers, USA) *Produce to the People: Frontline Food Distribution in the East Bay Area, 2018-2020*
- Peter Hagerrot (Transition Järna, Lucsus Lunds University, Sweden) *Inner Transition in education*

T3. S2 | Auditorium B1.03 (Building 2, 1st Floor)

- Lara Caldas (University of Brasília, Brazil) *Contradictions of Commoning in Brasília / Contradições do fazer-comum em Brasília*
- Catarina Lopes Mateus (DINÂMIA-CET, ISCTE-IUL, Lisbon, Portugal) and Gerardo Costabile Nicoletta (Charles University, Prague) *Decolonizing neorurality. Co-optation processes and limitations of social economy practices among southern European neorurals.*
- Laura Mendoza Sandoval (Scuola Normale Superiore, Italy) *Controversies within the "moral economy" in the prefigurative politics of Agroecology Initiatives in Andalusia*
- Irina Opincaru (University of Bucharest, Romania) *Romanian Commons Governing Institutions as Entrepreneurial Community Organisations (ECOs) - A Borderline Social Enterprise Model*

T4.S2 | Room B1.02 (Building 2, 1st Floor)

- Roman Hausmann (Vienna University of Economics and Business, Austria), Anne-Kathrin Schwab (University of Vechta, Germany) and Andrew Stirling (University of Sussex, UK) *Exploring possibilities of community-led initiatives to engage with local policy makers and citizens for collaborative action towards solidarity-based local provisioning*
- Cristina Sousa (Campolide Parish Council, Portugal), Bárbara Ferreira (Socius/CSG - ISEG - University of Lisbon, Portugal) and Rogério Roque Amaro (Department of Political Economy of ISCTE-IUL, Portugal) *Combining Solidarity Economy and Community Development in the Commons management - the Bela Flor case*
- Hande Dönmez (Scuola Normale Superiore, Italy) *Gezi as a transformative event? Shift to direct solidarity actions for democratic resilience*

PP4 | Room C2.05 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)
Can Cities Care? What can efforts in Colombia, Kenya and the US tell us about the role and limitations of urban governance in building social solidarity networks

- Abebe Kifetew, Tiandra Ray, and Marco Herndon (Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), USA)
- Case Study Overview: *Nairobi (Kenya), the United States and Bogota (Colombia)*
  1) Main challenges of "care in the city"
  2) Future trends in "care in the city": What is emerging?

13:00-14:30 - Lunch Break

**14:30-17:00: BOOK LAUNCHING SESSIONS, MEET & GREET WITH THE AUTHORS |
Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)**

- Ana Margarida Esteves (ISCTE - Instituto Universitário de Lisboa), Tom Henfrey (Schumacher Institute), Luciane Lucas dos Santos (CES - Centro de Estudos Sociais, Coimbra), Leonardo Leal (UFAL - Universidade Federal de Alagoas, Brazil) *Solidarity Economy: Alternative Spaces, Power and Politics*
- Jesús Sanz (Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain), Sara Sama Acedo (Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia, Spain) *Journal Monograph: "Transformative Economies. Theoretical developments and associated practices" / Monográfico de Revista: "Economías transformadoras. Desarrollos teóricos y prácticas asociadas".*
- Craig Borowiak (Haverford College, USA) and Maliha Safri (Drew University, USA) *Solidarity Cities: Confronting Racial Capitalism, Mapping Transformation*
- Justine Loizeau, Benjamin Coriat, Nicole Alix (Coop des Communs, France) *Enacting territorial proximity- based commons, a jointly elaborated approach between commoners and researchers*
- Jan Linhart (forthcoming) (European University Viadrina, Frankfurt, Germany) *Science and the Other: An inquiry into the geopolitics of knowledge, Potiguara ontology and the hard problem of modern science*

17:00-17:00 – CLOSING SESSION | Auditorium B2.03 (Building 2, 2nd Floor)