HRANT DİNK MEMORIAL WORKSHOP

New Forms of Social Protest

May 25-26, 2012 Cezayir Meeting Hall, Istanbul

Sabancı University in collaboration with Hrant Dink Foundation and Istanbul Policy Center

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FRIDAY, MAY 25

9:00-11:30

I: Politics and Memory

Chair: Rober Koptaş (Agos)

A Fatmagül Berktay (Istanbul University), Opening Remarks: "New Oppositional Forms: The Politics of Shared Differences"

- Alparslan Nas (Sabancı University); "Rethinking Diyarbakır Prison; Musealization as Resistance Activism"
- Eray Çaylı (University College London): "Strategies and Tactics of Architectural Memorialization in 'Witness-Sites': the Case of the Madımak Hotel"
- Anoush Suni (Sabancı University): "Renovation as Resistance: The Restoration of the Habap Fountains"

11:30-12:00 COFFEE/TEA BREAK

12:00-13:30

II. Occupation as Social Protest

Chair: Ayfer Bartu (Boğaziçi University)

- A Jermaine Ma (Bilkent University): "What About Occupy?: An Integrative Approach to Political Protest Movements"
- ▲ Umut Kocagöz (Boğaziçi University): "Counter Occupation and the Commons"
- ▲ Josef Burton (University of Washington): "Youth Activism at the End of History"

13:30-14:30 LUNCH BREAK

14:30-16:30

III. Political Engagement in Neoliberal Times

Chair: Buket Türkmen (Galatasaray University)

- A Simten Coşar (Başkent University): "The Neoliberal Public: An Oxymoron or a Panoply of De-politicization?"
- A İnci Özkan-Kerestecioğlu (Istanbul University): "Feminist Claims to the Public: Articulation into Neoliberal Preferences or against the TINA Argument?"
- A Gülden Özcan (Carleton University): "Neoliberal Politics and Corporate Culture: Dismissing with Organized Labor"
- Aslı Vatansever (Doğuş University): "Broken Promises of Liberalism and The Politics of Disillusionment"
- A Salpi Ghazarian (Civilitas Foundation): "The New Activism: Rejecting Politics but Embracing Protest"

16:30-16:45/COFFEE/TEA BREAK

16:45-18:00

IV. Art and Resistance

Chair: Banu Karaca (Sabancı University)

- A Begüm Özden Fırat (Mimar Sinan University): "The Tyranny of Creativity"
- A Sigrid Schiesser (University of Vienna): "Street Art and Place Making in Krasnodar, Southern Russia"
- Tina Bastajian (Universiteit van Amsterdam): "MediAntics: Encounters in Activating Hybrid and Augmented Space"

18:00-20:00

V. Film Screening Panel: Dialogue as a Form of Resistance

Chair: Cengiz Aktar (Hrant Dink Foundation, Bahçeşehir University)

- A Multimedia for Dialogue- Memorial Workshop Special Presentation (Hrant Dink Foundation and Galata Fotografhanesi)
- Aris Nalcı (Agos): "The False Witness of Public Opposition: Media"

20:00 RECEPTION

SATURDAY, MAY 26

9:30-11:00

VI. Emerging Movements, New Strategies I

Chair: Özlem Dalkıran (Friends of Hrant)

- A Banu Bargu (New School For Social Research): "Human Shields"
- Emre Can Dağlıoğlu (Istanbul Bilgi University): "The Role of Wikileaks in Arab Revolutions as a New Course of Resistance"
- A Pınar Büyüktaş (Université de Strasbourg): "Spheres of Counterpublics: Rituals as Protest"
- A Okan Doğan (Bilkent University): "Outburst Endorsed: Citizens and Intellectuals for Hrant Dink"

11:00-11:30 COFFEE / TEA BREAK

11:30-13:00

VII. Global Perspectives on New Forms of Social Protest

Chair: Ahmet İnsel (Galatasaray University)

- A David Graeber (Goldsmiths, University of London)
- Amr Shalakany (The American University in Cairo)

13:00-14:30 LUNCH BREAK

14:30-15.30

VIII. Gendered Resistances

Chair: Gülayşe Koçak (Sabancı University)

- ▲ Jennifer Petzen (Humbolt University): "The Problem of Race in Feminist and Queer Activism"
- Federica Giardini (Università Roma TRE): "Revolts in the Mediterranean: From Revolution to Radical Democracy"

15.30-16:00 COFFEE / TEA BREAK

16:00-18:00

IX. Emerging Movements, New Strategies II

Chair: Ateş Altınordu (Sabancı University)

- A Bülent Bilmez (Istanbul Bilgi University): "Ecological, Ethno-cultural and Political Activism against the Hydroelectric Power Plants in Tunceli/Dersim in the 21st Century: A 'New' Social Protest Movement?"
- A Polina Gioltzoglou (University of Macedonia), Georgios Katsanos (University of Athens), Alexandros Kampouris (Istanbul Bilgi University): "The Social Experiment of Greece: Re-Acting Against the System"
- Assel Bitabarova (Hokkaido University): "Zhanaozen Incident 2011: Social Protest, Civic Consciousness and Political Rallying"