Programme

**The Bureaucratization of Utopia:**

**International Governance, Audit Culture and Administrative Subjectivities in the 21st Century**

An international workshop

Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies

Geneva, 29-30 June 2017

Room S4

**Day 1 – June, 29th - Futures**

13.00-13.30 – Welcome address by Alessandro Monsutti and introduction to the workshop by Julie Billaud

13.30-14.15 - Lukas Schemper, University of Vienna.

*Utopia and international organization history: preliminary observations with a focus on disaster relief*

14.20-15.05 - Miia Halme-Tuomisaari, Allegra Lab, U of Helsinki & Turku

*The Banalization of Good: Human rights bureaucracies and the exhausted utopia of world change*

**15.05-15.25 – Coffee break**

15.30-16.30 - Andrea Ballestero, Rice University.

*The techno-legal devices of humanitarian water: Towards a non-cinematic future*

16.30-17.30 - Grégoire Mallard, Graduate Institute in Geneva

*The Art of Simulation: Speech Norms and Social Glue in Middle East Disarmament Talks*

17.30-18.30 – Giulia Scalettaris, Université de Lille

*The bureaucratic quest for Refugeestan: professional practices and habitus of the UNHCR’s humanitarian officials*

**20.00 - Diner at La Réplique - 5, rue du Temple. Offered by FNS.**

**Day 2 – June, 30th – Bureaucratic interventions**

09.00-09.45 - Nayanika Mathur, University of Sussex.

*From Extractivism to Utopianism: Transparency and Accountability Measures in India since the 2000s.*

09.45-10.30 - Maria Sapignoli, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology.

*Fragility and Hope in the UN’s Initiatives for Indigenous Peoples*

**10.30-10.45 – Coffee break**

10.45-11.30 - Shaila Seshia Galvin, Graduate Institute

*Inspecting Inspections: Interpreting and Mediating “Organic” in Uttarakhand, India*

11.30-12.15 - Julie Billaud, Allegra Lab, University of Sussex, ICRC.

*Auditing International Law: Bureaucratic Utopias at the UN Human Rights Council and at the ICRC*

**12.15-13.30 – Lunch break**

13.30-14.15 - Isabelle Schulte-Tenckhoff, Graduate Institute, Geneva

*‘Indigeneity’ at the UN: critical reflections on a progress narrative (and its dark side)*

14.15-15.00 - Niels Nagelhus Schia, Norwegian Institute of European Affairs.

*Bureaucrats of cyberspace: The making of connections and disconnections at international multistakeholder conferences*

**15.00-15.15 – Coffee break**

15.15-16.00 - Elif Babül, Mount Holyoke College

*The risky Business of Governance: Ambiguity, Opacity and Uncertainty in Bureaucracy*

16.00-16.45 – Jane Cowan, University of Sussex

*Reviewing human rights as Greece collapses: debt, austerity measures, time, administrative subjectivity and bureaucratic appeal against dystopia*

16.45-17.30 –Wrap-up and discussion on dissemination.

20.00 - **Optional dinner at Bains des Pâquis for those who would like to continue the conversation or simply have a swim and some food (not covered by FNS…but the place is cheap and convivial!)**