GLOBAL JUSTICE (II): ETHICS AND PRACTICES OF RESPONSIBILITY
How is justice created? Who is responsible?
Paris 8, November 19-20, 2012

CALL FOR PAPERS AND PARTICIPANTS

USC Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences, University Paris 8 and University Paris Ouest announce a two-day workshop conference to discuss topics of common interest around continuing questions of global justice raised by our first collaborative conference in April 2011 at USC. We aim to move beyond describing problems and toward developing themes of responsibility in creating justice and remedying injustice.

This gathering in Paris is hosted by University Paris 8 and co-sponsored by USC Levan Institute for Humanities and Ethics, USC Center for International Studies, USC Shoah Foundation Institute and the Carnegie Council Global Ethics Network.

2012 CONFERENCE TOPIC: Global Justice (II): Ethics and Practices of Responsibility

OVERVIEW:
Leading voices of international society tend to agree on common values of human rights, economic justice and environmental stewardship. This interdisciplinary conference will question how such values are mobilized in public controversies, how they are practically implemented and how they are turned into political initiatives or other mechanisms for ethical responsibility. We will explore how to structure and build a carefully thought-out connection between ethics and practices of responsibility and the values that they are meant to mirror. We welcome proposals from all disciplines, and encourage comparative work and trans-disciplinary perspectives.

Our themes will focus on innovative theories and practices around the following topics:

1) Institutional and Legal Mechanisms
   (e.g., top-down practices of responsibility, rules, devices, arenas and institutional actors)

2) Civic and Social Movements for Justice
   (e.g., bottom-up practices of responsibility, domestic or transnational, citizen campaigns)

3) Public Opinion, Media and Internet Freedom
   (e.g., horizontal practices of responsibility, use and misuse of media and internet power)

4) Theoretical Perspectives on Global Responsibility
   (e.g., embedding norms of responsibility, materialization of norms into policies)

5) Economic, Governmental and Corporate Ethics of Care
   (e.g., creating norms of responsibility and mitigating corruption, financial scandals and new indices for success)

ORGANIZATION OF THE EVENT:
The conference will take the form of a workshop gathering of 20 to 25 people over the two days of the event. Participants are expected to attend all sessions of the conference.

OUTCOME:
Edited volume in French and English

APPLICATION PROCESS:
Those interested in applying should send a one-page abstract and brief bio to the Levan Institute for Humanities and Ethics (usclevan@usc.edu).

Deadline for submissions is May 31, 2012

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