Workshop
Industrial vigilantism, strikebreaking and patterns of anti-labour violence, 1890s-1930s

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17.30 – 18.00 - Opening Remarks
Matteo Millan (ERC-PREWArAs Principal Investigator, University of Padova)

18.00 – 19.30 - Keynote Address
Geoff Eley (University of Michigan), Normalizing and fracturing civility, 1860-1930: What were the tracks and boundaries of violence?

Reception/Dinner

24 October 2018

9.00 – 11.00 - First Panel
Panel Chair: Tom Buchanan (Oxford)
George Gilbert (Southampton), Strike breaking in the late Russian Empire: reaction and revolution.
Voloodymyr Kulikov (CEU Budapest), Repression of Labor Movement in the Company Towns of Russia.
Claire Morelont (Padova), For the protection of willing workers*: Violence and Strikebreaking in Late Habsburg Austria.
Amerigo Caruso (Padova), Anti-labor violence and the rise of strikebreakers’ gangs in late Imperial Germany, 1905-1914.

11.00 - 11.30 - Coffee Break

11.30 – 13.30 - Second Panel
Panel Chair: Patricia Clavin (Oxford)
Alessandro Saluppo (Padova), Strikebreaking and Maritime Labor in Britain, 1890-1914.
Erik Bengtsson (Lund), Sweden: the labour market regime without repression? An overview with a specific look at the 1899 anti-strike Åkarp Law.
Charles Fawell (Chicago), Labour in the In-Between Spaces of Empires: Militancy and Repression Along the Maritime Highways of the French Empire, c. 1880-1930.

13.30 – 14.30 - Lunch

14.30 - 16.00 - Third Panel
Panel Chair: Giulia Albanese (Padova)
Bruno Settis (SNS Pisa, CHSP), Security and surveillance services in mass production industries: the case of Fiat.
Thanasis Betas (Thessaly), Cairo, Athens, Salonica. Strikebreaking and anti-labour employers’ and state’s practices in the cigarette industry in the earlier twentieth century.
Arturo Zoffmann Rodriguez (EUI), An honest worker against the red tyrants: the dirty war between libres and cenetistas in Spain, 1919-23.

16.00 – 17.30 - Fourth Panel
Panel Chair: Marc Mulholland (Oxford)
Prerna Agarwal (LSE), Countermanding the Red-Flag in the Name of Allah and ‘Constitutionalism’: the Murky World of Labour Politics in Calcutta Docks, 1930s.
Pierre Eichenberger (Zurich), ‘Employers of the world, unite!’ The International Organization of Industrial Employers, 1900-1939.

17.30 – 17.45 - Coffee Break

17.45 - 18.30 - Final Remarks and discussion
Martin Conway (University of Oxford)

20.00 - Reception/Dinner

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