



# ESRC Seminar Series 'Beyond Labour Regulation'

#### **Constructing Research Agendas**

Monday January 16th 2012, The Boardroom, College Building, Middlesex University, Hendon, London NW4 4BT, 10am to 5 pm

This ESRC Seminar Series hosted by Middlesex University has brought together academics and practitioners to examine changing global regulation of labour standards. The seminars were organised by a team at Middlesex University including Professor Martin Upchurch, Professor Richard Croucher, Elizabeth Cotton and Professor Joshua Castellino. Professor Miguel Martinez Lucio Manchester University) and Dr. Conor Cradden (University of Geneva) helped with organisation at the Liverpool and Geneva seminars respectively. Our first seminar took place at Middlesex University, London in January 2010 and examined the problems of Contract and Agency labour. Participants included academics, practitioners from General Union Federations, and activists within global supply chains. The second seminar, on Migration and Labour Regulation, was held in the Liverpool in the International Slavery Museum in September 2010. Speakers included representatives of major institutions concerned with migration and migrant workers, migrant worker groups, and academics. Case studies were presented of problems facing migrant workers from across the world. The third seminar was on the problems of labour regulation caused by Private Equity, and was held in June 2011 at the University of Geneva. Our final seminar will be held at Middlesex University, London on January 16th 2012, and will attempt to bring together previous seminar participants and others interested in collaborating with new research to explore further areas of 'beyond labour regulation'.

#### Research Agendas Seminar: Monday January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## 'What We Should be Researching and Why' Panel Discussion led by

**Miguel Martinez Lucio** (Professor of International HRM at Manchester University), and co-editor with Luis Enrique Alonso of *Employment Relations in a Changing Society*, Palgrave, 2006.

**Kevin Doogan** (Professor of European Policy Studies at the University of Bristol), and author of *New Capitalism, The Transformation of Work?*, Wiley, 2009

**Julie Froud** (Professor of Financial Innovation at Manchester University) and co-author of *Financialization at Work*, Routledge, 2008

**Joshua Castellino** (Professor of Law at Middlesex University) and co-author of *Minority Rights in Asia*, OUP, 2006

**Sonia McKay** (Professor of European Socio-Legal Studies at London Metroolitan University) and author of *Refugees, recent migrants and employment: challenging barriers and exploring path ways,* Routledge, 2008

### Plus Practitioner Forum,

with invited speakers from NGOs, trade unions, and policy organisations in the field of global labour regulation.

If you are interested in attending the seminar, please contact Professor Martin Upchurch (m.upchurch@mdx.ac.uk) or the Seminar Series administrator Denise Arden (d.arden@mdx.ac.uk). There is no registration fee, refreshments for the all day seminar will be provided, but please book places in advance. http://www.globalworkonline.net/blog/beyondlabour/