

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

When: Wednesday 31 July – Friday 2 August 2024

Where: Scarman Conference Centre, University of Warwick, Coventry UK

The School of Law at the University of Warwick will host the Annual Conference of the International Association for Critical Realism (IACR) 2024 for their 26th conference. A PGR pre-conference workshop will take place from 29-30 July, followed by the conference from 31 July - 2 August 2024. This Conference is hybrid and details of how to join online will be sent to those registered for online attendance.

You can contact the conference organisers by emailing: iacr2024@warwick.ac.uk.

DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY 31 JULY

TIME	SESSION	LOCATION
8:30-9:15am	REGISTRATION AND MEET AND GREET OVER COFFEE / TEA	Scarman Reception & Lounge
9:15-9:30am	Conference Welcome Alan Norrie, Amanda Wilson, Henrique Carvalho, University of Warwick, UK & Doug Porpora, President of IACR, Drexel University, US	Lecture Theatre, Scarman
9:30-11:00am	Plenary 1 – On Roy Bhaskar Alan Norrie, University of Warwick, UK Onur Ozmen, Independent Scholar, Turkey Craig Reeves, Birkbeck University of London, UK Michael Bhaskar, Author	Lecture Theatre, Scarman
11-11:30am	MORNING COFFEE / TEA BREAK	Scarman Lounge
11:30-1pm	PARALLEL SESSIONS 1	
	CRITICAL REALIST PHILOSOPHY AND METHODOLOGY 1 On the temporality of the concern: Relationality as engagement and its implication for biographical research Michalis Christodoulou, Aristotle University of Thessloniki, Greece (15 min) Archer, Morphogenesis and Time Jamie Morgan, Leeds Beckett University, UK (15 min) Human Reflexivity and Human Wellbeing: Integrating Archer and Self-Determination Theory Richard Remelie, Manchester Metropolitan University, UK (15 min)	Lecture Theatre, Scarman
	Development of dialectical thinking over a lifetime Bruno Frischherz, Lucerne School of Business, Switzerland (15 min)	
	Questions & Discussion (30 min)	

EDUCATION 1 Making the case for a critical realist theory of academic writing: does this matter for human emancipation? Julia Molinari, The Open University, UK (15 min) Supporting PhD students' academic writing through an engagement with the philosophy of science Karin Zotzmann, University of Southampton, UK (15 min) Capability for Peace? A Critical Realist Study of	Space 24, Scarman
International Graduate Scholarships' Potential Contribution to Peace in Palestine Anas N. Almassri, Durham University, UK (15 min) Structure and Agency: Transnational and School Transitions of Ukrainian Forced Migrant Adolescents in Poland Anzhela Popyk, University SWPS, Poland (15 min) Questions & Discussion (30 min)	
'Arm Bearer' or 'Warrior'? A Critical Realist Inquiry into the Relationship between Combatant Subjectivity and the Law of War Ka Lok Yip, Hamad Bin Khailfa University, Qatar (15 min) Moral Realism in a Post-truth Era: Revindicating Labour Rights in Contemporary India Rohan Preece, SOAS University of London, UK (15 min) Critical realist reflections on risk assessment in criminal justice Lars Breuls, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium (15 min) Questions & Discussion (45 min)	Space 29, Scarman

	POLITICS AND POLITICAL THEORY 1 Taking Ayn Rand's Moral Philosophy Seriously Steve Ash, Center for Critical Realism, UK (15 min) Class Interests and the Problem of Class Formation Luca Hemmerich, TU Darmstadt, Germany (15 min) 'The point is to change it' Priscilla Alderson, University College London, UK (15 min) (online) Questions & Discussion (45 min)	Space 31, Scarman
1-2pm	LUNCH	Scarman Restaurant
2-3pm	Plenary 2 - Cheryl Frank Memorial Lecture Dave Elder-Vass, Loughborough University, UK	Lecture Theatre, Scarman
3-3:30pm	AFTERNOON TEA / COFFEE BREAK	Scarman Lounge
3:30-5pm	PARALLEL SESSIONS 2	
	CRITICAL REALIST PHILOSOPHY AND METHODOLOGY 2 Critical Realism and Ethical Naturalism Kevin Schilbrack, Appalachian State University, USA (15 min) Do No Harm: Critical Realism and Research Ethics Steph Grohmann, Ludwig Boltzmann Gesellschaft, Austria (15 min) Representation as Intervention: A Realist Approach to the Performative Dimension of Social Science? Dean Curran, University of Calgary, Canada (15 min) A critical realist manifesto for an ontological and methodological revolution in anthropology Andreas Vavvos, University of Saint Andrews, UK & University of Crete, Greece (15 min) (online) Questions & Discussion (30 min)	Space 24, Scarman

	HEALTH 1 Critical Realist Ontology in Social Prescribing Practice Christiana Melam, MBE Birmingham City University, UK (15 min) (online) Applying Bhaskar's political-moral theory to decolonizing global health Ferdinand C. Mukumbang, University of Washington, USA (15 min) Critical Realist study exploring the sustainability of patient experience focused quality initiatives in healthcare settings Sarah Chessell, Bournemouth University and NHS	Space 29, Scarman
	Dorset, UK (15 min) Questions & Discussion (45 min)	
	OTHER 1 Typical characters in typical circumstances": Justifying Engels' statement by looking at the "typical" in realist novels Nandini Mukherjee, Jadavpur University, India (15 min) (online) Using the Morphogenic Approach to Reflect on the Causal Powers of Tibetan Buddhism Deborah Parkes, University of Ottawa, Canada (15 min) Bio Citizenship a Foucauldian Social Ontological Perspective Joel Patomäki, University, Finland (15 min) Questions & Discussion (45 min)	Space 31, Scarman
5-6pm	RECEPTION	Scarman Bar
6-7:30pm	'Reading Bhaskar' Focus Group Steve Ash, Centre for Critical Realism, UK Members of the editorial committee for 'Reading Bhaskar' will facilitate this session which is aimed at those who have been involved with teaching critical realism.	Space 24, Scarman

DAY 2 – THURSDAY 1 AUGUST 2024

TIME	SESSION	LOCATION
8:30-9am	COFFEE / TEA	Scarman Lounge
9-10am	IACR Business Meeting	Space 24, Scarman
10-11am	Plenary 3 - On Margaret Archer Dave Elder-Vass, Loughborough University, UK Ismael Al-Amoudi, Grenoble École de Management Doug Porpora, President of IACR & Drexel University, US Andrea Maccarini, University of Padova, Italy	Lecture Theatre, Scarman
11-11:30am	MORNING COFFEE / TEA BREAK	Scarman Lounge
11:30-1pm	PARALLEL SESSIONS 3	
	BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS 1 A Critical Realist Perspective on Construction Project Culture Stine Harboe Petersen, University of Southern Denmark, Denmark (15 min) Transforming the theory and practice of wellbeing: A critical realist critique Laura Byrne, Jonathan Crawshaw, Judy Scully, Aston University, UK & Luke Fletcher, University of Bath, UK (15 min) Critical realism and power dynamics in organisations: A micro-level explanatory account of workplace bullying emergence through early-stage conflicting interactions Daniela Lazareanu, University of Reading, UK (15 min) Questions & Discussion (45 min)	Space 29, Scarman

	LAW, JUSTICE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE 2 In the Absence of Justice	Lecture Theatre, Scarman
	Henrique Carvalho, University of Warwick, UK (15 min) Uncovering Truth? Applying Alethia and Truth Tetrapolites to the Criminal Law James White, University of Warwick, UK (15 min)	
	The Prison's Indelible Bedfellows: On the Comic and Tragic Relation Amanda Wilson, University of Warwick, UK (15 min)	
	On the Vindictive, Vindicative and Validatory in Criminal Justice: thoughts on Happy Valley Alan Norrie, University of Warwick, UK 15 min)	
	Questions & Discussion (30 min)	
	HEALTH 2	Space 31, Scarman
	Living and Coping With HIV-Related Uncertainties: A Critical Realist Approach Georgios Tsigkas, Queen Margaret University, UK (15 min) (online)	Godiman
	Seeing the person behind the mechanism – discovering person-centredness in an eHealth service by drawing on Realist Evaluation Katharina Gabl, Theresa Clement & Hanna Mayer, Karl Landsteiner University of Health Sciences, Austria (15 min)	
	Unveiling Invisible Barriers: A Critical Realist Approach to Healthcare Accessibility for Young Adults with Mental Health Disabilities Sandy Rao, University of Calgary, Canada (15 min)	
	A methodology to build causal models within critical realism Vincent Martin-Schreiber, University of Ottawa, Canada, and Cristián Navarrete, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Chile (15 min) (online)	
	Questions & Discussion (30 min)	
1-2pm	LUNCH	Scarman Restaurant

2-3pm	Plenary 4 – On Political Economy Karim Kniou & Andrew Dryhurst, Institute of Social Studies, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands Matthew Watson, University of Warwick, UK	Lecture Theatre, Scarman
3-3:30pm	AFTERNOON TEA / COFFEE BREAK	Scarman Lounge
3:30-5pm	PARALLEL SESSIONS 4	
	CRITICAL REALIST PHILOSOPHY AND METHODOLOGY 3 It's MetaReality, it's Not Complicated! Rob Faure Walker, UCL, UK (15 min)	Space 24, Scarman
	A transcendental realist theory of humour Leigh Price, The Inland Norway University of Applied Sciences, Norway (15 min)	
	The philosophy of meta-reality as a form of 'self-help' that is truly worthy of the name Onur Ozmen, Independent Scholar, Turkey (15 min)	
	Questions & Discussion (45 min)	
	EDUCATION 2 Understanding the experiences of teachers in schools in Australia using the ideas of Critical Realism and the Morphogenetic Approach, and an auto-ethnographic approach Darren Fitzpatrick, Monash University, Australia (15 min) (online)	Space 29, Scarman
	Hypercapitalism and its impact on higher education: A critical realist perspective in knowledge making Nkosinathi Madondo, Mangosuthu University of Technology, South Africa (15 min) (online)	
	Framing the Democratic Republic of the Congo's (Sub-Saharan Africa) education systems: Educational leadership and critical realism Jean Pierre Elonga Mboyo, Teesside University, UK & Anthony Thorpe, University of Roehampton, UK (15 min)	
	Questions & Discussion (45 min)	

	GENDER STUDIES 1 Feminist Manifestoes and the Future of Gender Richard Shield, Birkbeck University, UK (15 min) Gender and the Hopeless Neoliberal Stance: Examples from UK Social Statistics Wendy Olsen, University of Manchester, UK (15 min) The Empowerment of Women as a Theory of Transformative Change Tiyana Jovanovic, University of Queensland, Australia & Indian Institute of Technology, India (15 min) Questions & Discussion (45 min)	Space 31, Scarman
	CRIME, SECURITY AND JUSTICE NETWORK SHOWCASE Using Critical Realism to Rethink the Etiological Crisis in Criminology Adam Edwards, Cardiff University, UK (10 min) Unknotting the ball of string: explaining legal need and its interaction with non-legal need in the context of structural inequality Catherine Hastings, Macquarie University, Australia (10 min) Pathways into street sex work Daniela Lazareanu, University of Reading, UK & Rachel Swann, Cardiff University, UK (10 min) Exploring the experiences: domestic violence amongst street sex workers through a critical realist lens Sikiya Adekanye, Cardiff University, UK (10 min) Early-stage power dynamic shifts in workplace bullying Daniela Lazareanu, University of Reading, UK (10 min) Understanding the Overrepresentation of Mental III-Health amongst UK Police Officers Mark Brain, Cardiff University, UK (10 min) Questions & Discussion (30 min)	Lecture Theatre, Scarman
5-6pm	PRE-DINNER DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE	Scarman Bar
6pm	CONFERENCE DINNER	Scarman Restaurant

DAY 3 – FRIDAY 2 AUGUST 2024

TIME	SESSION	LOCATION
8:30-9am	COFFEE / TEA	Scarman Lounge
9-10:30am	PARALLEL SESSIONS 5	
	EDUCATION 3 Archer's morphogenetic framework to the rescue Sarah Bates Evoy, South East Technological University, Ireland (15 min) Taking a morphogenetic approach to understanding school exclusion in England Stephanie King, Nottingham Trent University, UK (15 min) Surfacing science academics' ontological and epistemological views about science using Bhaskar's three domains of reality Robyn Yucel, Deakin University, Australia (15 min) Questions & Discussion (45 min)	Lecture Theatre, Scarman
	OTHER 2 Thinking ecological change through Critical Realism – the case of forest adaptation to climate change Jan Zumoberhaus, Department of Geosciences, University of Fribourg, Switzerland (15 min) Mechanisms and Motion: Causal Inference and Animated Documentary Marc Bosward, University of Derby, UK (15 min) Sunshine is the best sanitation: Truthtelling in the digital world Catherine Thompson, Danny Samson & Sherah Kurnia, University of Melbourne, Australia (15 min) Questions & Discussion (45 min)	Space 24, Scarman

BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS 2

Space 29, Scarman

A Theory of Reflexive-HRM for Promoting Inclusive, Emancipatory People Management Practices Lakshman Wimalasena, Heriot Watt University, UK (15 min)

Exploring the connection between digital economy and competitiveness

Li Li, Bath Spa University, UK, Yanli Cheng, Kingston University International Study Centre, UK, & Hongyan Wang, Dongying Vocational Insitute, Dongying, China (15 min)

Exploring Power and Politics in Organizational Learning (OL)

Fidelis Abagulum, Newcastle University, UK (15 min) (online)

Systemic Problem-Solution Assessment: A reflexivity method inspired by the morphogenetic approach Anna Margolis & Fenna Blomsma, Hamburg University, Germany (15 min)

Questions & Discussion (30 min)

Space 31, Scarman

EDUCATION 4

Greening the Ivory Tower: A Critical Realist Analysis of the Organizational Dynamics Surrounding the Adoption of the Laudato Si' Declaration by Religiously-Affiliated Universities

Stephanie Ann Puen, Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines & Angelo Carlo Carrascoso, University of Redlands, USA (15 min) (online)

Investigating Higher Education Internationalisation in Taiwan: A Critical Realist Approach

Yi-Hsuan Irene Huang, University of Bristol, UK (15 min)

Day-to-day leading in educational organizations: Educational leadership and critical realism

Anthony Thorpe, University of Roehampton, UK & Jean Pierre Elonga Mboyo, Teesside University, UK (15 min)

Voice of the Unwanted Girl – Sujata Bhatt Birendra Singh, UCL, UK (15 min)

Questions & Discussion (30 min)

		Lounge
11:15- 12:30pm	Plenary 5 – On Gender Michiel van Ingen, Independent Scholar, Netherlands Steph Grohmann, Ludwig Boltzmann Gesellschaft, Austria Caroline New, Bath Spa University, UK Angela Martinez Dy, Loughborough University, UK	Lecture Theatre, Scarman
12:30-1pm	Closing Remarks	Lecture Theatre, Scarman
1-2pm	LUNCH	Scarman Restaurant
2-3:30pm	PARALLEL SESSIONS 6	
	CRITICAL REALIST PHILOSOPHY AND METHODOLOGY 4	Space 24, Scarman
	Beyond the Living and the Dead: A Critical Realist Study of the Aspirations of Youth Cemetery Dwellers Angelica Joyce Samson, University of the Philippines Diliman, CIIT College of Arts and Technology, Philippines (15 min)	
	Towards a Parliament of Robots: A Phenomenological Approach to Al Frédéric Vandenberghe, Max Weber Kolleg, Germany & UFRJ, Brazil (15 min)	
	Can we be friends with ChatGPT? The relevance of Archer's late work on Al for our emerging sociotechnical order Mark Carrigan, University of Manchester, UK (15 min) Questions & Discussion (45 min)	
	POLITICS AND POLITICAL THEORY 2	Space 29, Scarman
	Proto-positioning: technical and tactical trials to roll out private development finance in Kenya's water sector Manuel Heckel, Department of Geography, University of Cambridge, UK (15 min) Applying Critical Realism to Real World Problems: Realist Evaluation can investigate what works and for whom by utilizing live Big Data from New York State	

	Mansoor Kazi, Realist Evaluation Inc, USA (15 min)	
	Causal explanation underlying the development of Collaborative Housing in Sweden	
	Ivette Arroyo, Lund University, Sweden and Catherine Hastings, Macquarie University, Australia (15 min)	
	Questions & Discussion (45 min)	
	BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS 3	Space 31, Scarman
	The Stratified Emergentist Polanyian Perspective: A Relational Approach for the Study of the Economy of the Family	
	Sonia López Cerón, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Colombia (15 min)	
	The great capability: Towards a synthesis of critical realist knowledge on the ontology of rationality Emanuele Lobina, University of Greenwich, UK (15 min)	
	A Critical Realist Approach to SME Resilience in Developing Economies and Crisis Contexts: Frugal Innovation as a Coping Mechanism Farah Mneimne, University of Leicester, UK (15 min)	
	Questions & Discussion (45 min)	
3:30pm	AFTERNOON COFFEE / TEA / OTHER DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE FROM SCARMAN BAR	Scarman Lounge and Bar