Concept Note

Education is an often ideologically charged notion that has been the object of many expectations and at times also cause for disenchantment. It is sometimes thought of as *the* means of reducing structural inequalities within societies. Nevertheless, access to education itself can be distributed in unequal ways, contingent on the very structures it is supposed to even out. Furthermore, the question of which forms of knowledge are recognized as education can be fundamentally contested.

This conference, jointly organized with the Transnational Research Group *Poverty & Education in India*, aims to bring together research on inequality, education and social power from various disciplinary perspectives, as well as from various countries in different world regions. It seeks to facilitate a mutually beneficial exchange of ideas and concepts among different research communities. Thus, the conference hopes to contribute to opening up new perspectives on the relationship between inequality, education and social power.

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11:00	Welcom	ing Ac	Idresses
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Heinz Duchhardt Max Weber Stiftung – Deutsche Geisteswissenschaftliche Institute im Ausland

Andreas Eckert Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin/Forum

11:30 Inequality, Education and Social Power: General Discussion

> Chair: Andreas Eckert Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin/Forum

Sarada Balagopalan Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi

Klaus Hurrelmann Hertie School of Governance, Berlin

Carlos Costa Ribeiro Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro 14:00 Global Knowledge Asymmetries and Education

> Chair: Barbara Göbel Ibero-Amerikanisches Institut,/Berlin

Neeladri Bhattacharya Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

Peter Kallaway University of Cape Town

David MacDonald University of Guelph

Hebe Vessuri Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Mexico City

16:00 Social Diversity and Education

Chair: Jana Tschurenev Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

Yusuf Sayed Cape Peninsula University of Technology, Cape Town

Céline Teney Universität Bremen

Martha Zapata Galindo Freie Universität Berlin

18:00 Keynote Address

Jutta Allmendinger Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung

Introduction: Marianne Braig Freie Universität Berlin/Forum Tuesday, 25 November 2014

10:00 Private Actors in the Education System

Chair: Andreas Gestrich German Historical Institute London

Geetha Nambissan Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

Hania Sobhy Orient-Institut Beirut

Silke Strickrodt German Historical Institute London

12:00 Inequality, Education and the Labor Market

Chair: Ravi Ahuja Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

Augustin Emane Institut d'Etudes Avancées de Nantes

Patricio Solís El Colegio de México, Mexico City

Anja Weiß Universität Duisburg-Essen