

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
“ONE HUNDRED YEARS THAT SHOOK THE WORLD:
FAILURES, LEGACIES, AND FUTURES OF THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION”

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VENUES: UNIVERSITY OF ST. GALLEN; LITERATURHAUS, ZÜRICH; PALACE, ST. GALLEN

Centennials have always served as occasions for retrospection and reconsideration. They urge us to explain the making of an event; to revisit its impact; to gauge its legacy; to debate and/or question its continuing relevance; to imagine the possibility of restaging or redeployment, etc.

The conference “ONE HUNDRED YEARS THAT SHOOK THE WORLD: FAILURES, LEGACIES, AND FUTURES OF THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION” aims to look back at the Russian Revolution, to turn to its siblings and stepchildren, and to discuss the idea of a “revolution” in general. Accordingly, the conference serves as a stage for three related discourses: (a) the Russian Revolution; (b) comparative perspectives; (c) conceptual challenges.

The following keynote speakers have confirmed their participation: **Geoffroy de Lagasnerie** (Paris), **Christoph Menke** (Frankfurt/Main) **Jean-Luc Nancy** (Strasbourg), **Donatella Della Porta** (Florence), **Sylvia Sasse** (Zurich) and **Karl Schlögel** (Berlin).

Another 36 international scholars from all levels and across various disciplines (Philosophy, Slavic Studies, Political Science, Gender Studies, History, Sociology) are invited to tackle this event from different perspectives. The conference comprises of 12 different panels that tackle such topics as: Revolutionary Philosophy, Revolutionizing Everyday Life, Commemorating the Revolution and the Politics of Remembrance, Religion and Revolution, Masses-Party-Collectives, Founding Revolutionary Practices, Revolutionary Law, Revolutionary Constants: Between Contingency and Necessity, Aesthetic Readings of the Revolution etc. Our aim is to consider in a collective attempt the significance of the Russian Revolution and to further our critical understanding of the concept and practice of revolution today.

For more details concerning the Call for Papers, the Keynote Speakers, the formalities of an abstract, as well as for a still preliminary version of the program, you can visit: www.unisg.ch/revolution2017

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