

# **Sociologies in dialogue and Post-Western Theory**

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**with Professor Daishiro Nomiya, Visiting Professor**

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The International Advanced Laboratory (IAL) ENS Lyon-CNRS (Triangle) /Chinese Academy of Social Sciences *Post-Western Sociology in China and in Europe* has produced a non-hegemonic sociology through the confrontation of paradigms and field sciences in a global context of acceleration and circulation of knowledge. We have first privileged the crossing of views between Chinese and French researchers on the traditions and scientific controversies in French and Chinese sociologies. Eminent Japanese - such as Professor Shujiro Yazawa and Professor Dai Nomiya - and Korean scientists now participate in IAL's academic activities. *The Handbook of Post-Western Sociology. From East Asia to Europe*, co-edited by L. Roulleau-Berger, Li Peilin, Kim Seung-Kuk, Shujiro Yazawa will be published in March 2023 by Brill Publishers. Professor Dai Nomiya contributed to this Handbook.

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**Ph. D. Seminar**

**Dialogue between Japanese and French sociology**

**March the 9**

**9:30 am-4:00 pm**

**ENS Lyon 15 parvis Descartes room D4 260**

**9:30 am-10:00 am** : Introduction by

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**Daishiro Nomiya**, Professor of sociology, Chuo University, Director and Program Chair Global Sociology, Vice-president of the East Asian Sociological Association

**10 :00 am – 10 :15 am** : **Oscar Truong**, Ph.D. candidate in sociology, ENS of Lyon, Triangle : *Transcritical Archipelago in East Asia. Critical Aspirations, subjectivities and collective Micro-Mobilizations*.

In East Asia (China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Japan), some effects of modernity on societies are contested by young artists and cultural actors. A transnational archipelago of autonomous spaces brings together these young people who develop critical dispositions towards the authoritarian and neoliberal character of their societies. Built around shared affects, identity and norms, this network of spaces allows this youth to discuss and organize their indignation. In this context, it is from collective artistic, cultural and social practices that this youth manages to strategically build its own spaces, to give meaning to its aspirations, indignation and revolts. This research focuses on a main field of investigation in Canton and secondary fields in China (Wuhan, Shanghai) and in East Asia (Japan, Taiwan, Hong-Kong). These spaces, which become invisible by taking the form of shops, art galleries, youth hostels, bookstores or infoshops, bring together young people on a daily basis around cultural, creative and associative activities. Through their practices, whether banal, social or artistic, these young people mobilize collectively to share standards of mutual aid, self-management and justice. It is from the diffusion of these transnational artistic productions, lifestyle and minority norms within the spaces that the network and connections of this Transcritical Archipelago in East Asia are established.

**10:15 am-10:30 am** : comments and discussion opened by

**Daishiro Nomiya**, Professor of sociology, Chuo University, Director and Program Chair Global Sociology, Vice-president of the East Asian Sociological Association

**Jérémy Jammes** is Full Professor in Social Anthropology and Asian Studies at the Lyon Institute of Political Studies (Sciences Po Lyon), and Research fellow at the Lyon Institute of East Asian *Studies* (IAO, UMR 5062).

**10:30 am-10:45 am: Lucie Laplace**, Ph.D. candidate in political science, University Lumière Lyon 2, Triangle : *Livelihoods liberal programs: from a local inclusion objective to very unequal responsabilising practices*

This presentation summarises a chapter that studies the adaptation of the management categories of the exiled beneficiary public within the economic integration programmes in the main NGOs. It questions the appropriation dynamics of the categorisations of exile management policies and their effects both within the structures and on the targeted populations. Taking into account the targeting choices and partners of the four aid programmes, different (between Catholic NGOs and newer NGOs) and complementary understandings of a broader moral economy of this part of the asylum field in Ecuador emerge ("good migrant/refugee," "bad refugee," valued traits, exclusion criteria, etc.). The hypothesis at the heart of my chapter is that these categorisations are not neutral and produce unequal effects, tensions inside the NGOs and beneficiaries' selection.

**10:45 am-11: 00 am** : comments and discussion introduced by

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**Samir Hadj Belgacem**, Associate Professor, PhD in sociology, University Jean Monnet (Saint-Etienne), and is attached to the Max Weber Center

**11:00 am – 11:15 am : Liu Yuting**, Ph.D. candidate in sociology, East China Normal University (Shanghai)/ ENS of Lyon, Triangle : *Emotional digital work and Transnational Bloggers on Chinese Social Media Platforms*

At the intersection of the social media platform economy, characterized by the commodification of emotions, and the global digital work transcending national geographical boundaries, transnational bloggers and emotional digital work have emerged. This article examines how transnational bloggers participate in emotional digital work, with a focus on the issue of legitimacy in digital emotional capitalism. The findings show that transnational bloggers cultivate emotional connections with their Chinese followers. However, the monetization of emotions by transnational bloggers has been criticized by the Chinese audience, as it is seen as a betrayal of the established emotional connections and is also associated with Chinese cyber nationalism. Through the techniques of posting, the marketing strategy, and the moral negotiation of the self, transnational bloggers establish the legitimacy of their emotional commerce. This article responds to the theoretical question of how the combination of emotions and economics is possible, emphasizing the actions of digital workers in legitimizing emotional capitalism. The conclusion calls for a consideration of the digital forms of emotional capitalism

and invites a thorough examination of the competency of digital workers in participating in the global platform economy.

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**11:30 am-11:45 am** : **Tatiana Tepliashina**, Ph.D. candidate in anthropology, Lyon 2 University, IAO: "*Vietnamese Communist Youth Networks: Reflection on a multi-sited fieldwork*".

As one of the research methods in anthropology, multi-site ethnography can help to analyse the lifeworlds of variously situated phenomenon. In the context of my PhD research on the Vietnamese Youth and the Ho Chi Minh thought, such a multi-site fieldwork was held among the Vietnamese Young Communists. Its network geography extends throughout Vietnam as well as outside the country. After the fieldwork in North Vietnam (Hai Phong, Hanoi), South Vietnam (Can Tho) and Russia among Vietnamese Young Communists, data analysis questions arise.

**11: 45 am-12:00 am** : comments and discussion introduced by

**Daishiro Nomiya**, Professor of sociology, Chuo University, Director and Program Chair Global Sociology, Vice-president of the East Asian Sociological Association **Laurence Laurence Roulleau-Berger** Research Director at CNRS, HDR in sociology, French Director of the IAL Post-Western Sociology in China and in Europe, Triangle, ENS Lyon

**12:00 am-2:00 pm** : lunch at ENS Lyon

**2:00 pm- 3:00 pm**: Round of presentations of thesis topics

**2:00 pm-2:15 pm** :**Shin Jinwoo**, Ph.D. candidate in sociology, ENS of Lyon, Triangle :*Migrants, Labor Markets, Indecency and Depreciative Recognition - Skilled Asylum Seekers and Refugees in Korea and France*.

Within the framework of Korean and French asylum policies, social classifications and categorizations towards refugees and asylum seekers produce multiple forms of discrimination in terms of their access to French and Korean labor markets. This creates suspicion and mistrust among young refugees vis-à-vis the host societies. My research focuses here on the integration of young refugees with university degrees who seek to access skilled occupations. Confronted with challenges of disqualification, depreciative recognition and social stigmatization, the refugees encounter various regimes of indecency in the labor markets in both countries. The careers of these young refugees are built on the basis of biographical bifurcations (or major turning points) which are set differently according to the resources acquired in the societies of origin and host societies. During the different biographical bifurcations, the young refugees oscillate between loss of self, maintenance of self and reconquest of self according to the socio-

economic resources acquired in the society of origin, the nature of the biographical bifurcations, the inter-ethnic relations in the host labor markets.

**2:15 pm-2:30 pm: Pierre Manoury**, Ph.D. candidate in sociology , ENS of Lyon, Triangle :*"Environmental crisis" and public problems in China and France: Regimes of mistrust and intermediate actors.*

A global "environmental crisis" affects contemporary societies and leads to the formation of collective disturbances in China and France. The different social groups affected by these disturbances produce regimes of mistrust that alter interactions with other actors. NGOs, intermediate actors, emerge and participate in the structuring of new public arenas. Through their actions, these organizations weaken or intensify regimes of mistrust, thus contributing to the formation of public problems.

**2:30 pm-2:45 pm : Li Run**, Ph.D. candidate in sociology, East China Normal University (Shanghai)/ ENS of Lyon, Triangle:*Compressed modernities, precariousness and mobilizations of youth in China and in France*

In China, many young people in precarious situations begin to choose "lying flat"(Tang Ping, 躺平), which generally equals to a living situation of "working one day and playing three days". However, based on present studies, the "Tang Ping" phenomenon of social precariousness will also highlight the fragility of individualism and alienation of social network of these people, thus eroding the significance of individual existence. While young people in precarious situations and the intermediate space in France mobilize in a more active way, either in the form of resistance, contestation or self-mobilization. Based on the concept of "compressed modernity", which was firstly proposed by Chang Kyung-Sup, the study tries to emphasize the new forms of oppression and exploitation imposed on young people in precarious conditions by compressed modernity and the accompanying temporal compression. The purpose of this study is therefore to define two kinds of compressed modernity and compressed individuals, as well as the emotional capitalism experienced by individuals in this context, the generation and representation of their cultural practices, and finally the social mobilization forms of young people in precarious situations (resistance, adaptation or swing under the new capitalism).

**2:45 pm-3:00 pm: Li Meng**, Ph.D. candidate in sociology, East China Normal University (Shanghai)/ ENS of Lyon, Triangle:*Back to the Land : The New Peasants and the Environmental Movement in China*

A back-to-the-land movement is any of various agrarian movements across different historical periods, which has been extensively studied across the global south while it is a niche but emerging trend in China. A group of once-white-collar city dwellers organize themselves in alternative food networks, dreaming of a picture of unalienated, decommodified labor, while in reality there are always continuous negotiations between experiences of re-embedding in the community and the environment, and the on-going commodification of the farming experience.

**3:00pm-4:00 pm : Comments and discussion introduced by**

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