

'The Everyday Political Economies of Plural Policing'

17 & 18th January 2019

12.21/25, Social Sciences Building, University of Leeds

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It has become a truism that policing is no longer the exclusive domain of the police, but is rather carried out by a wide range of public, private and voluntary actors. Over the past three or so decades, our comparative understanding of 'plural policing' has moved forward considerably. An ever growing number of scholars have contributed towards the process of mapping out both the multiplicity of actors tasked with delivering policing functions on the ground and the array of regulatory structures responsible for steering these functions from above. Much less is known, however, about what happens when these policing actors and regulatory structures interact with one another on a daily basis.

To address this gap, we are pushing forward a research agenda on the 'Everyday Political Economies of Plural Policing'. At the core of this agenda are three questions. How do public, private and voluntary policing actors on the ground interpret and negotiate their way through the diversity of regulatory structures they encounter on an everyday level? What kinds of social, political and economic orders does this process bring into effect? How does this structure-agency dynamic play out within and across different parts of the globe? In seeking out answers to these questions we are interested not only in the formal characteristics of policing and regulatory institutions, but also about the mediating role of emotions, identity, culture and other less formal dimensions.

The aims of this two day international workshop are threefold:

- To launch formally the International Network on the Everyday Political Economies of Plural Policing, in the light of planning meetings held in Leeds in January 2018 and in Sarajevo at the European Society of Criminology conference in August/September 2018.
- To consider and plan the activities and work of the international network including possible publications (book series, Handbook and special issues of journals) aligned with the network.
- To discuss a small number of papers presented by invited delegates working on aspects of plural policing in different parts of the world and consider the intellectual coherence, themes and future directions in the everyday political economies of plural policing.

Confirmed Participants:

Tessa Diphorn (University of Utrecht)
Emilio Ayos (University of Buenos Aires)
Jacques de Maillard (CESDIP, Paris)
Ronald van Steden (VU Amsterdam)
Thomas Friis Sjøgaard (Aarhus University)
Martin Nøkleberg (University of Oslo)
Ruishan Wang (EUCPL, Shanghai)
Alice Hills (Visiting Professor, Leeds)
Philip Stenning (Visiting Professor, Leeds)
Alexandra Abello-Colak (LSE)
Adam White (University of Sheffield)

Megan O'Neill (University of Dundee)
Melissa Pepper (Surrey University)
Alison Wakefield (Portsmouth University)
Anna Barker (University of Leeds)
Sean Butcher (University of Leeds)
David Churchill (University of Leeds)
Adam Crawford (University of Leeds)
Declan Falconer (University of Leeds)
Stuart Lister (University of Leeds)
Roberto Musotto (University of Leeds)
Jules Willan (Emerald Publishers)

Thursday 17th January

1.00pm	<i>Registration</i>
1.15pm	Adam Crawford <i>'Decentring the Police from Policing'</i> Discussant: Philip Stenning
2.30pm	Tessa Diphorn <i>“Arms for Mobility”: Policing Partnerships and Material Exchanges in Nairobi, Kenya'</i> Alice Hills <i>'Relations between Security Forces in Mogadishu'</i> Discussant: Alison Wakefield
4.00pm	<i>Tea/Coffee</i>
4.15-5.45 pm	Adam White <i>'Transcending Global North-South Oppositionalism: Police-Private Security Relations in Mexico and the United Kingdom'</i> Emilio Ayos <i>'Policing Youth Beyond the Police: Crime prevention and social policy during the neoliberal hegemony reconstruction in Argentina'</i> Discussant: Alexandra Abello-Colak

Friday 18th January

9.30am	Ronald van Steden <i>'Do-It-Yourself Policing: WhatsApp Crime Prevention in the Netherlands'</i> Jacques de Maillard <i>'The challenges of plural policing on the ground. The example of Paris and a (modest) agenda for future research'</i> Discussant: Anna Barker
11.00-11.15am	<i>Coffee/Tea</i>
11.15-12.45am	Roundtable: Where to Next? Chair: Philip Stenning Panellists: Megan O'Neill, David Churchill, Thomas Friis Sogaard, Tessa Diphorn & Stuart Lister
12.45pm	Lunch