COMPLICITY and the POLITICS of REPRESENTATION

16. - 18. Juni
Bahnhof Langendreer, Bochum
Cornelia Wächter (Ruhr-Universität Bochum)
Robert Wirth (Universität Paderborn)



PROGRAMME

RUHR UNIVERSITÄT BOCHUM







THURSDAY, 15 JUNE

19:00 CONFERENCE WARMING

Taverna Avli (Bochum City)

FRIDAY, 16 JUNE

09:30 - 10:00 Registration; Coffee/Tea

10:00 - 10:30 WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Downstairs

Cornelia Wächter and Robert Wirth

Complicity: Concept, Cases and Critique

Robin Dunford and Michael Neu

10:30 - 12:00 INTELLECTUAL COMPLICITY

Downstairs

Chair: Christoph Singer

Bob Brecher and Michael Neu

Intellectual Complicity in Defenses of Interrogational Torture

Robin Dunford

Intellectual Complicity and the Politics of Human Rights

Brendan Moran

Nostra Culpa: Authorial Identification in Academia

12:00 - 12:30 Coffee/Tea

12:30 - 13:30 DOMINANT COMPLICITIES

Downstairs

Chair: Mark Schmitt

Torsten Menge

Power, Collective Acceptance, and Ontological Complicity

Anna Volkmar

Complicity in the Anthroposcene: Jürgen Nefzger's Nuclear Landscape Photography

COMPLICITY AND THE NATION

Upstairs

Chair: Alexandra Hartmann

Alina Maria Asavei

Cultural Production under Romanian Communism: Between Euphemized Submission and Audience's Complicity

Christoph Singer

"Make the Show Look Balanced": Complicity and the Partition of India in Howard Brenton's *Drawing the Line*

FRIDAY, 16 JUNE

13:30 - 14:30 Lunch
Catering by Middle East e.V.

14:30 - 16:00 GREY ZONES OF COMPLICITY

Downstairs

Chair: Christine Berberich

Silvia Ferrari, Verbena Giambastani and Vale Ferraretto

The Complicity of the Grey: The Notion of the Grey Zone from Levi to Arendt and Agamben

Hugh McDonnell

'The Grey Zone': Complicity and the Politics of Representation in Memory and Culture - The Cases of Vichy France (1940-1944) and Argentina's Dirty War (1976-1983)

COMPLICIT AUTHORS, COMPLICIT TEXTS

Upstairs

Chair: Katrin Röder

Olaf Berwald

Self-Incriminations: Guilt and Autonomy in Hermann Broch's and Geoffrey Hill's Works

Michael Mitchell

"There Be No Road Between": Arthur Miller's *The Crucible* and Complicity with Moral Panic

Lorraine Markotic

Forms of Literary Complicity: The Naturalizing, Psychologizing, and Aestheticizing of National Socialist Persecution

16:00 - 16:30 Coffee/Tea

16:30 - 17:30 KEYNOTE PAPER

Downstairs

Chair: Cornelia Wächter

Emeritus Professor John Storey, University of Sunderland A Radical Unfolding: Utopia Against Complicity

17:30 Drinks reception & book launch:

Exploring Complicity: Concept, Cases and Critique

Edited by Afxentis Afxentiou, Robin Dunford and Michael Neu (Rowman and Littlefield, 2016)

Reception and dinner at Kneipe im Bahnhof (Bochum Langendreer)

SATURDAY, 17 JUNE

10:00 - 10:30 Coffee/Tea

10:30 - 11:30 COMPLICITY AND 18TH CENTURY BRITAIN

Downstairs

Chair: Christoph Ehland

Mihaela Irimia

I spy with my little eye something complicitly simple: Eighteenth-Century Caricature Tricks

Andrew Lincoln

War and the Language of Humanity in Eighteenth-Century Britain

11:30 - 12:00 Coffee/Tea

12:00 - 13:00 COLONIAL COMPLICITIES

Downstairs

Chair: Mihaela Irimia

Christoph Ehland

Complicit Friends: The Cultural Ambiguities of Empire in Anglo-Indian Writing

Chen Tzoref Ashkenazi

Complicity against or with Hinduism? British and German Romantics on India

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

Catering by Middle East e.V.

SATURDAY, 17 JUNE

COMPLICITY OF LITERARY FORM

Downstairs

Chair: Ivan Stacy

Bielefeld Study Group for Critical
Discursive Narratology
(Marcus Harnter, Jessica Koch,
Katharina Pietsch, Ronja Waldherr,
Ralf Schneider, Tyll Zybura)
The Complicity of Literary Form:
The Theory and Practice of Critical
Discursive Narratology

Paul Reynolds

Of Rhetoric, Language Games and Evocations: Complicity, Ethics, Politics and Representation

COMPLICITY AND THE 'ORDI-NARY GERMAN' IN WWII

Upstairs

Chair: Sebastian Berg

Christine Berberich

'I am just like you': Being (forced) in(to) the Perpetrator's Shoes – Jonathan Littell's *The Kindly Ones* and the Ethics of Representation

Lola Serraf

Complicit Reading of Perpetrator Narratives: Should We Burn Jonathan Littell's *The Kindly Ones* (2010)?

Volker Benkert

Complicity on the Small Screen: Ordinary Germans as Perpetrators in Recent TV Miniseries

15:30 - 16:00 Coffee/Tea

16:00 - 17:00 COMPLICITY AND HEALTH

Upstairs

Chair: Elizabeth Gilbert

Katrin Röder

Challenging Complicity in Ableism: Disability Writing and Disability Performative Art by British and Irish Women

Elisabeth Punzi

Complicity in Mental Health Care

19:00 Conference Dinner

Neuland – Bar*Bistro*Stadtzimmer

SUNDAY, 18 JUNE

10:00 - 11:30 COMPLICITY AND CHILDHOOD

Upstairs

Chair: Ralf Schneider

Elizabeth Gilbert

"...to understand everything that came her way": Complicity and the Child Protagonist

Eli Teram

The Representation of Complicity in Child Sexual Abuse: Certainty versus Ambiguity in *Spotlight* and *Doubt*

11:30 - 12:00 Coffee/Tea

12:00 - 13:30 COMPLICITY AND THE ETHICS OF RECEPTION

Upstairs

Chair: Marcus Hartner

Alexandra Hartmann

The Black Counter-Gaze: Revealing Complicity in White Privilege

Ivan Stacy

Memory, Forgetting, and Complicity in the Novels of Kazuo Ishiguro

Franziska Quabeck

The Silent Witness to Unauthentic Narration

13:30 - 14:00 Closing Remarks & End of the Conference

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