

Agreement and Conferences Cycle between German University and UPRRP

As part of the efforts for internationalization of University of Puerto Rico, *Recinto de Río Piedras* (UPRRP), a cycle of conferences on issues of international and global development, inequality, extractivism, social-labor policies, race and gender, and others will be held by professors and scientists from the University of Kassel in Germany from 29th to 31st march 2016.

The conference cycle is part of the first academic exchange between UPRRP and the German University. It will be coordinated by the Planning Graduation School, the Center of Social Research (CIS) and the Social Sciences Faculty's Sociology Graduate Program of the *riopedrense* campus.

"This conference cycle is an appropriate beginning to organize and develop investigation, seminars, and publication projects between professors, investigators and students of the University of Puerto Rico and the Kassel University. It is an academic commitment, which shows the importance and exceptional input for our academic community and institution.", said Dr. Laura Ortiz, CIS Director and the Cycle Coordinator.

She added "we have the opportunity to consolidate an academic partnership with the University of Kassel and its representatives during the conference cycle week. The bilateral benefits generated from these initiatives and projects will strengthen the international position of the University of Puerto Rico, and our country as well".

On Tuesday, 29th march at 10:00 a.m., a conference on "Developmentalism: Internal and External Challenges" by Dr. Christoph Scherrer, from the University of Kassel, Germany, will take place at the Conference room 108 in the *Carmen Rivera Alvarado* building of the Social sciences Faculty.

Likewise, the conference on "Comparative perspective in development and extractivism" by Dr. Hans-Jürgen Burchardt, from the same university, will be held at 3:00 p.m. at the University square, Central Tower, 3rd floor, sponsored by the Planning Graduate School.

Meanwhile, on Wednesday 30th at 10:00 a.m., with the support of the Sociology Graduate Program, a colloquium on "Colonial legacies in Puerto Rico and Philippines" will be held by Julián Go from Boston University and Dr. Lanny Thompson, from UPR, also at the University square, Central tower, 3rd floor.

The conference on "Race and Gender in Postwar Airline Advertising for the Caribbean" by Dr. Anke Ortlepp from the University of Kassel will be held on Thursday, April 1st at 10:00 a.m. at the Conference room 108 -*Carmen Rivera Alvarado* building. Moreover, the last conference, "Inequality and Social-labor policies in Latin America", by Dr. Hans-Jürgen Burchardt, also from the University of Kassel, will be held in the Conference room 238 of *Ramón Emeterio Betances* building at the Faculty of Social Sciences.

"These conferences collect a diversity of topics and interests that go beyond the social sciences, and invite us to think in an interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary way. We invite all students and scholars from the University of Puerto Rico to participate in these conferences", said Ortiz.

The conferences are open to the community and are free from admission fees. For more information, contact CIS by phone 787-764-0000, extension 87756.

Conferences Cycle

First Exchange between the University of Kassel and the University of Puerto Rico

Recinto de Río Piedra Campus: from March 29th to April 01st, 2016

Tuesday, March 29th, 2016

10:00 am: Conference, Social Sciences Faculty, Building CRA, Conference room 108

DEVELOPMENTALISM. INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL CHALLENGES

Dr. Christoph Scherrer, University of Kassel, Germany

Moderator: Dr. Emilio Pantojas García, Center of Social Research

3:00 pm: Conference, Planning Graduate School, University square, Central Tower, 3rd floor, Conference room 3072-3073

A COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE IN DEVELOPMENT AND EXTRACTIVISM

Dr. Hans-Jürgen Burchardt, University of Kassel, Germany

Moderator: Dr. Luis Santiago, Planning Graduate School

Wednesday, March 30th, 2016

10:00 am: Colloquium, Planning Graduate School. University square, central tower, 3rd floor, Conference room 3072-3073

COLONIAL LEGACIES IN PUERTO RICO AND PHILIPPINES

Dr. Julián Go, Boston University, United States of America

Dr. Larry Thompson, University of Puerto Rico, Puerto Rico

Moderator: Dr. Ángel G: Quintero Rivera, Center of Social Research

Thursday, 31st March, 2016

10:00 am: Conference, Social sciences faculty, CRA BUILDING; Conference room 108

RACE AND GENDER IN POSTWAR AIRLINE ADVERTISING FOR THE CARIBBEAN

Dra. Anke Ortlep, University of Kassel, Germany

Moderator: Dra. Beatriz Morales Alequín, Communication School

3:00 pm: Conference, Social Sciences Faculty, REB building, Conference room 238

INEQUALITY AND SOCIAL-LABOR POLICIES IN LATIN AMERICA

Dr. Hans-Jürgen Burchardt, University of Kassel, Germany

Moderator: Dra. Tania García Ramos, Labor Relations Institute

Friday, 01st April, 2016

Planning Graduate School, University square, central tower, 7th floor, room 7033

10:00 am: Meeting with speakers, professors and researchers seminars and publication projects agreement as the beginning of the exchange with the University of Kassel and its representatives.

3:00 pm: Meeting with directors and the conferences cycle's speakers, in the framework of the Exchange with the University of Kassel and its representatives.

Sponsors: University of Kassel – Germany, Director Office, Planning Graduate School, Sociology Graduate Program and Center of Social Research of the Social Sciences Faculty from *Recinto de Río Piedra*, University of Puerto Rico.