# Programme

## Closing Conference of the ZiF Research Group

### In Search of the Global Labour Market

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31st January – 1st February 2019

### Thursday, 31st January (Plenary Hall)

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| 10:00 - 10:45 | **Panel 1: Labour – Or what is exchanged as a commodity in labour markets?**  
*What is exchanged in labour markets? Some heterodox thoughts*  
*Marcel van der Linden (Amsterdam)* |
| 10:45 - 11:30 | **Capitalism and free wage labour**  
*Thomas Welskopp (Bielefeld)* |
| 11:30 - 11:45 | Coffee break                                                        |
| 11:45 - 12:30 | **Is forced labour the new normal?**  
*Richard Hyman (London)* |
| 12:30 - 13:30 | Lunch                                                               |

### Panel 2: The market concept and its heuristic potential

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| 13:30 - 14:45 | **What is so unique about labour markets?**  
*Patrik Aspers (Uppsala)* |
|               | The contributions and limits of a market perspective on labour markets  
*Karen Shire (Duisburg-Essen)* |
| 14:45 - 15:30 | **The co-production of labor markets and nation states, 1850-2000**  
*Peter-Paul Bänziger (Basel)* |
| 15:30 - 16:00 | Coffee and cake                                                      |
16:00 - 16:45 Is there a global labour ‘market’? Analytical capacities and ‘blind spots’ of the market concept in analyzing cross border labour migration
Ursula Mense-Petermann (Bielefeld) & Helen Schwenken (Osnabrück)

Panel 3: What enables a labour market to cross national borders?

16:45 - 17:30 Intermediaries and the making of cross-border labor markets
Karen Shire (Duisburg-Essen)

17:30 - 18:15 Emergence and decline of institutions: A transnational perspective
Sigrid Quack, (Duisburg-Essen)

19:00 Dinner at ZiF

Friday, 1st February (Plenary Hall)

Panel 3 cont’d

09:00 - 09:45 Immigration, social networks and occupational mismatch (joint work with S. Alaverdyan)
Anna Zaharieva (Bielefeld)

09:45 - 10:30 Cross-border journalism and mobility
Sven Kesselring (Nürtingen-Geislingen)

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 - 11:45 Eastern European service contract workers in the German meat industry – A case study in market making of a transnational labour market
Ursula Mense-Petermann (Bielefeld)

11:45 -12:30 Can job search assistance improve the labour market integration of refugees?
Michele Battisti (Glasgow)

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch

Panel 4: Are there global labour markets?

13:30 - 14:15 The global and its scales
Eleonore Kofman (London)

14:15 - 15:00 What are ‘global’ markets? Historical-sociological ideas
Tobias Werron (Bielefeld)

15:00 - 15:30 Coffee and cake

15:30 - 16:15 Global policies and discourses of intergovernmental and nongovernmental international organisations: The example of refugees and migration
Rebecca Gumbrell-McCormick (London) & Alexandra Kaasch (Bielefeld)

19:30 Dinner (Restaurant Vahle, Wertherstraße 24, 33615 Bielefeld, self pay)