(ARC Discovery 2015-2017) Ethical Restoration after Oppressive Violence: a multidisciplinary roundtable on maintaining and restoring trust

This ARC supported project aims to address the central problem of how we can respond to the legacy of oppression and political violence in ways that are ethical and not self-destructive or destructive of the rights of others. Critical to the processes of restoring peace and justice in both transitional and democratic societies and preventing mass atrocities are issues of trust and good will. These conditions are explored in this cross-disciplinary roundtable through questions such as: what is necessary for trust? What practices foster emotional cultures of trust? How is trust implicit in both violence prevention and restoration after conflict and violence?

Presenters
Dr Simone Drichel (Otago, NZ)
Dr Stephen McLaughlin (Griffith)
Dr Anne Brown (UQ)
(CI) A/Professor Marguerite La Caze (UQ)
Professor Roland Bleiker (UQ)

Date: 30th November 2015
Time: 10am-5pm
Venue: Room 356, Forgan Smith Building (1)
RSVP by 23rd November 2015, to Ms Terrilyn Sweep, t.sweep@uq.edu.au

Dr Simone Drichel is a lecturer and researcher at the University of Otago, NZ. Her expertise is in New Zealand and postcolonial literature, postcolonial theory, psychoanalysis and continental philosophy. Simone will be talking about “Trust and Relationality”.

Dr Stephen McLaughlin is a research fellow at the Griffith Asia Institute and Centre for Governance and Public Policy at Griffith University. His research interests include mass atrocities early warning, structural prevention of mass atrocities, ethnic conflict in post-communist states, and the responsibility to protect. Stephen will be talking about “The Role of Resilience in the Prevention of Mass Atrocities”.

Dr Anne Brown is a senior research fellow at the School of Political Science & International Studies at UQ. Her expertise is in peace-building and post-conflict reconstruction; community building and conflict resolution; and inter-cultural dialogue. Anne will be reflecting on the role of the body, space and a relational epistemology of trust.

Associate Professor Marguerite La Caze is the Chief Investigator (CI) for this project and she is a lecturer and researcher at UQ. Her research interests include European philosophy, feminist philosophy, moral psychology, and aesthetics. Marguerite will be discussing “Trust, Truthfulness and Sincerity”.

Professor Roland Bleiker is a lecturer and researcher at the School of Political Science and International Studies at UQ. His expertise is in international political theory; images and emotions in world politics; postcolonial and feminist international relations; and security politics on the Korean peninsula. Roland will be introducing his topic of “Emotions and Post-Conflict Reconstruction”, which will be followed by a panel discussion.

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