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Prospects and Limits of Platform Control

Relating Algorithmic Management to Worker Agency

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Program



Thursday, May 5

10:00 Welcome

Panel I – Platform Power and Worker Agency

Discussant: Kathleen Griesbach

- 10:15 Playing Cat-and-Mouse with a Platform: Attention Games under Algorithmic Management
[Ashley Mears](#), [Elif Birced](#)
- 10:45 Disrupting Reputation: Navigating Platform Precarity in the Remote Gig Economy
[Alex Wood](#)
- 11:15 Heroes From Above but Not (Always) from Below? Gig Workers' Reactions to the Sudden Public Moralization of Their Work
[Michel Anteby](#)
- 12:00 Lunch

Panel II – Platform Power in the Gig Economy: Beyond Algorithms

Discussant: Georg Rilinger

- 14:00 Platform Labor, Algorithmic Management, and the Extension of the Corporation at Amazon
[Armin Beverungen](#)
- 14:30 Moving Beyond Uber: Two Modes of Organization and Work in the German Platform Economy
[Stefan Kirchner](#)
- 15:00 How to Do Things at Scale: On the Limits of (Focusing on) Algorithmic Control
[Niels van Doorn](#)
- 15:30 Coffee

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- 16:00 Complicating the Uberization Narrative
Keynote (via Zoom)
[Juliet Schor](#)

End 17:30

19:00 Dinner at *Haus Müller, Achterstr. 2, 50678 Köln*

Friday, May 6

Panel III – Intermediaries and Feedback Loops in the Algorithmic Workplace

Discussant: Arianna Tassinari

- 10:00 Does Work Still Pay? Worker Autonomy, Technology Embeddedness, and Unpaid Labor in the Platform Economy
[Valeria Pulignano](#)
- 10:30 Impartial or Captured? How Online and Offline Labor Market Intermediaries Handle Workplace Disputes
[Gretta Corporaal](#)
- 11:00 The Use of Wearables and Digital Assistance Systems and Negotiation of These Technologies in German Workplaces
[Christine Gerber](#), [Martin Krzywdzinski](#)
- 12:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Concluding discussion
Synthesis of conference and potential future directions

End 15:30