

**FINANCIAL RESILIENCE IN THE WAKE OF THE CRISIS
WORKSHOP
FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2013**

In the wake of the Global Financial Crisis, forms of financial resilience are becoming increasingly prevalent. On the one hand, a resilience agenda is emerging in those agencies responsible for financial and macro-prudential regulation, including stress testing agendas, financial literacy/inclusion programmes, and business continuity planning. On the other hand, resilient solutions can also be identified in other forms of financial agency, such as peer-to-peer lending schemes, local currency initiatives, and alternative models of personal banking. This workshop seeks to interrogate emerging forms of financial resilience in order to consider the ethical and political implications of resilience agendas. Despite the considerable work that the concept does in financial policy and practice, there is still relatively little critical commentary on how resilient solutions problematise threats in particular ways and what the ethical and political consequences of this framing might be. For instance, financial resilience is imbued with a logic of coping with potential future threat, but this may also serve to silence financial insecurities/experiences that cannot be emplaced within an 'event-response' frame. Therefore this workshop addresses topics such as the relationship between resilience and existing financial structures, the role of resilience talk in consolidating existing understandings of financial 'risk', and how different ways of thinking/doing resilience might lead to new ways of imagining global finance.

Resilience as Governance (1.00-2.30pm)

- David Chandler (Westminster) *Financial Markets, Resilience and the Governance of Complexity*
- Tudor Vilcan (Southampton) *Depoliticised Agency: Resilience, Ontology and Adaptive Systems*
- Charlotte Heath-Kelly (Warwick) *The Political Life of Events: Absorption and Excess in Emergency Recovery*

Resilience in Financial Reform (2.45-4.15pm)

- Andrew Baker (Queens Belfast) *The Bankers' Paradox: Financial Resilience and the Politics of Regulatory Minimalism*
- Paul Langley (Durham) *After Crisis Governance: Risk, Regulation, and Resilience*
- Sam McPhilemy (Warwick) *Resilience Now! The Pro-cyclical Implementation of Basel III in the EU*

Resilience in Financial Practice (4.30-6.00pm)

- James Brassett and Chris Holmes (Warwick) *Evolution Through Resilient Networks? The Practice and Politics of Financial Systems*
- Chris Clarke (Warwick) *Big Finance and Little People: The Politics of Building Resilience Through Financial Literacy Education*
- Elizabeth Cobbett (East Anglia) *Cashless Nigeria: Haute Finance and the Mass Market of Unbanked Africans*