

The Ethnography Circle

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Making Waves: the Aftermath and 'Impact' of Ethnography



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This event will be from 3.30-5.00pm in the Wolfson Research Exchange.

The Circle is a series of informal, multidisciplinary discussions which alternate presentations by leading ethnographers with group sessions where participants reflect on ethnographic research practices. The Circle will run in term 1 and 2 of the academic year 2016-17. Participation is open to all Warwick students/faculty and is extended to students from other DTCs. This is the third edition of the event which is organized by the IKON research group.

As hinted by the title “Making Waves: The Aftermath and ‘Impact’ of Ethnography,” this year we will explore exactly what happens when field-work concludes. Ethnography takes place through a dialogue between the researcher and those who make up the field investigated in a relationship with unclear consequences.

This important yet often overlooked aspect of ethnography is what we plan to focus on. In five meetings we will discuss how ethnographers exit the field, present their findings to informants and the outside world, and what outcomes might ensue. We plan to draw on the experience of the audience, cases of ethnographers dealing with the (good and bad) outcomes of their work, and the expertise of guests whose work illustrates these issues.

Pedro Monteiro and Davide Nicolini
(IKON, Warwick Business School)

Wednesday 2 November Chiara Garattini (Intel)

Leveraging Ethnographic Insights as an Applied Anthropologist

Chiara Garattini is an anthropologist in the Health & Life Sciences group at Intel. Previously she worked in the field of death studies for her doctoral dissertation (Maynooth University) and on ageing, technology and chronic illnesses as postdoctoral researcher and ethnography lead at the Technology Research for Independent Living (TRIL) Centre, University College Dublin.

Her expertise revolves mainly around health, technology, and user experience (UX) research. She has a particular interest in exploring the way people understand and interact with technologies, and the challenges faced when it is translated from the lab to the real world. Her research currently focuses on biotechnology, bioinformatics and bioethics.

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