



Preliminary Program

**Workshop 5 Years After Rana Plaza: Consequences for Labor Standards
Improvements in Garment Supply Chains**

April 27-28, 2018

Freie Universität Berlin, School of Business & Economics
Garystraße 21, Room 103, 14195 Berlin

Friday, 27 April 2018

1:30 Welcome by Elke Schüßler and Nora Lohmeyer

2:00-3:30 Panel Discussion: Approaches to governing labor standards in the global garment industry

Panelists:

- Dr. Gisela Burckhardt (Femnet)
- Dr. Carolijn Terwindt (European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights, ECCHR)
- Dr. Frank Hoffer (Action Collaboration Transformation, ACT)
- Miriam Neale (Head of Signatory Engagement, Accord)

Moderation: Juliane Reinecke

3:30-4:00 *Coffee Break*

4:00-5:30 Presentations and Discussion: Insights from Bangladesh

- Juliane Reinecke and Jimmy Donaghey: *Stitching governance through collective endeavour: The Bangladesh Accord as transnational institution building*
- Steve Frenkel, Shahidur Rahman, and Mahmudur Rahman: *After Rana Plaza: Governance, processes and effects in Bangladesh's garment export factories*
- Naila Kabeer and Simeen Mahmud: *Multi-stakeholder governance initiatives in the wake of Rana Plaza: workers' perspectives from Bangladesh*

Discussant: Huib Huyse

Session Chair: Elke Schüßler

6:30 *Joint Dinner*

We look forward to a joint dinner in a restaurant close to the Campus.
Please note that this dinner is at your own expense.

Saturday, 28 April 2018

9:30-11:00 Presentations and Discussion: Legal and Labor Rights Perspectives

- Johannes Norpoth and Christian Scheper: *Practices of legality in transnational labour regulation: The case of the Bangladesh Accord on Fire and Building Safety*
- Sabrina Zajak, Eva Kocher, Nina Wienkoop, Anna Heinen: *The mobilization of law and transnational legal activism in post-Rana Plaza Bangladesh*
- Rebecca Prentice: *Labour rights from labour wrongs? Rana Plaza and the new era of workers' compensation*

Discussant: N.N.

Session Chair: Steve Frenkel

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-1:00 Presentations and Discussion: Making Lead Firms Accountable

- Jeroen Merk: *Constructing new spatialities of transnational labor governance in the garment industry: discussing the opportunities, dilemma's, and limitations of triangular agreements*
- Dorothee Baumann-Pauly and April Gu: *Towards a new paradigm of shared responsibility for labor rights in global supply chains*
- Shahidur Rahman and Mahmudur Rahman: *Multi-actor co-responsibility initiatives in the global garment value chain: Perspective from Bangladesh garment factory management*

Discussant: Mohammad Bakhtiar Rana

Session Chair: Juliane Reinecke

1:00-2:00 Lunch

2:00-3:30 Presentations and Discussion: Modes of Private Governance

- Nicole Helmerich: *The implementation of codes of conduct in garment sector: Fair labor initiative and social accountability 8000 in central America and the Caribbean*
- Kristin Huber and Maximilian J. L. Schormair: *From progressive to conservative and back: constructing political CSR identities in multi-stakeholder initiatives – the case of the "Accord on Fire and Building Safety in Bangladesh"*
- Lilian Mouan: *Transparency and the politics of accountability in transnational supply chains*

Discussant: Steve Frenkel

Session Chair: Niklas Egels-Zandén

3:30-4:00 Coffee Break

4:00-5:30 Presentations and Discussion: National Level Initiatives and Perspectives

- Erin Leitheiser and Jeremy Moon: *Drawing lines and taking sides: How national context shapes the organization of international private governance arrangements*
- Alice Evans: *Hope for Reform: Strengthening Corporate Accountability in Global Production Networks*
- Julia Grimm: *When competing companies call a truce to set higher standards: Evidence from the field*

Discussant: Tina Sendlhofer

Session Chair: Sarah Ashwin

5:30-6:00 Concluding Remarks and Discussion