CAPITAL, CLASS, AND CRISIS: REFLECTIONS ON SOUTH KOREA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM

Bowland North, Seminar Room 8, 1.30-5.00, with tea, coffee, and refreshments at 3.00 pm

1. Session One, 1.30-2.45

A Tale of Two Crises: the Asian Crisis in Korea, 1997-2001, and the North Atlantic Crisis in the UK, 2007-2012 – Dr Joo-Hyoung Jl and Prof. Bob Jessop

The presentation locates the crises in their national, regional, and global context, focuses on policy learning in crisis contexts, and addresses the capacity for crisis-management and learning from crisis. We also consider how South Korea has responded to the North Atlantic Crisis and how the UK response to the current crisis has been shaped by neo-liberal lessons learnt in the 1980s in the UK.

Discussant (Provisional): Dr Ngai-Ling Sum (PPR)

2. 'The Transnational Capitalist Class and the Financialization of South Korea', Prof. Jinho JANG (Global Political Economy Research Institute, Seoul)

The paper draws on Professor Jang's research on the formation of the transnational capitalist class, the growth of financialization and its implications for finance-dominated accumulation, and the extent to which these trends have been transferred to South Korea, with reflections on their implications for the logic of the developmental state in a neo-liberal era.

Discussant (Provisional): Mr Mathis Heinrich (Sociology)



All Welcome

