

Resistance, Dissent and Innovation: Perspectives from Around the World

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The third edition of this special workshop counts with scholars from Asia, Europe, Australia, and the Americas. Besides direct invitations, the convenor will openly accept related papers from academics who have work or interest on the theme.

This workshop's theme involves the notions of **"Resistance", "Dissent", and "Innovation"** within the law or despite the law. Behaviors of resistance and dissent can be related and observed in all sorts of societies: democratic and respectful of fundamental rights, authoritarian, and in those that fall somewhere in between the first two extremes. To resist and to dissent imply not only to have a possibility but also to make a choice to divergently speak out, omit, or act in face of rules, opinions, or conducts of others. They may offer alternatives to existing perspectives and bring about innovation that triggers technical, social, political, or theoretical changes. Innovation and dissent can be linked, because the first implies a degree of rupture with what already exists (be it forms of thought and behavior, traditional ways, or accepted standards). The workshop's overall aim is to investigate, exemplify, and better conceptualize any or all of those three notions and establish possible relations between them – how they can be conceptualized, how they manifest themselves, and how they are received. Historical and recent illustrations of how resistance, dissent, and innovation have been regulated are of particular importance.

The convenor wishes to bring together scholars from different jurisdictions and political contexts. Any other themes connected to the three main notions as well as studies concerning representative illustrations and reactions to them can be submitted. Open call to interested participants.

Language: English.

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