

# Hegemony and Multiculturalism

10th International Conference

New York, from 6th to 8th of October, 2004



Académie de la Latinité: From Alexandria to New York

## The Conference of New York

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Program

October 6th

99:00 am

#### Opening of the Conference

- Towards a Culture of Peace After 9/11 Federico Mayor - President of the Academy of Latinity
- · Globalization, Beyond and Backwards Craig Calhoun - President of the Social Science Research Council
- The Freezing of the Cultural Dialogue and the Reification of Difference Candido Mendes - General Secretary of the Academy of Latinity

#### Towards the World of Hegemony

- From Globalization to Integral Reality Jean Baudrillard
- · Globality, Totality and Weak Identities Gianni Vattimo
- · Dignity and Popular Politics in Contemporary Latin America Claudio Lomnitz

3:00 pm

#### The Subjective Limits of Hegemony

- · Left Politics, Identity, and Global Imagination Susan Buck-Morss
- The Islamic Identities of Afro-Americans Music and Violence Moustafa Bayoumi
- · Che Guevara, Malcom X, Franz Fanon and Ali Shariati: Crossing Revolutionary Boundaries Hamid Dabashi
- · On the Idea of Africa in the Global Imaginary Manthia Diawara

October 7th

10:00 am

#### Hegemony and the Return of Difference

- · The Post-National, the Cosmopolitan, the Global Craig Calhoun
- · Social Marginality, Collective Consciousness and Undermediations Candido Mendes
- · Beyond Anti-Americanism: European Intellectuals Dis-Engage with the United States Richard Sennett

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#### Dialogue, Distance and Voicing

- · Towards a Critical Latinity François L'Yvonnet
- · The Excess of Culture and the Elusive Enemy Enrique Rodríguez Larreta
- · Saturated Dialogues and the Effort of Othering. The Case of Turkey Nilüfer Göle

#### October 8th

10:00 am

#### The Emerging Identitarian Logics

- · The American Creed and the Post 9/11: Vision of Multiculturalism Samuel Huntington
- · Identitarian Logics and the Logics of Social Conflict Alain Touraine
- · Of Žižek, Huntington, and Beyond: Eurocentrism and Americanism Against the **Barbarian Threats**

Nelson Maldonado-Torres

#### - 3:00 pm

#### Identity and Representation in the Age of Hegemony

- · The Quest for the Other in a Time of Hegemony Nelson Vallejo Gomez
- · Huntington's Fears: "Latinidad" in the Horizon of the Modern/Colonial World Walter Mignolo
- · Reason and the Hegemonic Trap: the Ambiguity of Strength Marc Guillaume
- · Cultural Rights and Violence George Yúdice



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#### Participants

- Alain Touraine Agregé of history and doctor of philosophy. Doctor Honoris Causa of several European and Latin American universities including the Candido Mendes University in Rio de Janeiro. He is, respectively, correspondent member and member of various academies, including the Brazilian Academy of Letters and the Academy of Latinity. Author of a considerable work, after more than forty years he is the core of significant sociological and political discussions, specially in Latin America and in the Eastern Europe countries. Some of his latest publications are Le retour de l'acteur (1984), Critique de la modernité (1992), Quest'ce que la démocratie? (1994) and Comment sortir du libéralisme (1999).
- Candido Mendes Rector of the Candido Mendes University and Chairman of the Rio de Janeiro Forum of Rectors. Chairman of the Senior Board of the Social Sciences International Council of UNESCO. Secretary-General of the Academy of Latinity and member of the Brazilian Academy of Letters. Among his works are Nationalisme et développement (1963); Memento dos Vivos: a Esquerda Católica no Brasil (1967); Justice: faim de l'Église (1972); Contestation et développement (1974); A Democracia Desperdiçada (1992); Collor: Anos-Luz, Anos-Zero (1994); A Presidência Afortunada (1999); O País da Paciência (2000); Lula: a Opção mais que o Voto (2002); Lula: une gauche qui s'éveille (2004) and Lula: entre a Impaciência e a Esperança (2004).
- Claudio Lomnitz Professor of history and anthropology of the Chicago University. He works on nationalism and modernity issues and the local, national and international identity games crossing the history of Mexico, the anthropology of citizenship and the sociology of the intellectuals. He wrote Exits from the Labyrinth: Culture and Ideology in the Mexican National Space, and Modernidade Indiana: 9 Ensayos sobre Nación y Mediación en México.
- Craig Calhoun Chairman of the Social Science Research Council since 1999 and professor of sociology and history of the New York University. He wrote and published more than twelve books, including Culture, History and the Challenge of Difference (1995); Neither Gods nor Emperors: Students and the Struggle for Democracy in China (1994) and Habermas and the Public Sphere, Studies in Contemporary German Social Thought (1992).
- Enrique Rodríguez Larreta Director of the Cultural Pluralism Institute of Candido Mendes University. He wrote Gold is Illusion (2003) and published, among other works, Gilberto Freyre e a Sociologia Crítica (2001); Collective Imagination Limits and Beyond (2001) and Identity and Differences in the Global Era (2002).
- Federico Mayor Chairman of the Academy of Latinity, former Director-General of UNESCO, co-Chairman of the Sciences of the Living World Forum, and Chairman of the Foundation for the Culture of Peace.
- François L'Yvonnet Teacher of philosophy. Main publications with Albin Michel: Louis Massignon, mystique en dialogue (with Doninique Bourel, 1992); Simone Weil, le grand passage (1994); Le Mal (1996); D'un millénaire à l'autre (2000); L'Avenir de l'esprit (with Thierry Gaudin, 2001); D'un fragment l'autre (with Jean Baudrillard, 2001). With other publishers: Simone Weil (ADPF, 2000); Discours de la méthode créatrice (with Thierry Gaudin); Le Relié (2003). Author of the literary column and the main discussions of Question de magazine.
- George Yúdice Professor of the New York University and Director of the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies. Author of Literatura y Valor: a partir de la Postmodernidad; On Edge: the Crisis of Contemporary Latin American Culture, and Vicente Huidobro y la Motivación del Language Poético.
- Gianni Vattimo Professor of Aesthetic Philosophy and Theoretical Philosophy of the Torino University. Vice-Chairman of the Academy of Latinity. Deputy for the group of European Socialists of the European Parliament. Member of the scientific committees of a number of Italian and foreign magazines. Author, among others, of the following works: Le Avventure della Differenza (1980); Credere di Credere (1996), and Nichilismo ed Emancipazione: Etica, Politica, Diritto (2003).
- Hamid Dabashi Professor of Iranian Studies and Director of Graduate Studies of the Center for Comparative Literature and Society, Columbia University. Author of Authority in Islam: From the Rise of Muhammad to the Establishment of the Umayyads (1989); Theology of Discontent: the Ideological Foundation of the Islamic Revolution in Iran (1993); Truth and Narrative: the Untimely Thoughts of Ayn Al-Qudat Al-Hamadhani (1999), and Close Up: Iranian Cinema, Past, Present, Future (2001).

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- Jean Baudrillard − Philosopher, sociologist and writer. Author of La Société de Consommation (1970); Cool Memories (1987, 1990); La transparence du Mal (1990); L'Illusion de la fin (1992); Le crime parfait (1994), A l'ombre du millenaire (1998), and Le pacte de lucidité ou l'intelligence du Mal (2004).
- Manthia Diawara Mali professor of comparative literature and cinema of the New York University. He directs the Department of African Studies. Author of In Search of Africa.
- Marc Guillaume Professor of the Paris-Dauphine University, he created and directed the IRIS, a survey center associated to the CNRS. Member of the board of ANVIE and chairman of its scientific council. He published L'Empire des réseaux (1999) and Virus vert (2002). He conducts surveys on the critical analysis of long-standing development.
- ► Moustafa Bayoumi Professor and publisher of The Edward Said Reader.
- Nelson Maldonado-Torres Specializes in phenomenology, critical theory, postcolonial studies, and modern religious thought. He is interested in theories of decolonization as they emerge in different contexts and from different subjective positions in the Americas. He is currently working on a theory of epistemic and material decolonization based on Fanon's work and on the theoretical production of U.S. feminists of color. This work encompasses reflections on religion, philosophical anthropology, social and cultural formations in the Americas, and the role of critical intellectual activity in the context of global coloniality.
- Nelson Vallejo-Gomez He is a Philosophy graduate of Sorbonne (Paris IV), Executive Secretary and founder member together with Candido Mendes of the Latinity Academy, member of the Council of High Studies of Latin America, Paris University III, Vice-President of GERFLINT-Synergies.
- Nilüfer Göle Sociologist and Director of studies of the Social Sciences High Studies School (EHESS) after being professor of sociology for a long time at the Bogaziçi University (Istanbul Turkey). She is also a researcher of CADIS (Sociological and Intervention Analysis Center) and member of the scientific council of the Islam Studies Institute and of the Muslim world societies (HSMM, EHESS) since 2000. She is author of Musulmanes et modernes. Voile et civilization en Turquie.
- Richard Sennett Professor of human sciences of the New York University and emeritus professor of sociology of the London School of Economics. Published The Fall of Public Man; The Conscience of the Eye, and Flesh and Stone: the Body and the City in Western Civilization.
- Samuel Huntington Professor of the Harvard University, where he runs the John M. Olin Institute of Strategic Studies. He is the founder and one of the directors of Foreign Policy magazine. Became worldly famous in 1993 for predicting in his article for Foreign Affairs magazine the confrontation of the western civilization and the other civilizations. He published The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order (1997) and Who Are We? (2004).
- Susan Buck-Morss Professor of political philosophy and social theory of the Department of Government of the Cornell University. She published many works including: The Origin of Negative Dialectics: Theodor W. Adorno, Walter Benjamin and the Frankfurt Institute (New York, 1977; London, 1978); Walter Benjamin: Revolutionary Writer (New Left Review 128, 1981, and 129, 1981), The Passagen-Werk: Walter Benjamin's Theory of Mass Culture, New German Critique (1984); Walter Benjamin's Passages: a Political Allegory of Modernity (1986).
- Walter Mignolo (William H. Wannamaker) Professor of literature of the Duke University, Director of the Center of Globalization and Humanities Studies of the Duke University in the U.S. Among his publications are: The Darker Side of the Renaissance: Literacy, Territoriality and Colonization (1995), and Local Histories/ Global Designs Coloniality Subaltern Knowledge and Border Thinking (2000).



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