

On the Emotional State

Friday, May 27th, 2016

Old Common Room, Lanyon Building, Queen's University Belfast

This workshop is concerned with the exploration, clarification and critical reconstruction of the concept of the 'emotional state'. Provisionally, this term should be understood to refer to the various ways in which the nation-state has been directly and indirectly involved in the construction and deconstruction of the emotional life of the polity; the degree to which it reflects (and constructs) the dominant emotional regime(s) and norms; and how these processes change through time. The workshop is organized by Dr Jonathan G Heaney, of the School of Sociology, Social Policy & Social Work, and is funded by a British Academy & Leverhulme Small Research Grant.

Programme:

11.00 am Arrival/Coffee

11.15 – 11.30 Introduction/Welcome

11.30 – 12.00 Theorizing the Emotional State

Dr Jonathan G. Heaney (Queen's University Belfast)

12.00 – 12.30 The Emotionality of the Nation-State

Prof Nicolas Demertzis (University of Athens)

12.30 – 13.00 The Most Lovable Officialdom: Nation-State, War and Emotions

Prof Siniša Malešević (University College, Dublin)

13.00 – 14.10 LUNCH

14.15 – 14.45 Emotion Regimes and Emotion Cultures

Prof Ian Burkitt (University of Bradford)

14.45 – 15.15 *The State, Moral Norms and Early Parenting: Pride and Shame in Infant Feeding*

Dr Lisa Smyth (Queen's University Belfast)

15.15 – 15.45 German Legal Traditions on Trial

Prof Helena Flam (University of Leipzig)

15.45 – 16.00 Coffee

16.00 – 17.00 Plenary Discussion

