# The politics of gender, work and value

## Workshop programme

### Saturday March 7

10 - 10.30am Welcome and introductions

## 10.30 - 12pm The politics of work and gender under socialism

Natalia Jarska (Institute of National Remembrance, Warsaw): Gendered unemployment in state socialism (Poland 1945-1970)

Kateryna Ruban (New York University): Midwives of modernity: establishing medical care of maternity in a rural Soviet hospital in 1950s-60s

#### 1.30 – 3pm Feminism and women's work

Camille Barbagallo (University of East London): Reproducing the global city: gender, work and the home

George Stevenson (Durham): Experiences of 'class' within the British women's liberation movement, c. 1968 - c. 1979

# 3.30 – 5pm Keynote lecture: Legibility and Affect in Organising Care Work

Eileen Boris (University of California, Santa Barbara)

To make care legible we call it work and to make work decent we fit reproductive labors under employment standards forged with the [Western and white] male industrial worker as the prototype. Can such redefinitions improve paid household labor? Can labor standards regimes account for the affect and emotional labor involved in doing care work well? What are the ideological, political, or representational obstacles to naming care as work and work as employment?

#### Sunday March 8

#### 10am – 12pm Regulating and legislating women's work

Eloisa Betti (University of Bologna/IMLR London): Women's work value and equal pay in postwar Italy: women's agency, state policies and international regulations

Jackie Gulland (Edinburgh): "A considerable capacity for housework": gender, disability and the construction of (in)capacity for work across the 20th century

Pamela Schievenin (London/Glasgow): Women politicians and the transformation of the Italian welfare state

#### 1.30 – 3pm The politics of women's work after socialism

Chiara Bonfiglioli (Juraj Dobrila University of Pula, Croatia): Deindustrialisation and devalued women's work in post-socialist Croatia

Roxane Vasile (CEU, Budapest): Sex worker and pro-sex work activism in postsocialism