

# Liberalism and/or socialism: tensions, exchanges and convergences from the 19th century to today

International conference



**21–23 October 2021**

**Campus Lettres et Sciences Humaines, Nancy  
Rooms A104 and A233b**

**Keynote speakers:**

**Michael Freeden, Oxford University  
Juliette Grange, University of Tours  
Colin Tyler, University of Hull**



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Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October

## 8h30 Reception of the participants

## 9h Introduction

**Stéphane Guy** (*Université de Lorraine*)

## 9h30 Plenary session

**Françoise Orazi** (*Université Lumière Lyon 2*): **Socialism and social liberalism: The state as a distinguishing feature?**

**Cornelius Crowley** (*Université Paris Nanterre*): **A series of debatable hypotheses**

**Fabien Tarrit** (*Université de Reims Champagne-Ardenne*): **Socialism against the state. Beyond the opposition between equality and liberty**

## 10h50 Break

## 11h10 Plenary session

**André Pederson Ystehede** (*University of Leeds*) **Emilio Carnevali** (*Northumbria University*): **Is socialism back?**

**Iason Zarikos** (*EKKE National Centre for Social Research*): **A utopian consensus: The growth ideal, the liberalization of socialism and the melancholy of politics**

**Alessandro Le Donne, Riccardo Soliani** (*University of Genoa*): **Commons, property rights, and liberalism. Is a “non-proprietary”, socialist individualism possible?**

## 12h30 Break

## 13h45 Keynote

**Michael Freeden** (*Oxford University*): **Liberalisms and socialisms: Recalibrating some analytical criteria**



## 15h Parallel sessions

Panel 1A	Panel 1B
<p><b>Michel S. Zouboulakis</b> (<i>University of Thessaly</i>): Mill and socialism: A reappraisal</p> <p><b>Alexander Zevin</b> (<i>University of New York</i>): Between liberalism and socialism: The case of John Stuart Mill</p> <p><b>Virginie Gouverneur</b> (<i>Université de Haute-Alsace</i>): John Stuart Mill and Harriet Taylor on the emancipation of women: Between liberalism and socialism</p>	<p><b>Robert Mason</b> (<i>University of Edinburgh</i>): “Liberty versus socialism”: the US Republican Party and the politics of anti-socialism, 1933–1950</p> <p><b>Stéphane Revillet</b> (<i>Université de Bourgogne Franche Comté</i>): The Conservatives and their representation of socialism in the parliamentary discourse</p> <p><b>François Deblangy</b> (<i>Université de Rouen- Normandie</i>): Individual, free association and common ownership: A political identity for the British co-operative movement</p>

16h20 Break

## 16h40 Parallel sessions

Panel 2A	Panel 2 B
<p><b>Trevor Shelley</b> (<i>Arizona State University</i>) and <b>Ecem Okan</b> (<i>Université de Lorraine</i>): Liberty and society before liberalism and socialism: On Adam Smith</p> <p><b>Nicolas Gallois</b> (<i>independent scholar</i>): The construction of the 19th century liberal school in the face of socialism(s)</p> <p><b>Jean-Yves Tizot</b> (<i>Université de Grenoble</i>): No lesser evil: John Ruskin against liberalism and socialism</p>	<p><b>Nicolas Sigoillot</b> (<i>Université de Bourgogne</i>): From solidarism to the third way: The hegemonic pretenses of social liberalism</p> <p><b>Lovatiana Raveloarison</b> (<i>Université Sorbonne Nouvelle</i>): British economic and social policies under Tony Blair: The third way or the art of navigating between progressive changes and conservative values?</p> <p><b>Christopher Fear</b> (<i>University of Hull</i>): Socialists and liberals in the UK’s politics of identity: Updates and prognoses</p>

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

## 9h30 Plenary session

**Sven Altenburger** (*University of Göttingen*): **Social liberal tax philosophies in Germany and America, c.1880 – 1910**

**James Thompson** (*Bristol UCU*): **Debating democracy: Socialism, liberalism, and the foundations of politics in 1930s Britain**

**Simon Papaud** (*Université Lumière Lyon 2*): **From physiocracy to liberal socialism: Silvio Gesell's *Freiwirtschaft's* third way**

10h50 Break

## 11h10 Plenary session

**Max Ehrenfreund** (*Harvard University*): **Planning and regulation: A liberal economist in public life (Morgenstern)**

**Peter Sloman** (*University of Cambridge*): **'Since the 1960s we have seen state socialism in practice': Jo Grimond, the Liberal Party, and the rise and fall of the UK's post-war settlement**

**Anna Zielinska** (*Université de Lorraine*): **What went wrong with British socialism? The post-war United Kingdom through the lenses of Ralph Miliband**

12h30 Break

## 13h45 Keynote

**Juliette Grange** (*Université de Tours*): **The liberal basis of utopian socialism**

## 15h Parallel sessions

Panel 3A	Panel 3B
<p><b>Benoît Walraevens</b> (<i>Université de Caen-Normandie</i>): <b>Piketty's struggle of ideologies and socialism</b></p> <p><b>Dean Williamson</b> (<i>independent scholar</i>): <b>The provenance of an economics of adaptation</b></p> <p><b>Nikolai G. Wenzel</b> (<i>Fayetteville State University</i>): <b>Can liberalism save itself from socialism by learning from It?</b></p>	<p><b>Maria Tumiotta</b> (<i>University of Manchester</i>): <b>"A synthesis between communism and fascism": Subhas Chandra Bose's Sāmyavāda as a non-western overcoming of 'opposite' ideologies</b></p> <p><b>Gerardo Serra</b> (<i>University of Manchester</i>): <b>Conjoined crocodiles, inequalities and temporalities: J.B. Danquah on liberalism and socialism (Ghana, 1945-1965)</b></p> <p><b>Niaz Cary-Pernon</b> (<i>Université Paul- Valéry Montpellier 3</i>): <b>Liberal socialism, empirical Idealism: The Labour Party and the international order from 1900 to 1939</b></p>

16h20 Break

## 16h40 Parallel sessions

Panel 4A	Panel 4B
<p><b>Louise Dalingwater</b> (<i>Sorbonne Université</i>): <b>A post-covid retreat from neoliberalism? The case of the NHS</b></p> <p><b>Nicholas Sowels</b> (<i>Université Paris 1</i>): <b>Managerialism in government as the forced compromise between liberalism and socialism</b></p> <p><b>Scott Scheall</b> (<i>Arizona State University</i>): <b>"Liberalism and / or socialism?" The wrong question?</b></p> <p><b>Sina Badieli</b> (<i>Université Paris Lumières</i>): <b>Unnecessary unhappiness as the basis of a Popperian critique of socialism and liberalism</b></p>	<p><b>Rodolphe Dos Santos Ferreira, Ragip Ege, Herrade Igersheim</b> (<i>Université de Strasbourg</i>): <b>What concept of freedom in Sisoni? An analysis in the light of social justice theories</b></p> <p><b>Maria Dimova-Cookson</b> (<i>Durham University</i>): <b>Benjamin Constant and the liberalism of a happy revolution</b></p> <p><b>Rafal Soborski</b> (<i>Richmond University</i>): <b>Prefigurative activism today: From socialist values via anarchist means to the neoliberal status quo</b></p> <p><b>Jean-Michel Yvard</b> (<i>Université d'Angers</i>): <b>Between liberalism and socialism: Darwinism and politics in David G. Ritchie (1853-1903)</b></p>



Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

## 9h30 Keynote

**Colin Tyler** (*University of Hull*): **Transcending liberalism and socialism: The institutional economics of the family in British idealist thought and practice**

10h30 Break

## 10h50 Plenary session

**David Boucher** (*University of Cardiff*): **Social liberalism and the 'Right' kind of socialism**

**Janusz Grygień** (*Nicolaus Copernicus University*): **J.A. Hobson's epistemic "re-statement of democracy"**

**Łukasz Dułęba** (*Adam Mickiewicz University*): **Is social liberalism possible? New liberalism and the problem of opposing political concepts**

12h10 Conclusion

14h30 Guided tour of the historical centre of the city  
of Nancy