



## **THE GÖTTINGEN CENTER FOR MODERN HUMANITIES**

**(ZENTRUM FÜR THEORIE UND METHODIK DER KULTURWISSENSCHAFTEN)**

**proudly presents:**

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### **FEATURED THINKER**

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### **A WORKSHOP WITH ARJUN APPADURAI**

**When:** June, 17th, 2010, 11 a.m. to ca 5 p.m.

**Where:** Big Seminar room of Niedersächsische Staats- und  
Universitätsbibliothek Göttingen,  
Platz der Göttinger Sieben 1, 37073 Göttingen

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Arjun Appadurai is Goddard Professor of Media, Culture and Communication at New York University. Trained in social and cultural anthropology, Appadurai has touched on an array of themes and issues in the course of his research that open up an innovative field of questions within cultural theory. A prolific writer, he has published broadly on questions of modernity lodged between globalization and post-colonialism, media and urbanism, including the two volumes *Modernity at Large* (1996) and *Fear of Small Numbers* (2006). He is the cofounder of the journal *Public Culture*, published since 1988.

The ZTMK's one day workshop is directed particularly at doctoral students and postdocs, but naturally also other interested parties. It provides an opportunity to speak with an influential thinker of our time in a semi-structured format. Brief excerpts of Arjun Appadurai's work are made available to all registered participants and on the ZTMK homepage. These are meant to be read by all participants so as to facilitate an informed and lively discussion. Each thematic block will be initiated by brief summary inputs and questions and then open into conversations with our featured thinker. In the course of the day we hope to jointly explore the thematic contours and intellectual range of our guest's work.

## Program

- 11:00 Welcome and Introduction
- 11:15 CULTURE, VALUE, COMMODITIES  
Introduction: Stefan Groth, MA and Arnika Peselmann, MA
- 12: 45 *Lunch Break*
- 13:30 Key Terms and Terminologies
- LOCALITY AND SPACE  
Introduction: Prof. Dr. Rebekka Habermas and Prof. Dr. Irene Schneider
- GLOBALIZATION AND ASSOCIATED TERMS  
Introduction: Dr. Richard Hölzl, Julia Hauser, MA
- 15:15 *Coffee Break*
- 15:30 GEOGRAPHY OF ANGER  
Introduction: Dr. Alexander Horstmann
- 16:30 *Wrap Up*

### **Sign-up:**

Those who have not registered yet are asked to please sign up with Cornelius Hantscher ([hantscher.c@googlemail.com](mailto:hantscher.c@googlemail.com)) by January 20th. The room has limited capacity. In order to build an active and involved workshop, we hope that participants commit for the whole day in as much as our lives permit it.

### **Readings:**

Everyone signed-up will receive the scanned readings via e-mail. They can also be found on the ZTMK's homepage: <http://www.uni-goettingen.de/de/86832.html>

### **Cost:**

The workshop is free. However, we will ask for small contributions from all to cover the expenditures for lunch and coffee break.