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## **Press Release**

### **Week-long World Congress on Deleuze and Guattari to kickstart next week as part of Jamia Centenary Celebrations**

The Centre for Culture, Media and Governance is organising Deleuze and Guattari World Congress 2020, as part of Jamia Millia Islamia's centenary celebrations. The Congress will be held from 17<sup>th</sup> January to 22<sup>nd</sup> January and will consist of a camp and a conference spread over three days each.

The camp titled 'Configuring the Posthuman Technoscapes: Virtual, Digital, and the Machinic' which will be held from February 17-19 has a diverse group of over 60 international and national participants who would engage with a cohort of eminent international academics on Deleuzo-Guattarian paradigms with a special focus on the Indian social milieu.

The conference titled 'Encountering the Social: Masquerades, Fluidities, and the Becomings of Postcapitalism' comprising of 15 parallel sessions and 11 plenary talks will be held soon after the camp from February, 20- 22.

Prof Leonard Lawlor, Pennsylvania State University, USA will deliver the inaugural plenary address and Dr George Varghese K, President, Deleuze and Guattari Studies in India Collective will chair the session. Prof Saima Saeed, Hony Director, Centre for Culture, Media and Governance, will deliver the welcome address and Dr Manoj N Y, Conference Convenor and Gen. Secretary Deleuze and Guattari Studies in India Collective will introduce the conference. Prof Biswajit Das, Professor, CCMG will deliver the vote of thanks.

A wide variety of themes ranging from artificial intelligence, posthumanism, biocapitalism, anthropocene and ecosophy, transgenderism, selfhood and silences of society and new materialism will be deliberated upon by world renowned scholars on the philosophy of Deleuze and Guattari.

Key speakers of the camp and conference include Eva D Bahovec, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia; Joff P.N. Bradley, Teikyo University, Japan; Tatsuya Higaki, Osaka University, Japan; Leonard Lawlor, Pennsylvania State University, USA; Sebastian Hsien-hao Liao, National Taiwan University, Taiwan; Anne Sauvagnargues, Universite Paris Nanterre, France; Daniel Smith, Purdue University, USA; Kenneth Surin, Duke University, USA; Alex Taek-Gwang Lee, Kyung Hee University, Seoul; Toshiya Ueno, Wakoo University, Japan; Janell Watson, Virginia Tech University, USA.

The camp and conference will be held at the Institute for the Studies in Industrial Development (ISID) Vasant Kunj.

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