InHouse & Guest Workshop with Alain Caillé

From *The Gift* to the *Convivialist Manifesto*

In 1925 Marcel Mauss published his book on *The Gift* as a “total social fact”, i.e. as a ubiquitous practice with far reaching implications for the economic, legal, social and religious spheres of society. Mauss’s book has greatly influenced the following generation of researchers in anthropology, sociology and philosophy. Recently, French sociologist Alain Caillé has drawn on Mauss’s arguments for his considerations on alternative forms of society and economy. Together with other intellectuals he launched the “Convivialist Manifesto”, aimed at formulating the principles of a new art of living together (con-vivere) that would allow humans to take care of each other and of nature. The workshop will explore the relationship between Mauss’s theoretical and ethnographic work and the ideas of the “Convivialist Manifesto”.

Programme

Speaker: **Alain Caillé**, Professor of Sociology, University of Paris-Nanterre

Discussants: **Elena Pulcini**, Professor of Social Philosophy, University of Florence, Senior Fellow at the Centre for Global Cooperation Research

**Mario Schmidt**, Cultural Anthropologist, Postdoc Fellow at the Centre for Global Cooperation Research

Moderator: **Frank Adloff**, Professor of Sociology, University of Erlangen-Nürnberg, Senior Fellow at the Centre for Global Cooperation Research

Venue: Käte Hamburger Kolleg / Centre for Global Cooperation Research, Schifferstr. 196, 47059 Duisburg

Date &Time: Tuesday 4th February 2014, 11.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

The workshop will conclude with lunch at the Centre.