# Report on the Foucault and Critical Realism Workshops

Workshop 1: 18th June 2008

**No. of papers:** 5 research papers (see programme below) **Output**: Bob Jessop published a version of this workshop paper under the title of 'Constituting Another Foucault Effect: Foucault on State and Statecraft' in Lemke, T., Krasman, S., and Brockling, U. (eds) Another Foucault Effect? Foucault on Governmentality and Statecraft, New York: Routledge

Workshop 2: 20<sup>th</sup> July 2009

No. of papers: 6 papers (programme to be finalized)

## Workshop 1

## Lancaster University IAS Research Cluster

# Foucault and Critical Realism Foucault and Critical Realism: Ontological and Epistemological Issues Workshop 1

Date: 18th June 2008 (Wednesday)
Place: Institute for Advanced Studies, Room MR3

## **Programme:**

9:45-10:00 Tea and Coffee

10:00-10:10 Welcome (Bob Jessop, IAS and Ngai-Ling Sum, Politics, Lancaster)

## 10:00-11:15 Interpretations of Space and Territories (Chair: Norman Fairclough, IAS)

- ❖ 'Space, Power and Territory', Stuart Elden (Geography, Durham)
- 'Power, Ontology, Epistemology and Critique', Andrew Sayer (Sociology, Lancaster)
- Discussion

## 11:15-11:30 Tea and Coffee

## 11:30- 12:45 Interpretations of the Real (Chair: Jane Mulderrig, Linguistics)

- 'The Foucauldian Real', Mick Dillon (Politics, Lancaster)
- 'Critical Realism and its Realities', Bob Jessop (IAS, Lancaster)
- Discussion

## 12:45-2:00 Lunch

## 2:00-3:30 Re-reading Foucault

(Chair: Anthony Hesketh, Management School)

- ❖ 'If the later Foucault can be read as Realist, then what can he bring to Critical Realism', Ismael Al-Amoudi (Management, Reading)
- ❖ Discussant I: Stuart Elden from a Foucauldian perspective (tbc)
- Discussant II: Bob Jessop from a critical-realist perspective
- Discussion

### 3:30-3:45 Tea and Coffee

#### 3:45-4:45 Further Discussion

(Include planning for the Second Workshop 2009)

## 4:45- Fresh Air, Bar and Dinner Arrangements

#### All are welcome

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