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the University of Pittsburgh presents:

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David Haeselin, Carnegie Mellon University
Richard Jermain, University of Tampa
Joshua Lund, University of Pittsburgh
Christian Marazzi, Università Italiana
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Tim Murphy, University of Oklahoma
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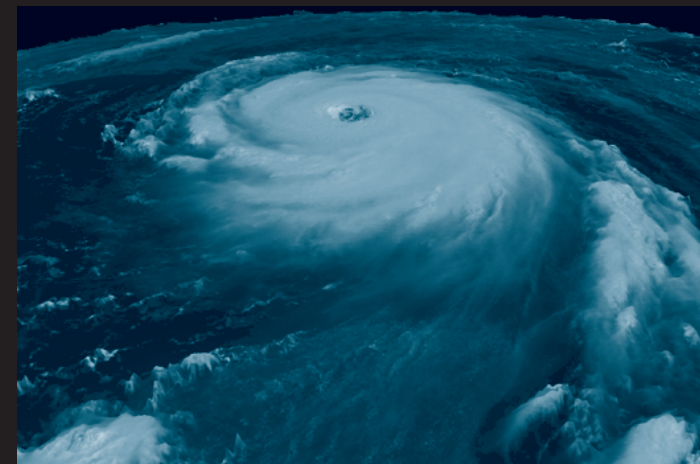
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This conference will address the 10th anniversary of the publication of Michael Hardt and Antonio Negri's seminal book *Empire*, the first volume of a trilogy that saw its completion in October 2009 with the publication of the third volume, *Commonwealth*. (The second volume, *Multitudes*, came out in 2004).

The reception of the trilogy has been lively, although controversial, and has generated much political reflection and scholarship. As we face the political challenges of the current global arena, there is no better time to consider once again the present status of the form "empire", and of the struggles that traverse it.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, November 18 2010

Babcock Room, 40th floor,
Cathedral of Learning

1:00-1:20 p.m. Giuseppina Mecchia, Graduate Program for Cultural Studies at the University of Pittsburgh: Welcome and Introductory Remarks.

1:30-4:00 p.m. Empire and Historicity

Ken Surin, Duke University: "*Empire*: Ten Years After".
Richard Jermain, University of Tampa: "The Dialectical Basis of Revolution"

Matt Gayetsky, University of Pittsburgh: "Partisans in Empire, or, Carl Schmitt as Revolutionary"

Chair and Respondent: Hermann Herlinghaus,
University of Pittsburgh

4:00-4:30 p.m. Coffee Break

4:30-7:00 p.m. Empire and Capital

Christian Marazzi, Università Italiana della Svizzera:
"Financial Entropy: The Struggle Within and Against Empire"

Stephen Shukaitis, University of Essex/Autonomedea:
"Beneath the Empire: History, Composition and Organization"

David Haeselin, Carnegie Mellon University:
"The Emperors of Networks: Reclaiming Optimism for the Digital"

Chair and Respondent: Terry Smith,
University of Pittsburgh

Friday, November 19 2010

5130 Posvar Hall

8:30-9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9:00-11:30 a.m. Empire and Coloniality

Nick Nesbitt, Princeton University: "Beyond Empire's Dialectics of (Colonial) Sovereignty: Speculative Anarchism and the Critique of Critique"

Juan Carlos Valencia, Macquarie University:
"The Persistence of Coloniality in 'Empire'"

Joshua Lund, University of Pittsburgh: "Misplaced Revolution: Internal colonialism and anti-primitivism in modern Mexico".

Chair and Respondent: Roberto Ponce-Cordero,
University of Pittsburgh

11:30-1:00 p.m. Lunch break

1:00-3:30 p.m. Empire and Opposition

Tim Murphy, University of Oklahoma: "Co-research, Collaboration, Commonwealth"

Carolina Gainza, University of Pittsburgh: "Processes of Appropriation of Technology and Collective Practices in Literary Creation: Electronic Literature in Latin America"

Miriam Tola, Rutgers University: "Embodied Multitudes. Notes on *Empire* and Corporeal Feminism".

Chair and Respondent: Lisa Brush,
University of Pittsburgh

3:30-4:30 p.m. Coffee break

121 David Lawrence Hall

4:30-6:30 p.m Keynote Address delivered
by Michael Hardt

6:30-7:30 p.m. Reception