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Call for Papers

In a world where we face others that we do not understand, the question of alterity becomes essential to our critical thinking. Alterity is a philosophical term meaning “otherness” describing the ability to distinguish between self / not-self, while opening up the recognition of alternative viewpoints. This 2-day international symposium will focus on interdisciplinary contributions that discuss alterity from diverse perspectives including spatial, architectural, political, cultural and philosophical. The overall objective is to create an educational forum providing an active dialogue between both postgraduate and early career researchers with seasoned scholars, while establishing collaborative links between regional and international universities.

We invite paper abstract submissions under the following 4-thematic session topics, plus an additional open category. Authors may submit only one paper per session topic. The same paper abstract may not be submitted to multiple topics. Please submit to one-of-five paper sessions:

- I. Space of Communicativity
- II. Global Architect of Alterity
- III. Unveiling the Political: Process, Identity and Alterity
- IV. Conceptualizing Counter-Hegemonic Sites, Practices and Narratives
- V. Open Category

Our intention is that these themes will be organized as separate tracks within the main symposium. We are delighted to also include keynote lectures from [Simon Critchely](#), PhD, Hans Jonas Professor of Philosophy (New School of Social Research) and [Michael Jenson](#), PhD, Associate Dean and Assistant Chancellor for Research (University of Colorado); and also invited presentations from [Xavier Guillaume](#), PhD, Lecturer in Politics and International Relations (University of Edinburgh); and [Dorian Wiszniewski](#), PhD, Senior Lecturer in Architecture and Critical Theory (University of Edinburgh).

Please submit both a 400-word abstract (in PDF format) and short-bio or resume in English by e-mail to: ArchitectureofAlterity@gmail.com by **15th February 2015**. Notifications of acceptance with peer-review comments will be returned after March 15th 2015.

The exact programme will be announced after acceptance of abstracts by 15th of February 2015 on website: <https://archofalterity.wordpress.com>

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