

Trade unions and geographies of trans-national solidarity

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In the face of economic globalisation trade unions are coming to terms with the need to construct new forms of trans-national solidarity. The material realities of an increasingly global economy are forcing unions to recognise the importance of trans-national organising and campaigning. Nevertheless, scalar conflicts continue to infuse unions in reconciling local and national interests against broader visions of solidarity. Promoting transnational labour rights is an aspiration of most union actors, but this is inevitably compromised by different subject positions in relation to broader processes of capital accumulation.

Application procedure and deadlines

To be considered for PhD studentships to be held in the School of Geographical and Earth Sciences (GES), suitably qualified candidates should apply via the website of the College of Science and Engineering

(<http://www.gla.ac.uk/colleges/scienceengineering/graduateschool/prospectivestudents/essentialinformation/>). Closing dates for University and research council funded studentships will be in early in the new year, as stated on the GES studentships page:

(<http://web2.ges.gla.ac.uk/~mlee/GES%202010%20studentships>).

Non- English speakers must meet the University's English language requirements. Candidates for ESRC studentships should also meet the ESRC's requirements for both academic qualifications and residential eligibility. For more information go to

<http://www.esrc.ac.uk/ESRCInfoCentre/index.aspx> and please note that *non-UK European Union citizens will be awarded fees only by ESRC.*

For informal enquiries about the research projects please contact the relevant supervisors.

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