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RESEARCHERS AND WORKERS FORUM:

SELF MANAGEMENT AND ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF WORK ORGANISATION

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MORNING SESSION: LESSONS FROM HISTORY AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS
'Council Communism - a practical and theoretical experience in the history of workers' self-management and self-liberation' Christian Frings
'An Industrial Relations Perspective on Employee Participation' Peter Ackers, Loughborough University

AFTERNOON SESSION: CURRENT EXPERIENCES FROM SOUTH AMERICA

Labour Process and decision-making in the occupied factories in Argentina' Maurizio Atzeni, Loughborough University
Zanon - A factory in the hand of the workers' Fasimpal/Zanon
Venezuela's solidarity economy: Collective ownership, expropriation and workers' self-management' Dario Azzellini, Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt and Universidad Autónoma de Puebla, Mexico

SESSION ON VENEZUELA:

Workers' experiences: Cemento Andino and Inveval' Zoraida Benitez Perdomo, workers' delegate Inveval
Dario Azzellini, Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt and Universidad Autónoma de Puebla, Mexico
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Government perspective: politics and practice of workers' self-management Jorge Oliveros, Venezuelan Ministry of Work

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MORNING SESSION: SELF-MANAGEMENT IN SWEDEN AND THE UK
SESSION ON SWEDEN:
Employee Ownership in a Harsh Work Environment: Coping with Profit-sharing and Occupational Health at Österby Gjöteri' Christer Thörnqvist, Gothenburg University and Yale University
Workers' experiences: SAC position on self-management and strategies for workers' struggle' Ruben Tastas Duque, representative of SAC, Central Organisation of the Workers of Sweden

SESSION ON THE UK:

Tower Colliery experience and it's implications for the notion of workers' control' Tom Keenoy, Len Arthur, Molly Scott-Cato and Russell Smith, Cardiff Institute for Co-operative Studies, UWIC
Workers' experiences: SUMA Bob Camell, delegate Suma workers cooperative and board member of Cooperatives UK
The Mondragon Experience: New Challenges, Enduring Questions and Potential Lessons' George Cheney, University of Utah, USA
Worker's Cooperatives and Unemployment: the Brazilian Case' Jacob Carlos Lima, Federal University of São Carlos, São Paulo, Brazil

CONCLUDING SESSION: FACTORIES OCCUPATIONS, A STEP FORWARD FOR WORKERS' SELF-MANAGEMENT?
'Workers factories occupation in the Global North' Immanuel Ness, Brooklyn College City University of New York

DISCUSSIONS AND CLOSING