

Call for Proposals: Workshop *Trust – Crisis – Catastrophe III: Practices*
19./ 20.01.2023, University of Wuppertal

How do practices of trust and mistrust work and change in an era commonly associated with escalating crises and catastrophes? In how far do narration and communication constitute and disrupt trust? The workshop *Trust – Crisis – Catastrophe III: Practices*, on January 19th and 20th, 2023 at the University of Wuppertal, addresses these questions of ‘doing trust’. We are looking forward to proposals for contributions to our workshop.

In the scope of the research group *Doing Trust in the Era of Crises and Catastrophes* at the University of Wuppertal, we analyse practices of trust and mistrust from different disciplinary perspectives including literary and cultural studies, philosophy, history, psychology, civil protection and information technology. We contend that trust and mistrust are created by the following kinds of practices:

- a) narrations and narratives that stabilise or destabilise trust,
- b) through communication as psychosocial practice/ technique of creating trust or expressing mistrust respectively,
- c) the genesis and distribution of data, information and knowledge as well as their controllability.

Our research aims at understanding the agency and competences of actors in practical, communicative or technological contexts in order to assess the dynamics of trust and mistrust at a time of crises and catastrophes.

Proposals of 300 words for a 20 minute presentation as well as a short biographical information of 100 words can be send to Dr Florian Kappeler until November 18th, 2022: kappeler@uni-wuppertal.de

Organisers: Nina Doejen, Gerald Hartung, Katharina Kalthoff, Florian Kappeler, Cécile Stehrenberger