

The Leverhulme Trust (UK) funds AE-endorsed International Research Network on Literary Realism

The UK's Leverhulme Trust has agreed to fund the Nottingham-led International Research Network "Landscapes of Realism: Rethinking Literary Realism(s) in Global Comparative Perspective", which has been endorsed by the Academia Europaea. Professor Dirk Göttsche (School of Cultures, Languages and Area Studies, University of Nottingham) is the Principal Investigator of this network in comparative literary studies, which includes the Universities of Aarhus (Denmark) and Geneva (Switzerland), Durham, King's College London, Queen Mary University London, and the School of Oriental and African Studies, London.

Moving beyond persistent disciplinary boundaries in literary and media studies, this three-year project questions established, often national conceptions of Realism by radically rethinking the history, poetics and politics of realist modes of representation in literature, art, film and the digital media from the nineteenth century to the present day. It combines an interdisciplinary focus on literatures written in European languages with comparative consideration of other media and cross-cultural exchange, including with non-European language areas. The outcome will be a double volume in the ICLA (International Comparative Literature Association) series "Comparative History of Literatures in European Languages" with John Benjamins. The project has also been endorsed by the ICLA Coordinating Committee for the book series (CHLEL, <https://www.uantwerpen.be/en/projects/chlel/>).

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