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9:00 – 9:30am  Registration and Light Breakfast
9:30 – 10:00am  Opening Remarks
   Mark Bradley, Bernadotte E. Schmitt Professor of International History
   University of Chicago
   Samuel Moyn, James Bryce Professor of European Legal History
   Columbia University

10:00 – 11:00am  Panel 1: Principles and Modalities of Humanitarianism
   Reluctant Cosmopolitanism: Perceptions Monitoring and the Performance of Humanitarian Principles
   Michal Givoni, Lecturer, Department of Politics and Government
   Ben-Gurion University
   On Being Able to Sleep
   Helen Kinsella, Associate Professor of Political Science
   University of Wisconsin-Madison
   Panel Chair: Mark Bradley

11:00 – 11:30am  Break and Refreshments

11:30am – 1:00pm  Panel 2: The Communication of Solidarity
   Atrocity on Film: Humanitarianism at the Dawn of New Media
   Michelle Tusan, Professor of History
   University of Nevada-Las Vegas
   The Humanitarian Eye: Photographic Appeals and Historical Inquiry
   Heide Fehrenbach, Board of Trustees Professor and Distinguished Research Professor
   Northern Illinois University
   Post-Humanitarianism - The Contemporary Politics of Solidarity
   Lilie Chouliaraki, Professor of Media and Communications
   London School of Economics
   Panel Chair: Daniel Morgan, Associate Professor, Department of Cinema and Media Studies
   University of Chicago

1:00 – 2:00pm  Lunch

2:00 – 4:00pm  Panel 3: Humanitarian Practices and Publics before World War II
   Tenuous Solidarities: Compassion, Exclusion, and Legibility in Nineteenth-Century Humanitarianism
   Ann Marie Wilson, Assistant Professor of History
   Leiden University
Victims, Villains, and the Vocabulary of Humanitarianism  
Margaret Abruzzo, Associate Professor of U.S. History  
University of Alabama

In Search of Humanity: How the French Dealt with Suffering in Their Empire, 1890-1940  
J.P. Daughton, Associate Professor of Modern European History  
Stanford University

A Genealogy of Legal Literacy and “NGO’s” in China  
Johanna Ransmeier, Assistant Professor of History  
University of Chicago

Panel Chair: Andrew Janco, Lecturer in Human Rights  
University of Chicago

4:30pm  
Reception  
Room 122, Social Sciences Research Building  
1126 E. 59th Street, Chicago, IL 60637

5:00 – 6:30pm  
Keynote Lecture: Heart of Goodness: Reflections on Humanitarianism

Welcome: David Nirenberg, Roman Family Director, Neubauer Collegium for Culture and Society; Deborah R. and Edgar D. Jannotta Professor of Medieval History and Social Thought  
University of Chicago

Introduction: Michael Geyer, Samuel N. Harper Professor of Modern German and European History  
University of Chicago

Keynote Lecture: Didier Fassin, James D. Wolfensohn Professor in Social Science  
Institute of Advanced Study, Princeton

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10:00 – 11:30am  
Panel 4: Humanitarian Practices and Publics after World War II

Charlotte Walker-Said, Assistant Professor of Africana Studies  
City University of New York

Afro-Asian Wars of National Liberation and the Global Humanitarian Regime  
Young-Sun Hong, Associate Professor of History  
State University of New York – Stony Brook

Nuclear Pain and Humanitarian Photography: A Japanese Angle on the First Gulf War  
Julia Adeney Thomas, Associate Professor of History  
University of Notre Dame

Panel Chair: Emily Osborn, Associate Professor of African History  
University of Chicago
11:30am – 12:30pm  Lunch

12:30 – 2:30pm  Panel 5: Transnational Religion and the Question of Humanitarianism in Palestine

Which Cosmopolitanism? American Jews, Human Rights, and Humanitarianism  
Michael Barnett, University Professor of International Affairs and Political Science  
George Washington University

A Revival of GCC-Based Islamic Charities? Obstacles and Opportunities  
Jonathan Benthall, Honorary Research Fellow in the Department of Anthropology  
University College London

Humanitarianism or Politics? Dilemmas of Christian Refugee Relief in the Middle East, 1948-1967  
Daniel Cohen, Associate Professor of History  
Rice University

Non-Humanitarian Futures? Palestinian Experiments with Living Otherwise in Conditions of Long-Term Displacement  
Ilana Feldman, Associate Professor of Anthropology, History, and International Affairs  
George Washington University

Panel Chair: Orit Bashkin, Associate Professor of Modern Middle Eastern History  
University of Chicago

2:30 – 3:00pm  Break and Refreshments

3:00 – 4:30pm  Panel 6: Humanitarianism Between Marketing and Development

Regulating Rights-Based Social Welfare in India  
Erica Bornstein, Associate Professor of Anthropology  
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

The Marketization of Humanitarianism  
Mona Atia, Assistant Professor of Geography and International Affairs  
George Washington University

Micro-Utopias: Humanitarian Goods in an Age of Audit  
Peter Redfield, Professor of Anthropology  
University of North Carolina

Panel Chair: Samuel Moyn

4:30 – 5:00pm  Wrap-Up Session  
Mark Bradley and Samuel Moyn

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