

# RESEARCH WORKSHOP: MEANINGFULNESS OR MOURNFULNESS OF WORK

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Wednesday 21 June, 10-16:00 Goodenough College, London

The focus of much of the literature on meaningful work has been assessing the outcomes of processes largely in positive terms, overlooking potential adverse effects.

In response, this event will encourage a critical approach that reveals some of the inherent power relations involved in meaningful work. We interrogate the sources of the drive to find meaning in work and the threats to meaning making. For more information, please visit sussex.ac.uk/bmec/work, or sussex.ac.uk/futureofwork



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#### **PROGRAMME**

10:00 - 10:30	Welcome and Coffee
10:30 - 11:10	Dr David Frayne (University of Cardiff) "Fitter, Happier, More Productive: Reflections on the equation of work and health."
11:10 - 11:40	Dr Louise Wallenberg (University of Stockholm) "Beauty in Abundance: Allure and Exploitation in the Modelling Industry."
12:20 - 13:00	Dr Miya Tokumitsu (University of Melbourne) "Always. Be. Making."
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 14:40	Professor Andre Spicer (CASS) "Making Meaninglessness. The Role of Business Bullshit."
14:40 - 15:20	Dr Gazi Islam (Grenoble Ecole de Management) and Natasha Slutskaya (University of Sussex) "Threats to Meaning Making in Dirty Work."

### **RSVP**

To register to attend, please email Dr Natalia Slutskaya: N.Slutskaya@sussex.ac.uk before Monday 12th June.

