The Working Women’s Charter, 40 Years On

Saturday 8 November 2014, 9.15am-4.15pm
Nash Lecture Theatre (K2.31), Strand Campus, King’s College London

9.15am Registration and coffee

9.30am Welcome: Lucy Delap, Director of History & Policy; Reader in Twentieth Century British History, King’s College London

9.45-10.45am Panel 1: Britain’s working women: historical highs and lows

Chair: Lucy Delap
- Josie McLellan, Reader in Modern European History, University of Bristol; Director of the AHRC research network, Women, Work and Value in Europe, 1945-2015
- Sally Alexander, Professor of Modern History, Goldsmiths, University of London; co-organiser of UK’s first Women’s Liberation Conference, 1970
- Sundari Anitha, Senior Lecturer in Criminology, University of Lincoln; co-author of Striking lives: multiple narratives of South Asian women’s employment, identity and protest in the UK

10.45-11am Create ‘charter groups’ and share initial ideas

11am Coffee

11.30-12.30pm Panel 2: Britain’s working women today: national and international overview

Chair: John Edmonds, former General Secretary of the GMB; chair of the H&P Trade Union Forum
Fran Abrams, a BBC File on 4 presenter; author of *Below the Breadline: Living on the Minimum Wage*

Zamila Bunglawala, Fellow, University of Manchester and former Government Policy Adviser.

Pamela Cox, Professor, History and Sociology, University of Essex; presenter of the BBC series, *Shopgirls* and *Servants*

12.30-1pm Breakout groups to draft charter demands

1.45-2.45pm Panel 3: A Working Women’s Charter for 2015

- Daisy Sands, Head of Policy & Campaigns, Fawcett Society
- Farmida Bi, Partner at Norton Rose Fulbright
- Sarah Veale, Head of Equality and Employment Rights, TUC

2.45-3.15pm Breakout groups to revise and refine charter demands

3.15pm Tea

3.45-4.15pm Where next? Ideas for promotion; historians' reflections

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