ISA Catalytic Workshop on
“Innovations in Comparative Capitalism”
San Francisco, CA
April 3, 2018

The following is the summary memo for the ISA Catalytic Workshop on “Innovations in Comparative Capitalism,” which was held on April 3, 2018.

We are happy to report that the workshop was extremely successful. While some original members of the project were unable to attend and some others had already completed their final papers prior to the event, the workshop was especially important for those participants who were able to attend. As a result of the meeting, we were able to finalize the remaining project papers thus allowing us to turn to the publication process.

While we thought we might have a shorter day than expected, we were able to include two authors electronically and this greatly improved the conversations, but kept us busy for the entire day. We were each able to present our new paper drafts and to explain the improvements and changes we had made to the original drafts. With the extra time, we were able to provide further feedback to each attending author. Likewise, we were able to spend some time focusing on ways to unify the paper drafts further and we feel this will greatly improve the overall product in the end.

As a result of the efforts made through the workshop, we have been able to push the project to near completion. Most importantly, we were able to submit the project proposal to RIPE for a special issue and we are awaiting the results of that submission process now. Should this proposal be passed on by RIPE, we have already received confirmation from Edward Elgar that they are very interested in the project. If we proceed with Elgar, we would turn the project into an edited volume on comparative capitalism.

Because we had a few scholars who were unable to attend, we were well within our budget for the event. Included with this document is a summary of our expenses and reimbursement requests those attendees at the workshop.

We appreciate all your time and assistance in coordinating this event. Please feel free to contact John or I with any further questions or concerns.

Best regards,

Tabitha Benney & John Mikler