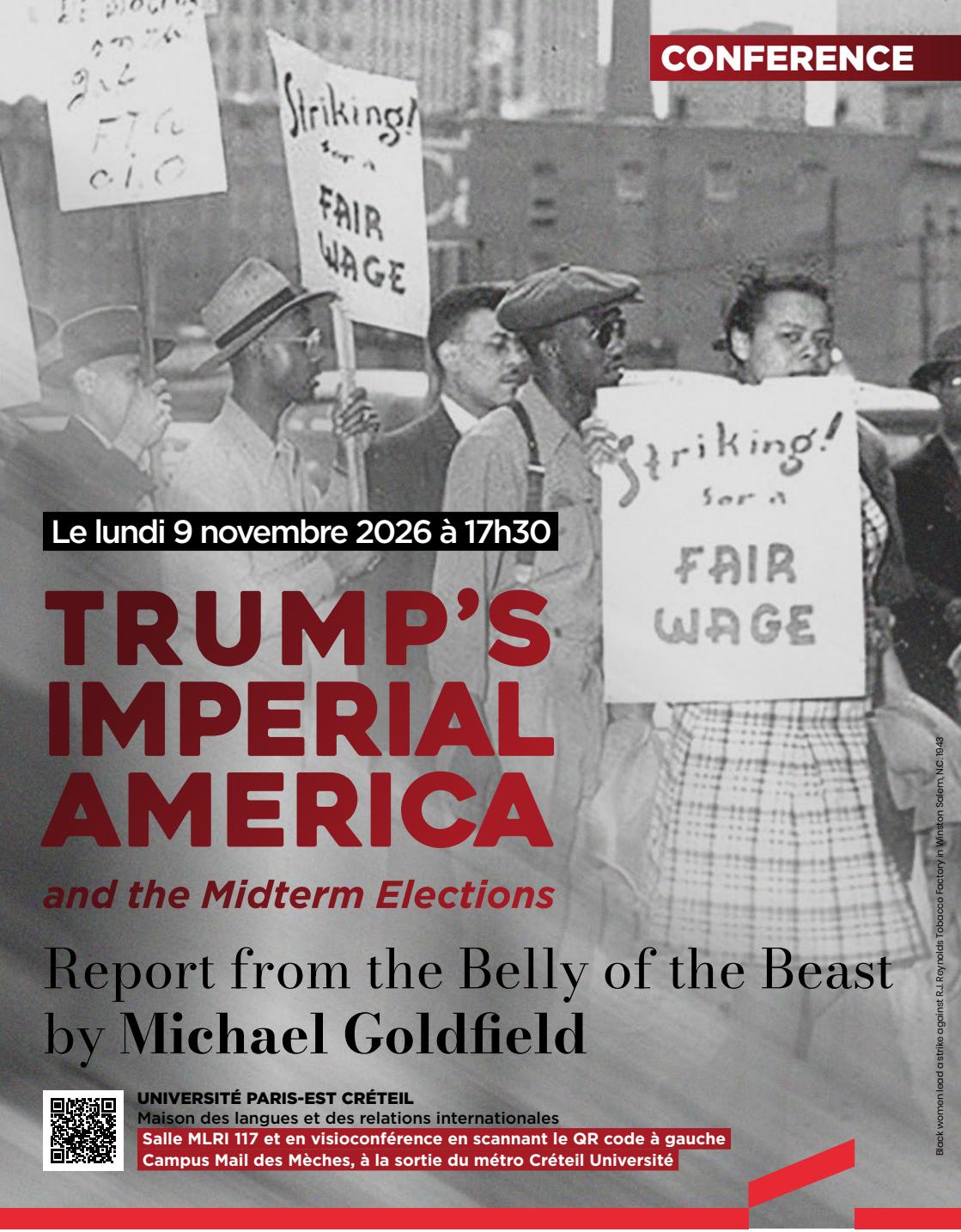



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**The most recent data and analysis from the midterm elections:**
- Trump's base of support, including his dwindling approval ratings
- Why capitalists in general have overwhelmingly supported him, and which particular segments of capital are his most enthusiastic supporters
- How workers and Labor unions fare.

**To what degree are Trump's overall moves toward authoritarianism?**
- attempts to restrict election access, discrediting elections, mobilizing ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) storm troopers, attacking free speech, labeling all his enemies and critics terrorists, and more
- moves toward fascism or dictatorial police state control?

The recent report from the U.S. State Department that traces all opposition to Trump to Cuba... and much more.

**Moderator: Donna Kesselman**
**Discussants:**
- **Cécile Coquet-Moboko**, Université de Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines
- **Matthew Teutsch**, Georgia Piedmont University
- **Mathieu Bonzom**, Université Paris 1
- **Kalilou Barry**, Sciences Po, Lille

**BOOK LAUNCH (paperback edition, Haymarket Books):**
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