



Finding Their Niche: Unheard Stories of Migrant Women

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Room ZUB-4-416, Zuerichbergstrasse 4, 8032 Zurich

A film by Dr. Megha Wadhwa, Free University Berlin

An hour-long film documents the life of two Indian women migrants who moved to Japan more than a decade ago as trailing spouses. The women were excited to move to a foreign country and to be with their husbands, but they had no prior knowledge of Japan. Having witnessed at a distance the lives of their relatives settled in the US, UK, and Canada, they had similar expectations for their own future lives in Japan. But the reality was to prove different from the expectation. In place of comfort, luxury,

love, and fun, loneliness and fear took over. Through personal narratives told by the women, we examine past, present and future expectations and see how these affect their roles as Indian women, wives, mothers, and workers in a foreign country, as well as the challenges they faced in 'Finding their Niche'.

The screening will be followed by a Q&A with the movie director.