



Institute of Asian and Oriental Studies – Gender Studies



PRO GED: *Kick-Off Meeting*

February 22, 2019, 14:30-18:45

University of Zurich, Room KO2-F-152 (main building)

14:30 Welcoming Notes

14:45-15:15 Presentation of PRO GED (Bettina Dennerlein/Sarah Farag, University of Zurich)

15:15-17:00 *Roundtable Discussion: Gender Equality, Diversity and Critique. Transnational Perspectives*

„Promoting Gender Equality and Diversity through Shared Knowledge Production“ (PRO GED) is an international Consortium for Education and Research (COFER) funded by *swissuniversities* and devoted to fostering research-based exchange in the field of gender and diversity. It is a joint cooperation between three Swiss Institutions of Higher Education and four partners in the Middle East and North Africa coordinated by the Chair of Gender Studies and Islamic Studies at the University of Zurich.

The roundtable invites the PRO GED partners to discuss current challenges posed by the global circulation of terminologies of gender and diversity and the different ways in which they are understood and put into practice. How can a transnational perspective contribute to self-critically evaluating the adjustments and transformations these concepts undergo? How can they remain productive as tools of analysis and critique in specific contexts?

Participants

Nathalie Amstutz (University of Applied Sciences and Art Northwestern Switzerland)

Connie Christiansen (Lebanese American University, Beirut)

Hoda El Satta (Cairo University)

Moha Ennaji (University of Fez)

Marylène Lieber (University of Geneva)

Fatima Sadiqi (University of Fez)

Chair: Bettina Dennerlein (University of Zurich)

17:15-18:45 *Keynote Lecture: Foucault and the Challenge of Cultural Difference: An Interpretation*

Marnia Lazreg (City University New York)