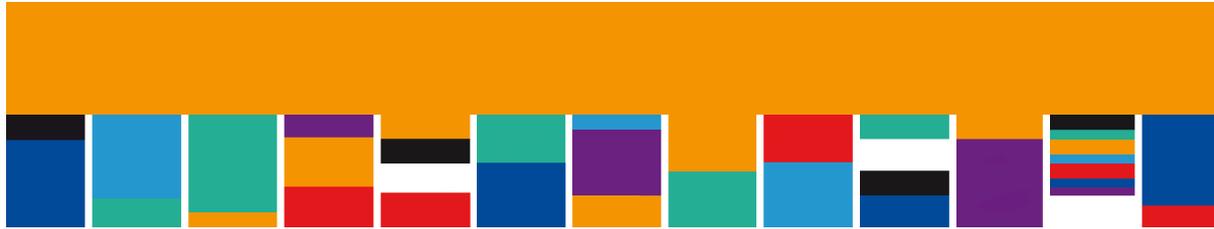




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Concepts that Matter! Terminologies of Women and Gender in Transnational Perspective

International GENiUS-Workshop

Zurich, April 7-8, 2017

During the last decades, terminologies of women and gender have been travelling back and forth across different academic as well as non-academic institutional settings on a global scale. However, concepts and terminologies of women and gender have been and continue to be contested. They are differently configured, understood and employed with different effects according to the respective circumstances and social fields involved. The aim of this workshop is to look specifically at the critical potential of concepts and theories in research in and on the Arab region. How do we deal with the complex “social life” of existing terminologies of women and gender in the Arab region and beyond? How do we define and configure concepts in order to make productive use of them in our respective fields of research?

Convenors

Dr. Yasmine Berriane (URPP Asia and Europe)

Prof. Dr. Bettina Dennerlein (Institute of Asian and Oriental Studies – Chair of Gender Studies and Islamic Studies)

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Location

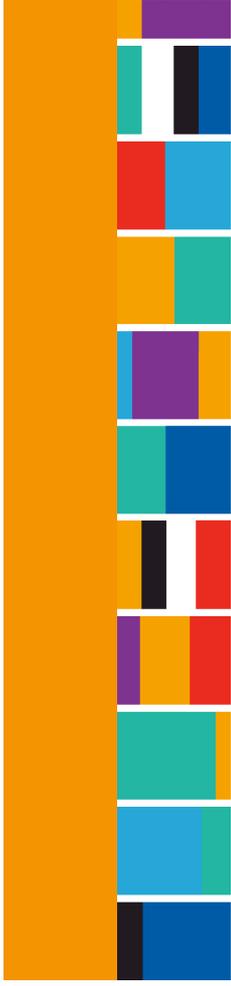
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Registration

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(limited number of participants)



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Program

- Friday, April 7, 2017**
- 09.45-10.15 Welcome
 - 10.15-11.00 **Marnia Lazreg (City University of New York):** “Overcoming Empiricism: Groundwork for Theorizing Feminism in MENA”
 - 11.00-11.30 Coffee break
 - 11.30-12.15 **Hoda El Sadda (Cairo University):** “Traveling Concepts: Revisiting the Case of Feminism and Gender in the Arab World”
 - 12.15-14.15 Lunch Break
 - 14.15-15.00 **Lina Abirafteh (Lebanese American University):** “Women’s and Gender Studies as a Field in the Arab region: The Case of IWSAW”
 - 15.00-15.15 Coffee break
 - 15.15-16.00 **Fatima Sadiqi (University of Fez):** “The Politics of Terminology in Gender Studies: A Linguistics Approach”
 - 16.00-16.45 **Moha Ennaji (University of Fez):** “A Linguistic Reading of Existing Terminologies of Feminism, Women and Gender in North Africa”

16.45-17.15

Coffee break

17.15-19.00

Public Panel Discussion „Teaching Gender: Theory and Society in the Classroom“

Discussants: Lina Abirafteh (Lebanese American University), Hoda El Sadda (Cairo University), Moha Ennaji (University of Fez), Marnia Lazreg (City University of New York), Marylène Lieber (University of Geneva)

Chair: Bettina Dennerlein (University of Zurich)

Saturday, April 8, 2017

10.15-11.00

Zeina Zaatari (Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Cultures, Middle East and Africa): “Heteronormativity, Sexuality, Queer and LGBTQI Identities: Between the Hammer and the Anvil”

11.00-11.15

Coffee break

11.15-12.00

Bettina Dennerlein (University of Zurich): “The Politics of Women’s Rights in Islamic Discourse”

12.00-14.15

Lunch Break

14.15-15.00

Doris Gray (Al-Akhawayn University): “New Conceptions of Gender and the Quest of Global Equality”

15.00-15.45

Sarah Farag (University of Zurich): “The Social Life of Women’s Human Rights”

15.45-16.15

Coffee break

16.15-17.00

Yasmine Berriane (University of Zurich) and Aymon Kreil (University of Zurich): “Women’s and Family Empowerment: Ethnographic Perspectives on a Contested Term”

17.00-18.00

Final discussion

Discussant: Katrin Meyer (University of Basel)



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