Feminist Resistance to the Rise of Nationalism and Populism

RINGS Conference
General Assembly Meeting 2017

4–6 October 2017
University of Iceland, Reykjavik
PROGRAMME

DAY ONE: WEDNESDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2017

VENUE: National and University Library of Iceland

9:00–9:30 Registration with Coffee & Tea

9:30–10:00 Opening & Welcome Addresses
Chair: Irma Erlingsdóttir
Co-chairpersons RINGS: Jeff Hearn and Tammy Shefer

10:00–10:45 Panel 1: The Revival of Nationalist and Populist Right-wing Politics and Counter Feminist Discourses. Part 1
Chair: Jeff Hearn
Sara Edenheim, Associate Professor of History, Centre for Gender Studies, Umeå University, Sweden
Resident Evil: Measuring Intolerance, Regulating Populations, Depoliticizing Identities or a Study in Metaphysics as Public Management
Jennifer Ramme, Research Assistant/Lecturer, German-Polish Cultural and Literary Relations and Gender Studies, Social and Cultural Sciences, European University Viadrina, Frankfurt Oder, Germany
The Right wing Takeover and Pitfalls of Feminist Counter-discourses

10:45–11:15 Coffee and Tea Break

11:15–12:00 Panel 2: The Revival of Nationalist and Populist Right-wing Politics and Counter Feminist Discourses. Part 2
Chair: Jeff Hearn
Katerina Cidlinska, Research Assistant, National Contact Centre for Gender & Science, Czech Academy of Sciences, and Iva Smidova, Associate Professor, Masaryk University, Czech Republic
Czech Ambivalences and the Fragility of Feminism
Anika Thym, Doctoral Candidate, Network Gender Studies and University of Basel, Switzerland
Anti-feminist, Right wing and Neoliberal Social Developments in Switzerland

12:00–12:15 Round of Brief Introductions

12:15–13:45 Lunch

13:45–15:15 Panel 3: Feminisms and Resistances
Chair: Kadri Aavik
Tamara Shefer, Professor, University of Western Cape, South Africa
Young Women, Politics and Performance in the Project of Gender and Sexual Justice in Contemporary South Africa: Local Feminist Resistances in Global Contexts
Olga Shnyrova, Director, Center of Gender Studies, Ivanovo State University, Russia
Feminism vs Traditionalism in Contemporary Russia: New Forms of Resistance
Deevia Bhana, Professor in Gender and Childhood Sexuality at the University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa  
*Forced Love and Teenage Masculine Resistance in Heterosexual Relationship Dynamics*

Annadís G. Rúdólfsdóttir, Associate Professor in Research Methodology, Faculty of Education, University of Iceland and Ásta Jóhannsdóttir, Ph.D. Student in Sociology, University of Iceland, Instructor at the Icelandic Academy of Arts and the UI  
*Emerging Feminist Movements: The #Freethenipple Protests in Iceland in 2015*

15:15–15:45  
Coffee and Tea Break

15:45–17:15  
**Panel 4: Gender Discourses in Border Regimes. Part 1**  
Chair: Gabriele Griffin  
Sólveig Anna Bóasdóttir, Professor of Theological Ethics, University of Iceland  
*Refugees and Internally Displaced People: Responsibility across Borders*  
Anna Karlsdóttir, Senior Researcher Nordregio, Stockholm  
*Refugee Women’s Obstacles to Getting Jobs in the Nordic Countries: Comparative Analysis of Validation Practices and Experience, Socio-cultural Taboos and Recognized Aspects*  
Milica Trakilovic, Ph.D. Candidate, Graduate Gender Programme, Utrecht University, Netherlands  
*Tsunamis, Floods & Rising Tides: Framing Migration as a Natural Disaster in Popular & Political Discourse*  
Diana Tamale, Youth Crime Watch, Uganda  
*The Impact of Global Commercial Media on Young People’s Developing Perceptions of Their Own Cultural Identity and Lifestyle Choices Available to Them*

18:00  
Wine Reception

### DAY TWO  
**THURSDAY, 5 OCTOBER 2017**

**VENUE:** National and University Library of Iceland

9:15–10:45  
**Panel 5: Gender Discourses in Border Regimes. Part 2**  
Chair: Katerina Cidlinska  
Ulrike E. Auga, Professor, Center of Transdisciplinary Gender Studies, Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany  
*Sexual Violence in and beyond Cologne: Controversies surrounding ‘Religion’, ‘Gender’, ‘Race’, ‘Class’, and ‘Nation’ in the Context of Migration*  
Hólmfríður Garðarsdóttir, Professor, Spanish and Latin American Literature, University of Iceland  
*Gender and Migration*  
Lina Abirafeh, Director, Institute for Women’s Studies in the Arab World, Lebanese American University, Lebanon  
*Child Marriage among Syrian Refugees in Lebanon*  
Irma Erlingsdóttir, Associate Professor and Director, University of Iceland  
*The Fascist Option in a Moral Crisis: Populist Politics in Contemporary Literature*

10:45–11:15  
Coffee and Tea Break
11:15–12:45  Panel 6: Political, Social and Sexual In/Exclusions

Chair: Tamara Shefer

Annette von Alemann, Guest Professor, Center for Gender Studies, University of Paderborn, Germany
*Regimes of Discrimination and Gender Inequalities in Organizations: The Role of Care and Organizational Culture*

Anália Torres, Coordinator of the Interdisciplinary Centre for Gender Studies (CIEG), Professor, School of Social and Political Sciences (ISCSP), University of Lisboa
*Mapping Gender and Social Inequalities: Young Women and Men in European Countries*

Tricia Gray, Assistant Professor, University of Louisville, United States
*Gender Parity and Electoral Quotas: Regional Analysis of Latin America*

Ermira Danaj, Doctoral Student, University of Neuchatel, Switzerland
*“Spiderman Won’t Clean Our windows” – (Homo) Sexuality, Gender and Politics in Post-socialist Albania*

12:45–14:15  Lunch

14:15–15:15  Panel 7: Paradoxes of Trans/national Knowledge Production 1

Chair: Sólveig Anna Bóasdóttir

Jeff Hearn, Senior Professor, GEXcel Örebro University, Sweden
*A Lurking Doom this Side of the Abyss: Working In, Around and Away from Nation and Nationalism in Studying Men and Masculinities*

Kadri Aavik, Lecturer in Sociology, Tallinn University and Triin Roosalu, Associate Professor, Tallinn University, Estonia
*Challenges to Academic Knowledge in the Post-truth Era: Lessons from Estonia*

Jón Ingvar Kjaran, Assistant Professor, University of Iceland and Ge Wei, Assistant Professor, Peking University, China
*Gender Equality in Education in China and Iceland: Opportunities for Creating a Transformative Space of Inclusion*

15:15–15:30  Coffee and Tea Break

15:30–16:15  Panel 8: Paradoxes of Trans/national Knowledge Production 2

Chair: Sólveig Anna Bóasdóttir

Liisa Husu, Professor, Örebro University, GEXcel, Sweden
*Engaging National Research Policy Stakeholder for Gender Equality: Recent Swedish Developments*

Dalenda Largueche, Director, Centre for Research, Studies, Documentation and Information on Women, Tunisia
*The making of gender Equality in Tunisia’s transition*

16:15  Reflections on the Conference

20:00  Conference Dinner, Kolabrautin Restaurant, Harpa Concert Hall
DAY THREE Friday, 6 October 2017

VENUE: Veröld – Vigdís’ House

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10:00–12:30 Country Reports
12:30–13:30 Lunch
13:30–16:00 RINGS Assembly Meeting

LOCATIONS

Big circle: University of Iceland, 2 Sæmundargata
1. National and University Library of Iceland, 3 Arngrímsgata
2. Veröld – Vigdís’ House, 1 Brynjólfsgata 1
3. Kolabrautin Restaurant, Harpa Concert Hall, 2 Austurbakki
4. Fosshótel Reykjavík, 5 Sígtún
5. Aurora Guesthouse, 24 Freyjugata
6. Hotel Öðinsvé, Þýsgata
7. Sunna Guesthouse, 26 Þórsgata
8. ODDSSON hotel/hostel, 121 Hringbraut

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