



January 18-20 2012

International Conference

Transforming Gender Orders

Intersections of Care, Family and Migration

This conference takes up the controversies about the transformation of gender relations in the course of globalization processes and strives for a discussion from new perspectives. Drawing on the work of R. Connell gender orders refer to historically constructed patterns of power relations between men and women (not only as subjects, but also in the social arrangements of masculinity and femininity) which are mediated and institutionalized via distinctions and relations. We seek to analyze both the normative and symbolic aspects of these relations and the social and cultural codings and the spaces of action of relations between the genders *and* within one of the gender groups.

Modernization theorists argue that hegemonic and patriarchal orders are increasingly weakening and will disappear altogether. The transnational perspective, which will be the main focus of this conference's debates, rejects the belief in a unilinear process from a patriarchal to an emancipatory order. Our starting point is that in the transnational context contradictory developments can be observed in changing gender orders.

We describe the outcome of these tendencies as coexistence between *re*-traditionalization and *de*-traditionalization, together with the emergence of new regimes of justification and new semantics of legitimation. This conference investigates the transformation of gender orders in transnational space. We are concerned with social, political, economic, and cultural relations and forms of integration, which traverse the borders of nation states. Nation states are not (or no longer) the most important frames of reference for gender norms and codings. Nonetheless, as a long-lasting matrix, their actions continue to have an effect on people's lives.

The conference is organized in four panels covering three main areas: *care, family, and migration*. These provide the background against which we pose the question of whether gender relations and orders are shifting, how they are shifting and in what direction.

For the purposes of this conference intersectionality, as a way of establishing connections between various lines of difference, functions as a cross-cutting perspective which makes an appearance in each of the issue areas to which a panel is devoted.



Programme

Wednesday, 18th January 2012

🕒 18:00-20:00

Welcome

Prof. Dr. Ulla Wischermann, Executive Director, Cornelia Goethe Centre

Opening Keynote Lecture

Intersections of Care, Family and Migration - transformations of gender relations.

Prof. Dr. Pierrette Hondagneu-Sotelo, University of Southern California

Chair: Prof. Dr. Helma Lutz, Cornelia Goethe Centre

Thursday, 19th January 2012

Panel I | Changes in the Welfare State - Changes in Care Regimes

🕒 10:00-12:00

Session 1

This introductory panel brings together research perspectives on migration, gender and the welfare state. We focus on the question of the effects of changes in welfare state structures on gender orders, care work, and care deficits in the family and in society, and ask which migration processes are set in motion or maintained in this way.

Prof. Dr. Birgit Pfau-Effinger, University of Hamburg

Prof. Dr. Fiona Williams, University of Leeds

Prof. Dr. Sonya Michel, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C.

Chair: Prof. Dr. Sigrid Roßteutscher, Cornelia Goethe Centre

Discussant: Dr. Nicola Piper, University of Freiburg

🕒 12:00-13.30

Lunch

🕒 13:30-15:30

Session 2

Prof. Dr. Sarah van Walsum, VU Amsterdam

Prof. Dr. Lise Isaksen-Widding, University of Bergen

Prof. Dr. Eleonore Kofman, Middlesex University, London

Chair: Prof. Dr. Ute Sacksofsky, Cornelia Goethe Centre

Discussant: Prof. Dr. Kirsten Scheiwe, University of Hildesheim

🕒 15:30-16.00

Break

Panel II

The Role of Women in Maintaining and Reproducing Repressive Gender Orders

🕒 16:00-18:00

Session 3

This panel will examine the question of why and how women contribute (actively and/or passively) to the maintenance and reproduction of gender orders. Questions such as these become particularly urgent in periods of radical social, political, and economic change, for example in times of war, displacement, or economic crisis when the kind and volume of resources available to women and men change significantly.

To be announced

Dr. Alice Szczepanikova, Goethe University, Frankfurt

Prof. Dr. Mirjana Morokvasic-Müller, Université Paris Ouest-Nanterre la Défense

Chair: Prof. Dr. Uta Ruppert, Cornelia Goethe Centre

Discussant: Prof. Dr. Ilse Lenz, Ruhr University, Bochum

🕒 18:30

Dinner Reception for all Participants

Friday, 20th January 2012

Panel III

The Role of Men in the Transnational Division of Domestic Work

🕒 9:00-11:00

Session 4

In this panel, we analyse the role of men in the framework of research on „global care chains“. We ask how and why male domestic work in receiving countries is being outsourced to migrants and which outcomes this has in terms of gendered and intergenerational relations as well as work life balance for both employers and migrant handymen.

Dr. Rosie Cox, Birkbeck College, University of London

Dr. Majella Kilkey, University of Sheffield

Dr. Francesca Scrinzi, University of Glasgow **Dr. Ester Gallo**, University of Edinburgh

Chair: Prof. Dr. Heather Hofmeister, Goethe University, Frankfurt

Discussant: Prof. Dr. Sabine Hess, University of Göttingen

🕒 11:00-11:15

Short Break

Panel IV

Change and Continuity in Intra-family Relations in the Migration Process: Transnational Motherhood and the Families Left Behind

🕒 11:15-13:15

Session 5

This panel investigates the ways in which migration changes relations between the genders and generations. What care arrangements emerge in the migratory contexts? How are public discourses about motherhood at a distance and „abandoned orphans“ in the sending countries constructed?

Prof. Dr. Helma Lutz & Dr. des. Ewa Palenga-Möllenbeck,
Goethe University, Frankfurt

Prof. Dr. Oded Stark, Universities of Bonn, Klagenfurt, Vienna, and Warsaw

Dr. Bartłomiej Walczak, University of Warsaw

Chair: Prof. Dr. Susanne Opfermann, Cornelia Goethe Centre

Discussant: Prof. Dr. Ursula Apitzsch, Cornelia Goethe Centre

🕒 13:15-14.15

Lunch

🕒 14:15-15:45

Session 6

Dr. Cinzia Solari, University of Massachusetts, Boston

Dr. Kyoko Shinozaki, Goethe University, Frankfurt

Chair: Prof. Dr. Kira Kosnick, Cornelia Goethe Centre

Discussant: Dr. Dobrochna Kalwa, Jagiellonian University, Cracow

🕒 15:45-16.00

Final remarks

Registration

Title

Firstname

Surname

Institution

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Conference fee

75 € regular fee

30 € reduced fee

Registration Closing Date: January 9, 2012

Register online: www.cgc.uni-frankfurt.de/genderorders

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75 € regular fee
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Venue

Goethe University Frankfurt am Main
Campus Westend, Casino, Room 1.801
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Arrival

✈ From Frankfurt Airport

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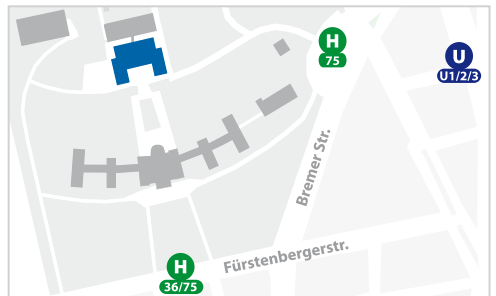
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