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Netherlands Research School of Gender Studies

Newsletter

Dear all,

With this newsletter we wish to inform you about relevant events, vacancies, calls for papers and other news.

On behalf of the NOG Board and the NOG Curriculum Commission,
Prof. dr. Rosemarie Buikema, dr. Kathrin Thiele and Trude Oorschot

Conferences / Courses / Lectures / Events

National Research Day 2017 'Doing Gender in the Netherlands: Borders and Bridges: Cultural Translation and Travelling Theories' (Utrecht University, NL)



The Netherlands Research School of Gender Studies (NOG) would like to invite you to the annual National Research Day, held this year on Friday June 2, 2017 at Utrecht University. This year the National Research Day is called 'Doing Gender in The Netherlands: 'Borders and Bridges: Cultural Translation and Travelling Theories''. The Research Day is open for presentations by Faculty, Postdoctorate fellows, PhD candidates and Research MA students registered at Dutch universities.

The 2017 edition of this NOG Research Day approaches the theme of 'border and bridges' through the lenses of *cultural translation*. Cultural translation represents a complex and multilayered phenomenon that reminds us of both the existence of borders and barriers and the urge of traversing and transgressing them. In other words, cultural translation recalls the (un)predictable effects resulting from the increasing *mobility* to which bodies and languages, thoughts and beliefs, tastes and values are constantly exposed in our global world. The research day will provide the space and the opportunity to bring to the fore and collectively discuss the multiple and multifaceted aspects of cultural translation across different disciplinary arenas.

We welcome scholars from all disciplines who are researching cultural translation, cultural conflicts, cultural anthropology, secular and post-secular debates, postcolonial and comparative literatures, decolonial epistemologies and migration from queer and/or feminist perspectives. We will be happy to showcase works situated within a variety of fields and conducted by adopting ethnographic, historical, philosophical, semiotic, linguistic, literary, artistic and digital approaches.

Questions:

- How are borders imagined and materialized in the contemporary European political arena? And how can cultural translation help us envision Spivak's concrete utopia of a "borderless world"?
- How does feminism speak beyond the boundaries of Eurocentrism? And how do feminist

- scholarship and activism connect differences across gender, race/ethnicity, class, sexuality?
- Are sexuality and sexual practices *translatable*?
- What is the impact of new technologies and digital media on facilitating cultural translation?
- Do religious differences constitute 'borders' and how may these be bridged?
- How can translation help decolonise the canon? Or, in Lorde's words, can the *master's tools* help dismantling the *master's house* ?

Deadline for registration as a participant is Friday May 19, 2017 by sending an email to NOG@uu.nl
The deadline for submitting abstracts has passed.

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5-Month Intensive Training in Gender Studies (Utrecht University, NL)



This programme runs from February to June and consists of several PhD courses including two advanced research seminars, one including the Gender staff and one tailor made for the PhD students called the PhD Reading/Writing seminar. As an international PhD you'll be assigned a mentor with whom you'll have individual meetings to discuss your programme and your progress. In addition to the courses we offer the Doing Gender Lecture Series as well as master classes with experts in the field of gender and postcolonial studies in co-operation with the Postcolonial Studies Initiative,

the Graduate Gender Programme and the Centre for the Humanities, all Utrecht University. The Intensive Programme will be launched with a welcome by Prof. Dr. Rosemarie Buikema. This session serves to provide candidates with further details on the training programme and general background information on Women's and Gender Studies and Practices of Feminism in the Netherlands

Deadline: September 15, 2017 (non-EU students) and October 15, 2017 (EU-students). You'll be informed within 4 weeks after the deadline about the outcome of your application

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Erasmus Mundus Master's Degree in Women's and Gender Studies – GEMMA (2017-2019)



Call for application for the Erasmus Mundus Master's Degree in Women's and Gender Studies is now open!

GEMMA is a joint interdisciplinary programme that provides high quality academic education and professional competencies for personnel working or intending to work in the areas of Women's Studies, Gender Studies and Equal

Opportunities across Europe and beyond. Such a wide span of options and combinations makes the programme attractive to students worldwide. Courses are taught by the most distinguished and highly recognized professors in the fields of research in each one of the departments involved. GEMMA offers added value through its geographically balanced consortium, which makes it possible for students to choose their international mobility route amongst seven participating universities.

At the end of their studies, GEMMA students obtain a double degree, issued by the two institutions where they have conducted their studies.

Prestigious Erasmus Mundus scholarships under the framework of Erasmus+ are offered to NON EUROPEAN (PARTNER COUNTRY) STUDENTS. The scholarships cover tuition fees and health insurance and include a monthly allowance.

In addition, there are scholarships for SCHOLARS who wish to complete a research and teaching visit of 2 to 4 weeks at one of the GEMMA Consortium partner universities.

Deadline for application:

Students NOT applying for the Erasmus Mundus Scholarchip: May 15, 2017

Scholars: Currently open

All applications are to be done online.

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Professor Roderick A. Ferguson and Dr. Rahul Rao in Doing Gender Lecture Series (Utrecht University, NL)

Professor Roderick Ferguson and Dr Rahul Rao will give a Doing Gender Lecture (dialogue) on 'The Return of Marxism in Queer Theory: Queer of Color Perspectives'

Roderick A. Ferguson, 'Queer of Color Critique and the Engagement with Western Marxism'



This presentation will address the effort to fashion queer of color critique as a different version of historical materialism. In this sense, queer of color critique both located itself within historical materialism and attempted to reshape historical materialism, making what Althusser described as "the science of social formation" into an intersectional analysis of race, gender, sexuality, and political economy. As such, queer of color critique would be presented as both an engagement with and an eschewal of Western Marxism. The talk will attempt to demonstrate this intent by revisiting *Aberrations in Black* and publications by other authors and critics who have helped to produce a materialist shift in the field of queer studies.

Rahul Rao, 'Queer in the Time of Homocapitalism'



In recent years, leading institutions of global capitalism have begun to take activist stances against homophobia. For example, in response to Uganda's passage of an Anti Homosexuality Act, the World Bank withheld a \$90 million loan that was due to have been disbursed to the country. Like a number of multinational corporations, the Bank has also become invested in quantifying the "economic cost" of homophobia so as to make a "business case" for LGBT rights. Why have these institutions begun to inveigh against homophobia and why have they done so now? What are the terms on which the figure of the queer has come to be embraced as an object of concern by the global development industry and as a potential "stakeholder" by the business world? What understandings of "homophobia" underpin the putative "business case" against it? In addressing these questions, I shall attempt to offer a political economy of "homophobia" as it expresses itself in contemporary Uganda; in doing so, I hope to make visible the implication of the Bank in the production of the very affects that it now purports to oppose.

Lecture (dialogue): *The Return of Marxism in Queer Theory: Queer of Color Perspectives*

Time: 11.00 – 12.30 hrs

Location: Utrecht - Drift 25, room 1.02

Chair: Rosemarie Buikema & Gianmaria Colpani

Registration [via email](#) is compulsory.

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Lynne Huffer PhD/RMA Masterclass and Lecture in Doing Gender Lecture Series



Professor Lynne Huffer will be giving a lecture in the Doing Gender Lecture Series (in Utrecht, on June 13) and a PhD/RMA Masterclass (in Leiden, on June 14). Lynne Huffer is Professor of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at Emory University. This event is jointly organized by NOG and OZSW, the Dutch Research School of Philosophy.

This talk seeks to engage and unsettle some of the assumptions that undergird contemporary new materialisms and the ecological thinking to which much of that work is bound. Drawing on the method of Foucauldian genealogy, the paper asks about ethics in the context of the Anthropocene and contemporary discourses of mass extinction. If the Anthropocene is a problem of our time, how do we engage in ethics talk within a frame that paradoxically both recenters and exceeds the human? The paper argues that Foucault's archival method offers a way to approach this question through a focus on earth archives as historical traces

of other-than-human beings. Engaging specifically the long debated question of when the Anthropocene started, she offers a decolonial queer feminist perspective on these origin stories as bound to the epistemic and moral foundations of a modern Western anthropos that masks his own emergence through genocidal violence. The earth archive as ice core offers an alternative story to this usual humanist narrative. Drawing on the speech we might hear in the ice, she ultimately argues for a queer feminist mode of ethical questioning as a limit-attitude that temporarily suspends the modes of intelligibility of our present. In this way she hopes to reopen the question of Anthropocene ethics as a simultaneously human and posthuman endeavor.

Doing Gender Lecture details:

Tuesday June 13, 2017, Prof. dr. Lynne Huffer (Emory University, USA)

Lecture: 'Wanton Extinction: Queer Feminist Ethics in the Anthropocene'

Time: 15:30 – 17:00 hrs

Location: Utrecht - Drift 25, room 1.02

Chair: Dr. Kathrin Thiele

This Doing Gender Lecture is part of the Masterclass but open to all. It takes place in Utrecht and is free of charge. **Registration is compulsory:** nog@uu.nl

CFP: PhD/Research MA masterclass Feminist Theory with and around the work of Prof. dr. Lynne Huffer organised by the OZSW in cooperation with NOG

Date: Wednesday June 14, 2017

Location: Leiden University

Organisers: dr. Kathrin Thiele (Utrecht University) dr. Annemie Halsema (VU Amsterdam) and Nathanja van den Heuvel (PhD candidate Leiden University)

The masterclass is a high-level course aimed at advanced Research MA and PhD students whose research relates to themes such as ethics in the Anthropocene, (feminist) posthumanisms, Foucauldian feminisms, feminist (new) materialism, French feminism, queer theory, feminist epistemology and poststructuralist philosophy. The masterclass consists of a lecture by Prof. Lynne Huffer (DOING GENDER Lecture Series at Utrecht University) and a research seminar at Leiden University, in which Research MA and PhD students will have the opportunity to present their research and receive feedback from Prof. Lynne Huffer and other participating faculty of NOG and OZSW. The aim of the masterclass is twofold: First, this course will provide insights into state of the art research in the broader field of feminist philosophy and gender studies, with specific focus on questions of ethics in the Anthropocene. Second, the masterclass will also contribute to the participants' academic and professional development by giving OZSW and NOG students the opportunity to engage with each other's work.

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Talkshow Interrogating citizenship & identity through art (Casco, Utrecht, NL)



CULTURES, CITIZENSHIP AND HUMAN RIGHTS

The identity and citizenship of women of color and migrant women are scrutinized within several public and political debates. Recent examples include the ruling of the European Court allowing employers to ban staff from wearing visible religious symbols and the backlash Sylvana Simons received after announcing she would pursue a career as a politician. However these discussions are often about women of color instead of

conversing with them.

This talkshow will be talking about the ways gender and ethnicity inform our practices of citizenship and how academic research can engage with women of color as active co-producers of knowledge and citizenship instead of seeing them as the recipients of social citizenship. Currently the knowledge produced by women of color and migrant women are used to inform policy makers, but are not engaged actively in order to redefine how we understand and enact citizenship.

The keynote speaker dr. Umut Erel will reflect on the importance of Participatory Arts and Social Action Research to understand and enact citizenship. Her research employs an intersectional approach and explores how gender, migration and ethnicity inform practices of citizenship. Her current research focuses on care and citizenship among migrant mothers and their co-resident children. This explores how migrant women's mothering practices can be conceptualized as

citizenship practices.

The panel consists of Dutch women of color who reflect on the meaning of citizenship and the production of knowledge with their own creative projects:

- Mariam el Maslouhi is the co-founder of the 'Dipsaus Podcast', which is a podcast for and by women of color.
- Ipek Sur is the co-producer of theatrical concert 'A Woman is A Woman' where she and colleague Meral Polat interrogate what a woman is and what a woman is expected to be.
- Saniye Tezcan works at Stichting Kezban and uses creative methods to raise awareness about domestic violence.

This talkshow is organised by Figan Tuncer (PhD student, Gender Studies Utrecht) and Berna Toprak (RMA Gender & Ethnicity) and powered by CCHR (Cultures, Citizenship and Human Rights, Utrecht University).

Date: Friday 12 May 2017

Time: 17:30 – 19:00 hrs

Location: Casco, Lange Nieuwstraat 7, Utrecht

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Expert meeting 'Rethinking Religion, Emancipation and Women's Conversion' (Utrecht University, NL)



This expert-meeting is part of the of the NWO project "Beyond 'Religion versus Emancipation': Women's Conversions to Judaism, Christianity and Islam in Contemporary Western Europe", directed by prof. Anne-Marie Korte (Utrecht University). The complex relations between women's conversion, religion and emancipation will be the central focus of the day. Prof. Jeanette Jouili (University of Pittsburgh) and prof. Elina Vuola (University of Helsinki), renowned scholars in religious studies and gender studies, will share their insights on these topics in inspiring keynote lectures. Thereafter, experts in the field will start a roundtable discussion with all the attendees.

Date: Wednesday 10 May 2017

Time: 14:00 – 18:00 hrs.

Location: Utrecht - Drift 21, room 0.05

Participation is free, please register at: religionandemancipation@gmail.com

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Boekbespreking/Rondetafelgesprek "Treasures in Trusted Hands Negotiating the Future of Colonial Cultural Objects", (VU Amsterdam NL)



Deze baanbrekende studie brengt het eenrichtingsverkeer van culturele en historische objecten in kaart gedurende vijf eeuwen Europees kolonialisme en presenteert principes en een model voor een nieuwe dialoog over dit verwaarloosde aspect van de dekolonisatie.

Moderator: Nancy Jouwe (Universiteit Utrecht)

Inleiding: Susan Legêne (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam),

Panel: Marieke van Bommel (Museum aan de Stroom, Antwerpen), Laura van Broekhoven (Pitt Rivers Museum, Oxford), Taco Dibbits (Rijksmuseum), Steven Engelsman (Weltmuseum, Wien), Stijn Schoonderwoerd (Nederlandse Musea van Wereldculturen), Nanette Snoep (Völkermuseum, Sachsen) and Pauljac Verhoeven (Museum Bronbeek)

Datum: maandag 29 mei 2017

Tijd: 15:15 – 17:00 uur

Locatie: Bijzondere Collecties Universiteit van Amsterdam, Oude Turfmarkt 129, Amsterdam

Toegang is gratis maar reserveren is verplicht via het [inschrijfformulier](#).

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ACLA pre-conference Masterclasses on Memory, New Materialism, Human Rights and Decolonized Humanism (Utrecht University, NL)



In the run-up to the 2017 annual meeting of the American Comparative Literature Association (to take place in Utrecht July 6-9), there will be four masterclasses for Research Master students and PhD candidates taking place on July 4-6, 2017.

Students registered with the following research schools are eligible: OSL, NOG, ASCA, NICA.

The masterclasses are limited to 20 participants.

In order to receive credit (1 EC), students are required to take two of these masterclasses (you can pick any combination).

Deadline: Please register by 18 June 2017. You can find the registration form [here](#).

Please Note: When registering, please fill in at remarks which two masterclasses you would like to attend.

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Master's specialisation in Gender Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in Management – Radboud University (to be offered from 2017)



Call for application for the new Master's specialisation in Gender Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in Management is now open! This new Master's specialisation is part of the Master's programme in Business Administration at Radboud University and is to be offered from September 2017.

The Master's specialisation focuses on the role and function of gender and diversity in the workplace, connecting what happens in organisations to the underlying power processes in politics and society. You will study how organisations produce different structural inequalities (regarding gender, ethnicity, sexuality, class, age, disability), and how these inequalities influence each other in organisational practice. You will explore the processes and practices of organisational change in this area. The programme addresses questions about strategy, culture and identity, leadership, and the inclusion of multiple stakeholders in organisational change.

In case you have any questions, please send an e-mail to voorlichting@fm.ru.nl.

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Inaugurele rede Prof. dr. Marieke van den Brink (Radboud Universiteit, NL)



Professor Marieke van den Brink, hoogleraar aan de Radboud Universiteit, Faculteit Sociale Wetenschappen (en bestuurslid van de NOG) met de leeropdracht Gender & Diversity zal in een academische zitting op vrijdag 19 mei 2017 om 15:45 uur precies haar ambt aanvaarden, met het uitspreken van haar rede getiteld: "De zevenkoppige draak van ongelijkheid: *Heldinnen en hindernissen in de queeste naar inclusiviteit*".

De academische zitting vindt plaats in de Aula van de Radboud Universiteit in Nijmegen. Aansluitend wordt er een receptie gehouden.

Datum: 19 mei 2017

Tijd: 15:45

Locatie: Aula Radboud Universiteit, Comeniuslaan 2, 6525 HP Nijmegen

Aanmelden kan via [dit formulier](#).

PhD thesis defense Gianmaria Colpani on the transformations of queer theory in times of homonormativity, homonationalism, and sexual imperialism



On 19 May Gianmaria Colpani (NOG PhD student) will defend his PhD thesis. In his dissertation, Colpani explores the transformations of the field of queer theory in times of neoliberalism, homonormativity, homonationalism, and sexual imperialism. He focuses especially on the formation of queer of color and queer diasporic critique and on the emergence of a "Marxist renaissance" within the field. The transformations affecting both the field of contemporary sexual politics and the field of queer theory are read through the theory of hegemony and counter-hegemony developed by Stuart Hall in the 1970s and 1980s, in the context of Thatcherism and the early formation of cultural studies in Britain.

Date: Friday May 19, 2017

Time: 12:45 - 13:45 hrs

Location: Senaatszaal, University Hall, Domplein 29, Utrecht

Supervisors: Prof. S. Ponzanesi, Prof. R. Buikema and Dr. L. Bernini

Gesprek en Theater: Wie is er bang voor feminisme?/ Holy F (Radboud Universiteit, NL)



Theatermakers Eva Marie de Waal en Sophie van Winden gaan in de voorstelling *Holy F* op zoek naar dit nieuwe feminisme. Ze vroegen filosoof Simone van Saarloos om met hen samen de voorstelling te schrijven en spelen. Voor het historisch perspectief kruipen de acteurs in de huid van enkele feministen van het eerste uur. Waarvoor streeden zij? En wat hebben Virginia Woolf, Simone de Beauvoir, Aletta Jacobs of de suffragettes tegen de moderne vrouw te zeggen? Zien zij een verwend prinsesje of zijn ze trots op hoe zij met haar verworven

vrijheid omgaat?

Met de nodige zelfspot peilen Eva Marie, Sophie en Simone in korte scènes uit hun stuk de stand van de emancipatie anno 2017. Na elke scène gaan feminisme-experts waaronder filosoof Anya Topolski en hoogleraar Gender & Diversity Marieke van den Brink met elkaar en het publiek in gesprek over de vragen die het stuk opwerpt. Politiek filosoof Mathijs van de Sande leidt de avond.

Datum: dinsdag 9 mei 2017

Tijd: 19:30 tot 21:30

Locatie: LUX, Mariënborg 36-38, Nijmegen

Deelname kost €5,- | Medewerkers van de RU, studenten, scholieren, Radboud Reflects-abonnees en Alumni Benefits Card-houders gratis

Aanmelden verplicht via [dit formulier](#).

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Summer School Course 'Posthuman Ethics in the Anthropocene' by Rosi Braidotti (Utrecht University, NL)

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This course offers an introduction to contemporary debates around posthumanism and the so-called 'posthuman turn', as well as Rosi Braidotti's brand of critical posthuman theory.

The course will explore the extent to which a posthuman approach displaces the traditional humanistic unity of the subject, as well as the binary human/non-human distinction on which such unity is postulated. Starting from the assumption that we find ourselves in the era of the 'Anthropocene', the course explores different aspects of posthuman ethics, stressing the productive potential of the posthuman condition and advocating the ethics of affirmation.

Dates: 21 – 25 August 2017

Course fee: €500 (Course + course materials + housing) or €300 (Course + course materials)

Deadline for registration: 1 June 2017

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Summer School Course 'The Possibility of Realizing Gender Justice?' (Tilburg University, NL)



In cooperation with the 9th Tilburg University Summer School (TUSS), we are proud to present our (new) summer course: "The Possibility of Realizing Gender Justice?" The course will take place from 17th of July to 28th of July and will deal with the opportunities and challenges in addressing conflict-related sexual violence and human trafficking. Applicants can be BA/MA students from any discipline but must have a profound interest in the phenomena of human trafficking and conflict-related sexual violence and have proficient knowledge of English.

During the course we will look into the opportunities and challenges in addressing both conflict-related sexual violence and human trafficking. These crimes may take place in conflict (as genocide, crimes against humanity or war crimes), transitional and/or peacetime situations. For example, how can conflict-related sexual violence be investigated and prosecuted before local, national and international criminal tribunals? Does the approach to address the business model of human traffickers (targeting the profit) contribute effectively to combatting the crime? What are the needs and rights of victims/survivors of conflict-related sexual violence and human trafficking to ensure justice? And how can these two crimes be prevented? For example, how do we prevent that UN peacekeepers engage in sexual violence themselves as witnessed in the Central African Republic? The ultimate goal of this summer course is to critically assess whether the current approaches are contributing to realizing gender justice.

Dates: 17 – 28 July 2017

Course fee: €650 for non-TiU Students; €600 for TiU students

Registration: Your registration should be completed (including acceptance of payment) by May 31st, 2017.

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Masterclass: Data & Discrimination with Dr Seeta Peña Gangadharan (RMeS, NL)

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Dr Seeta Peña Gangadharan will give a master class at Utrecht University on the critical study of data and discrimination.

In this masterclass, participants will explore the challenges and opportunities in studying data-driven discrimination, and question the nature and limits of the critical study of data-driven technologies. The class will begin with a stage-setting conversation led by Dr Gangadharan about the variety of approaches to understanding the discriminatory impact of automated computer systems, including legal, computer scientific, sociological, and STS approaches. Using a set of guided questions, participants will be asked to assess the critical nature of these studies and compare how each conceptualizes power and impotence in or of data-driven systems. In the remaining portion of the master class, participants will work in both small and large groups to assess their own research or research interests on the topic of big data, artificial intelligence, smart technologies, or data-driven systems. The master class will conclude with an overview of the principles and practices of participatory action research that informed the set of questions and activities used in the class. By the end of the class, participants will become comfortable with applying a set of tools and practices that can expand the critical nature of one's work on data and discrimination.

Participants are welcome to submit a 400-word summary of their work in the area of big data, artificial intelligence, smart technologies, and other data-driven systems, which will be distributed to all participants in the masterclass. Please include a sentence or two as to what the unique contribution of your research is. Send your summary to RMeS-fgw@uva.nl **before 1 June 2017**. Summaries will be distributed one week prior to the session. Participants should come having read all summaries and be prepared for a very hands-on and interactive session.

Date: Friday 9 June 2017

Time: 10:00-13:00 hrs

Venue: Ravensteynzaal (kamer 1.06) op Kromme Nieuwegracht 80), Utrecht

Open to: PhD Candidates and RMA Students and interested colleagues

Credits: 1 ECTS

Coordination: Dr Karin van Es (RMeS, UU) & Dr Koen Leurs (NOG, UU)

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In addition Dr Seeta Peña Gangadharan will give a public lecture from 15.30-17.00 hrs on *Our Data Bodies*:

From recommendation systems to predictive analytics to risk detection software, automated computer systems increasingly form part of peoples' everyday life. For historically marginalized communities, the experience of data-driven systems speaks to more than just problems of technology's "creepiness" or inappropriateness. In this talk, Seeta Peña Gangadharan discusses the consequences of unrelenting data collection and data processing of members of marginalized groups, reflects on the unequal nature of distribution of data-driven harms in society, and explores differences in how affected communities versus policymakers have considered addressing these problems.

The lecture is jointly organized by [Datafied Society](#) and the NOG (as an extra-curricular event).

Location to be announced!

Vacancies

Vacature Junior Beleidsmedewerker (NWO, NL)



SGW is op zoek naar promovendi voor de functie van junior beleidsmedewerker voor de periode 1 oktober 2017 tot 1 april 2018 of de periode van 1 januari 2018 tot 1 juli 2018.

De junior beleidsmedewerkers assisteren in de beoordelingsrondes van SGW, met name bij het zoeken van referenten en het formeren en ondersteunen van beoordelingscommissies. Referenten zijn wetenschappelijke specialisten die een oordeel geven over een voorstel aan NWO voor financiële steun aan een onderzoeksproject.

De medewerker die wij zoeken heeft:

- een afgeronde masterstudie bij voorkeur in de sociale wetenschappen, is bezig met een promotietraject en keert na afloop van de aanstelling bij NWO terug naar de universiteit om het promotietraject af te ronden;
- belangstelling voor wetenschappelijk onderzoek;
- goede redactionele- en communicatieve vaardigheden, zowel mondeling als schriftelijk in Nederlands en Engels.

Wij bieden:

Een aanstelling voor een promovendus voor 0,8-1,0 fte voor de duur van 6 maanden als junior beleidsmedewerker. De functies zijn ingedeeld in schaal 10 van bijlage 1 van CAO-Onderzoekinstellingen. Naast 8% vakantiegeld biedt NWO een eindejaarsuitkering en een aantrekkelijk pakket secundaire arbeidsvoorwaarden.

Deadline voor sollicitatie: 11 juni 2017

Voor meer informatie kun je contact opnemen met Mariël Schweizer, Senior beleidsmedewerker, via 070-3440939 of via m.schweizer@nwo.nl. Ook je sollicitatie kan je naar dit adres versturen.

Vacancy: Part-time Research Assistant ERC project 'Women travelling to seek abortion care in Europe' (Barcelona, ES)



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This is a 18 months part-time research assistant research role: you will conduct a specified programme of research supported by research training, under the supervision and direction of the Principal Investigator (Dr. Silvia De Zordo - University of Barcelona, Department of Anthropology).

You will be part of a research team based at the University of Barcelona (Host Institution). The first part of this study aims to understand the characteristics of European women travelling to the UK, Netherlands and Spain for abortion care as well as to examine the legal/social barriers to access to legal abortion faced by these women.

The primary purpose of your role is to carry out mixed-methods research on cross-country abortion travel at Dutch abortion clinics (by administering surveys and conducting in-depth interviews), and to contribute to qualitative data analysis as well as to dissemination of the research results.

Application deadline: 5 May 2017

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Call for visiting scholars 2017-2018 (Freie Universität Berlin, DE)



The Margherita von Brentano Center for Gender Studies at Freie Universität Berlin offers non-stipendiary visiting fellowships to excellent scholars who are conducting research related to one of our research priority areas. These are:

- transnational, transregional and transcultural gender relations;
- body, sexuality, biopolitics; digital public(s) and gender;
- subjectivity, power, emotions and affections;
- feminist theory, diversity and intersectionality

Visiting scholar appointments are from ca. 4 weeks to 4 months and have to be carried out courses are in session during Winter Term 2017-18 (Oct to February) or Summer Term 2018 (April to July) in order that scholars will pursue independent research and interact with faculty, students, and researchers within the field of gender studies

Visiting Scholars are expected to actively participate in the academic activities of the MvBZ. These include the participation in workshops, conferences and lecture series. We encourage visiting scholars to present their ongoing work and publish a working paper. The center requests that in return, scholars in residence acknowledge the center's support in any publications that result from this research period.

The MvBZ does not provide funding or any insurance, and visiting scholars are expected to be self-funded and self-insured. Visiting Scholars enjoy full access to the Freie Universität Berlin libraries and electronic resources, and will receive an e-mail account for the duration of their stay at the MvBZ.

Application deadline: May 31, 2017

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Calls for Papers

Call for Papers “Contested Privates: Religion and Homosexuality in Public Discourse” (VU & Utrecht University, NL)



On October 26-28, 2017, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and Utrecht University will organise a conference on “Contested Privates: Religion and Homosexuality in Public Discourse” in Utrecht, The Netherlands, with keynote lectures by Anne-Marie Korte (Utrecht University), Yvette

Taylor (University of Strathclyde), Roberto Kulpa (Plymouth, UK) and Erin Runions (Pomona College). We are looking for papers that provide perspectives from and on different European countries or regions or that provide reflections on the constructions of Europe and its others or allies. The conference welcomes papers from a variety of disciplines such as religious studies, theology, sociology, anthropology, media studies, law, history, gender studies and queer studies. Papers may address topics such as religious attitudes toward the introduction of same-sex marriage; religion and

sexual nationalism; homosexuality and de-secularization; and homosexuality, Islam and populism.

The deadline for abstracts is May 14, 2017. In addition, we are looking for possible contributions to an edited volume on the same subject. For more information as well as to submit a proposal, please visit the [conference website](#).

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Conference Art & Activism: Resilience Techniques in Times of Crisis (Leiden, NL)



The conference Art & Activism aims to understand the force of art to engage and express political sentiment. At the heart of any art that can be called activist is a firm revolutionary belief in the possibility of societies reforming and improving. Behind its obvious involvement with present issues and concerns, activist art is always oriented to shaping an ameliorated future. This public role is not uncontested. The arts are (perpetually) under attack. A sense of crisis, moreover, is widely felt among contemporary artists and activists, who experience precarity, marginalization, and vulnerability on a daily basis and may put their bodies on the line. The idea of crisis, both in the arts and in society, has been widely articulated by scholars and critics. This interdisciplinary conference aims to create a space in which participants from scholarly, artistic and activist backgrounds can learn from and collaborate on a horizontal plane.

It specifically invites contributions that scrutinize, assess and critique resilience techniques; technologies, technics and tools developed by individuals and groups in the form of material and/or knowledge practices that are developed to cope with (structural) crises. Resilience articulates more than simply a state of being, faculty or habit; it refers to an active ability to rebound and spring back from deforming forces, to recompose oneself and rebuild what has been destroyed or put under pressure. When we argue that the arts can contribute to and help build up civil and political resilience, resilience also points towards an element of civil, aesthetic and political 'elasticity'. The arts are a site where activist strategies and techniques can be developed and performed by fostering the imagination into new modes to "resist!" but also to "persist!"

The conference will take place at Goldsmiths (University of London), on 30th September 2017.

List of possible topics:

- Why have there been no great [x] artists? The legacy of feminist art historical critique in an intersectional and transnational framework
- A Resilience Studies? Resilience in the context of shock and disaster capitalism in (post)modernity; Relational resilience as "supported vulnerability" (Judith V. Jordan); Artistic research into resilience techniques (somatechnics)
- Affective politics: Artistic and cultural practices of reparations, reconciliation and redressive gestures; Infrastructures of Feeling (Raymond Williams); Cruel Optimism and Intimate Publics (Lauren Berlant)
- Whose lives matter? Material practices of collecting in the scope of colonialism and war with attention to bio- and necropolitics in art world wide
- Structural inequality in the arts industrial complex; Genealogies of particular social movements and artistic movements working together

We particularly encourage attention to the resilient voices in the "subaltern discourses" of Indigenous, Protest and Anti-globalization Practices; Post-Black Art; Bio-Art; Disability Arts; Trans* Cultural Production, and Migrant Aesthetics.

Dates: 13 – 15 December 2017

Location: Research Center for Material Culture of the Volkenkunde Museum (National Museum of World Cultures)

Deadlines: Abstracts due: 31 May 2017 (300 words + bibliography of 3-5 key sources + short bio-note). Notification by: 1 July 2017

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News

Drs. Anita Ramcharan nieuwe UU promovendus via NWO lerarenpromotiebeurs



Zevenentwintig leraren ontvingen op 19 april 2017 een promotiebeurs uit handen van minister Jet Bussemaker van Onderwijs, Cultuur en Wetenschap, waaronder ook drs. Anita Ramcharan. Zij zal haar promotieonderzoek 'Een cultuur vol liederen of liedkunst vol cultuur. De positie van de vrouw in Hindostaanse liedkunst' olv Prof. Berteke Waaldijk en Prof. Michiel van Kempen aan de Universiteit Utrecht gaan uitvoeren. Kort samengevat behelst haar onderzoek het volgende: Hindostaanse vrouwen zingen van oudsher bij speciale aangelegenheden. In haar studie onderzoekt zij hoe ze daar vorm aangaven in koloniaal Suriname en in postkoloniaal Suriname en Nederland. Uit de door haar verzamelde liederen, interviews en de

vergelijking met bestaande onderzoeken zal zij kunnen constateren hoe vrouwen met hun vrijheden omgingen.

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