« Excluding Diversity. At the Intersections of Anti-Immigrant and Anti-Gender Mobilizations »

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

29-30 October 2020

Thursday 29 October 2020

9:15 - 9:30: Welcome/Opening address by Prof. Laura Merla

9:30 - 10:45: Opening roundtable: What are the issues at stake?
Chair: Prof. Laura Merla

With Marie Arena (member of the European Parliament – Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament, and Chair of the Subcommittee on Human Rights), Niley Erdem (FaceBook representative) & Philippe Hensmans (Amnesty International)

10:45 – 11:00: coffee break

11:00 - 12:30: Keynote (MONT10): “Making Sense of the Exclusionary Character of Right-Wing Populism in an Age of Migration” by Professor Peter Kivisto, Richard A. Swanson (Professor of Social Thought at Augustana College in New York, and International Reader at the University of Helsinki’s Center for Research on Ethnic Relations and Nationalism). Discussant: Prof. Andrea Pető
Chair: Prof. Sylvie Sarolea

12:30 – 14:00: lunch break

14:00 - 16:00: Parallel Sessions
Panel 1: RIGHT-WING ACTORS’ DISCOURSE
Chair: Prof. Matthieu de Nanteuil

Belén Fernández Suárez (University of A Corunna): Spain: from the egalitarian exceptionality to reaction. The emergence of VOX as an extreme-right, anti-gender and anti-immigration political party

Ivan Tranfić (Scuola Normale Superiore, Florence): “They are Preparing Us for the Population Swap”: The Links Between the Anti-Gender and Anti-Immigrant Discourses in Croatia’s Radical Right

Hedwig Lieback (University of Leipzig): The Play-Off of Identity Politics and the Junge Alternative [presenting remotely or in person, TBC]

Timo Koch (Utrecht University): The Normal Natural Family – The WCF as an example of transnational anti-gender activism

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Panel 2: (SOCIAL) MEDIA DISCURSIVE STRATEGIES

Chair: Prof. Sandrine Roginsky

Barbara De Cock, Pauline Dupret, Philippe Hambye, Andrea Pizarro Pedraza (Université catholique de Louvain): Polarising representations of immigrant communities in Belgian French-speaking political discourse

Ov Cristian Norocel (Lund University): Protecting Our Family: Right-wing Populism, Affect and Social Media [presenting remotely]

Antonija Petričušić (University of Zagreb), Nina Čolović (Serb National Council in Zagreb): Instrumentalisation of Women’s Rights: Migration and Gender in Croatian Conservative Media

Lenka Vochokova (Charles University): ‘Sexually frustrated women and homosexuals invite the immigrants to Europe’: Intersection of (xeno-)racism and sexism in online discussions on gender aspects of immigration

18:30: Cocktail

Friday 30 October 2020

9:00 - 10:30: Keynote 2 “Why anti-gender movements are not (only) about gender”, by Professor Andrea Pető, Professor in the Department of Gender Studies at Central European University in Budapest, and a Doctor of Science of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. 
Discussant: Prof. Peter Kivisto

Chair: Prof. Silvia Mostaccio

10:30 – 10:45: coffee break

10:45 - 12:45: Parallel Sessions

Panel 3: POLICY NARRATIVES AND PREFERENCES

Chair: Prof. Florence Degavre

Sonja Blum (University of Hagen): Inclusion and exclusion in narrative stories

Anna Fejős, Dorottya Szikra, Róza Vajda (Hungarian Academy of Sciences): Family policy and the “migration crisis”. Civil society response to the discursive framing of population politics in Hungary

Anna Safuta (University of Bremen): Women, peripherally white migrants, and the familialist state: Elderly care in Poland as a case study of the gendered and nationalist continuities of politics in Poland

Armando Vittoria (University of Naples Federico II): Far-right’s anti-abortion agendas at the intersection between anti-gender and anti-immigration politics: The Italian case
Panel 4: ADOPTION OF ANTI-IMMIGRANT AND ANTI-GENDER NARRATIVES

Chair: Prof. Elena Aoun

Pascaline Van Oost, Vincent Yzerbyt (Université catholique de Louvain): Anti-sexism as weaponized discourse against Muslim immigration: A view from social psychology

Cristina Oddone (University of Strasbourg): The Ethics of (racist) virilism, and the Spirit of the Rising Global Right

Shaban Darakchi (University of Antwerp): Nationalism, heteronormativity, and violence against women in Bulgaria in times of “anti-gender campaigns”

Nyawasha Tawanda Sydesky (University of Limpopo, South Africa) “It’s not Xenophobia, its Criminality”: The State, Violence and Anti-Immigrant Sentiments in Post-Apartheid South Africa

12:45 – 14:00: lunch break

Panel 5: NARRATIVES OF RESISTANCE

Chair: TBC


Amy Brainer (University of Michigan-Dearborn): “I don’t want to lose my life”: Security Bargains among LGBTQ Marriage Migrants to the US »

Lyndsey Kramer (University of York): Understanding the organisation of ‘grass roots’ support of vulnerable people moving to Northern France

15:30 - 16:30: Closing roundtable: How to counter/resist anti-migrant/gender mobilizations?

With Elizabeth Gosme (COFACE), Tamara Cruz (vzw SIEMPRE)

Chair: Prof. Jacinthe Mazzocchetti

16:30 - 17:00: Closing remarks from the conference organizers