

Call for abstracts 10th European Feminist Research Conference

Difference, Diversity, Diffraction: Confronting Hegemonies and Dispossessions

12th-15th September 2018 in Göttingen, Germany

The 10th European Feminist Research Conference (EFRC) now invites abstract submissions for papers and posters. The 10th EFRC is a joint endeavour of <u>AtGender</u> (**The European Association** for Gender Research, Education and Documentation), <u>FG Gender</u> (German Gender Studies Association) and the <u>Georg-August-Universität Göttingen</u>.

The overall theme of the conference is "Difference, Diversity, Diffraction: Confronting Hegemonies and Dispossessions", which refers to a topic central to Gender Studies: the social construction of difference and inequality on the one hand, and the recognition of marginalised experiences and subject positions on the other. In the face of growing right-wing populist movements, anti-feminist and anti-queer backlash, forced migration, austerity and climate change, these concerns take on renewed relevance. The subtitle 'Confronting Hegemonies and Dispossessions' is a call to reflect on, challenge and defy the hierarchies, subjugations and deprivations that are linked to structural differentiations and to find affirmative ways of dealing with diversity, difference and diffraction. The conference is committed to promoting a feminist anti-racist accessible space for all genders.

We invite contributions from any discipline and are open to a diverse array of feminist, gender and queer approaches. There are eleven thematic streams, whose individual Call for Papers can be found <u>here</u>. We kindly ask you to submit your abstract to one of these streams.

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- Poster presentations
- Thematic panels with up to 4 presenters

Abstracts should not exceed 250 words in length and may include text only (no pictures, tables or graphics). Please include 3-5 keywords at the end of the abstract text. Do not include references. Abstracts must be submitted electronically using the online abstract submission system found <u>here</u>. It is also possible to submit proposals for events in the Open Forum format (workshops, working group meetings, book presentations, etc.) See the separate call <u>here</u>.

The main conference language is English, and all stand-alone presentations and posters must be in English. However, we also offer the possibility for German-speaking participants to suggest panels with up to four presenters in German as well as events within the Open Forum format. Keynote lectures will be simultaneously translated into German; English-German translations of the panel sessions and roundtables will be provided upon request. We will also facilitate other accessibility requirements upon request.

The deadline for abstract submissions is **12 February 2018.** Notifications of acceptance will be sent to corresponding authors in **early March 2018.**

There is no conference fee. AtGender and FG Gender also offer several travel and accommodation grants for members of either association. Applications for grants must be submitted separately <u>here</u>. Child care will also be provided. Additional information can be found <u>here</u>. All conference facilities are wheel-chair accessible. For more information on access, please click here.

Further information about the conference and the <u>keynote speakers</u> can be found on the <u>conference</u> <u>website</u>. In case you have any questions, please contact the scientific coordinator of the conference Ksenia Meshkova via <u>10efrc@uni-goettingen.de</u>.

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