OPENING CONFERENCE OF THE ZIF RESEARCH GROUP GLOBAL CONTESTATIONS OF WOMEN’S AND GENDER RIGHTS

MAPPING WOMEN’S AND GENDER RIGHTS AS A GLOBALLY CONTESTED ARENA

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WEDNESDAY – 7 OCTOBER

14:00 *  Welcome Address by Gernot Akemann (Deputy Executive Director of ZiF) and Opening Remarks by the Convenors of the Research Group

15:00  Keynote
Elisabeth Holzleithner (Vienna, Austria): Global Contestations of Gender Equality and Queer Rights – Perspectives from Legal Philosophy

16:15  – Coffee, Tea & Cake Break –

16:45  Panel I: How and Why is Gender Equality Questioned?
Andrea Pető (Budapest, Hungary / Vienna, Austria): How did Gender Become a Symbolic Glue and What are the Consequences for Progressive Actors?

Verónica Schild (London, Canada): A Neoliberal Moral Project in Crisis: The Limits of “Gender Rights” in Chile’s Entrenched Market Society

Comment: Ina Kerner (Koblenz, Germany)

18:30  – Dinner at ZiF –
### Thursday – 8 October

#### 09:00
**Keynote**
Emilia Roig (Berlin, Germany): *Current Challenges for Intersectional Justice from a Global Perspective*

**Comment**: José Manuel Barreto Soler (Bogotá, Colombia)

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#### 10:30
– *Coffee & Tea Break* –

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#### 11:00
**Panel II: Citizenship as Analytical Lens and a Mobilizing Tool for Contestations – Gender, Sexual and Reproductive Rights**

Stefania Maffeis (Berlin, Germany): *Feminist Perspectives on Migration and Transnational Citizenship*

Noya Rimalt (Haifa, Israel): *In Search of a Stronger Defense of Abortion Rights: Reconceptualizing Abortion as a Man’s Rights*

**Comment**: Karsten Schubert (Freiburg, Germany)

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#### 12:30
– *Lunch* –

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#### 14:00
**Panel III: Contestations of Equality and the Reconfiguration of Inequalities in the Gendered Division of Labour – Continuities and Changes at the Local and the Global Level**

Cornelia Klinger (Tübingen, Germany): *From the Dual Sphere to the Double Shift or, from the Idle Housewife to Bullshit-Jobs or, from Exclusion to Exploitation in the Dimensions of Gender and Class*

Martina Sproll (Berlin, Germany): *Gender Inequalities in Global Value Chains – an Intersectional Perspective on Social Reproduction*

**Comment**: Ania Plomien (London, UK)

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#### 15:30
– *Coffee, Tea & Cake Break* –

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#### 16:00
**Round-Table: Women’s and Gender Rights in Neo-Liberal Times**

Birgit Sauer (Vienna, Austria), Verónica Schild (London, Canada), Amy Mazur (Pullman, USA), Ligia Fabris Campos (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil), Onyinyechukwu Durueke (Port Harcourt, Nigeria), Brenda K. Kombo (Bloemfontein, South Africa)

**Chair**: Karina Theurer (Berlin, Germany)

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#### 18:00
– *Dinner at ZiF* –
FRIDAY – 9 OCTOBER

09:00 Panel IV: Contested Religion – Religion(s) as Contestations of Rights

Keynote

Heiner Bielefeldt (Erlangen, Germany): The Difficult Search for Synergies: Using Religious Freedom for Promoting Gender Justice


10:30 – Coffee & Tea Break –

11:00 Panel V: Tension Between Secular and Religious Notions

Fatima Sadiqi (Fez, Morocco): Women’s Movements before the Arab Spring in North Africa

Shirin Zubair (Lahore, Pakistan): Beyond the Binarism of Secular and Islamic Feminisms in Pakistan: Challenging the Dominant Gender Narratives through the Aurat March

Comment: Viola Al Raheb (Vienna, Austria / Bethlehem, Palestine)

12:30 Research Perspectives and Concluding Remarks

Convenors of the Research Group

13:00 Farewell Lunch / Departure

* all times given are CET