



THE GENDER OF BORDERS

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Call for Papers

Workshop
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The border as a subject of study has given rise to numerous interdisciplinary works producing rich analyses of the material, social and discursive forms produced by migration control. Although half of the people crossing borders are women, few studies have incorporated a gender perspective. Yet gender is an analytical tool that highlights different social, cultural, economic, spatial, political and legal declinations of the border. In this workshop, we will focus our attention on the gendered dynamics of the governance of mobility, without excluding the other relations of domination that are consubstantial with gender.

In order to understand what gender can bring to the study of borders, this two-day workshop proposes to bring together doctoral students and young researchers from around the world whose work questions the social relations of domination in an intersectional way. We seek to question the specific implications of migration policies on the experience of differently gendered individuals and social groups at external and internal borders:

- How do gender relations impact migration? How do gender dynamics change the ways in which people cross borders from one country to another? What gendered relations of domination are woven between the different actors operating at borders, whether they are custodians of authority, social workers, or smugglers?
- How do migration policies govern, across borders, not only access to national territory, but also to rights? How are these logics of control gendered? How do these gendered borders operate to determine the inclusion or exclusion of certain populations?

We welcome contributions that mix empirical and theoretical perspectives on these themes, regardless of the discipline from which they come (anthropology, sociology, geography, political science, law, history) and interdisciplinary approaches are welcome. We would also like to take a more decentralised approach and highlight case studies from outside Europe, so we particularly encourage young researchers from outside Europe to submit proposals. Proposals for contributions may address, but are not limited to, the following themes:

- Migration control at borders from a gendered perspective
- Gendered and racialized forms of border violence

- Migrant women's experiences and the articulation of structures of domination/agency at internal and external borders
- Intersectional forms of domination at internal and external borders
- Borders and politics of sexuality
- Migration and asylum systems through a gender lens
- Forms of differential inclusion and gendered dynamics of internal boundaries
- Methodological and ethical issues that concern research involving migrants, particularly women and LGBTQ people.

The workshop will result in a collective publication whose format will be discussed with the participants.

Terms and conditions of participation

To submit a paper proposal, please send the abstract of your paper (500 words) and a short biography (200 words) by 1 September 2020 to gemifro@gmail.com. The full-length version of your paper (up to 6000 words) will be expected by 31 October 2020.

The submitted papers will be shared among presenters and each presenter will act as a discussant for another contribution. The organizing committee will also start exploring venues for publication prior to the webinar, in case you would like to take part in the webinar but not in the collective publication please mention this in your submission.

Logistics of the conference

In the context of the global fight against Covid-19, we have decided to organise this conference online, so that it is widely accessible and that every presenter can contribute without the need for travel. A link to the webinar will be communicated to presenters and registered participants by the organising committee.

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