

## „Interrogating the Fertility Decline in Europe: Politics, Practices and Representations of Changing Gender Orders“

**International Workshop  
of the Chair of Sociology/Social Inequality and Gender  
with the Marie Jahoda Visiting Professor Program in International Gender Studies**

**Ruhr University Bochum, 18–20 January 2017**

### Programme/ Schedule

#### Wednesday, 18 January 2017

19:00 – 21:00      **Get-together and Welcome**  
**Restaurant Q-West**, Campus Ruhr University Bochum,  
Universitätsstr. 150, 44801 Bochum

#### Thursday, 19 January 2017

08:30 – 08:45      **Coffee and registration**

08:45 – 09:00      **Welcome Note**  
**Axel Schölmerich** (Rector of the Ruhr University Bochum)

09:00 – 09:30      **Welcome and Introduction**  
**Heike Kahlert** (Ruhr University Bochum)

09.30 – 11:00      **Plenary session 1: Population politics and gender equality in ageing Europe**

Gender equality as biopolitical governmentality in the EU  
**Jemima Repo** (Newcastle University)

Delineating population politics amidst troubled European liberalism:  
stagnant European populations, migrant “men”, and European  
homosexuals  
**Umüt Korkut** (Glasgow Caledonian University)

11:00 – 11:30      Coffee and tea

11:30 – 12:00      **Workshop groups A, B & C (parallel): Introductions**

12:00 – 13:00      Lunch

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13:00 – 15:00	<b>Workshop groups A1, B1 &amp; C1 (parallel):</b> paper presentations and discussions
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee and tea
15:30 – 17:00	<p><b>Plenary session 2: Political strategies against the fertility decline under (post)socialist conditions</b></p> <p>‘Fertility crisis’ and the introduction of paid child care leave in Hungary in 1967  <b>Dorottya Szikra</b> (Hungarian Academy of Sciences &amp; Eötvös Loránd University of Science)</p> <p>Family benefits policy in Bulgaria in a context of serious demographic concern: a qualitative analysis of online forums and focus groups discussions  <b>Tatyana Kotzeva</b> (Burgas Free University &amp; Institute for Population and Human Studies at Bulgarian Academy of Sciences) and <b>Elitsa Dimitrova</b> (Institute for Population and Human Studies at Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)</p>
17:00 – 17:30	<b>Wrap up discussion</b>
19:00	<p><b>Conference dinner</b>          Restaurant <b>Le Clochard</b>, Buscheyplatz 2, 44801 Bochum</p>

**Friday, 20 January 2017**

08:30 – 09:00	Coffee and tea
09:00 – 09.45	<p><b>Plenary session 3: Gender studies meets demography – critical reflections on scientific concepts</b></p> <p>Critical thoughts about gender as a demographic variable  <b>Daniela Heitzmann</b> (University of Kiel)</p>
09.45 – 10.15	Coffee and tea
10:15 – 12:15	<b>Workshop groups A2, B2 &amp; C2 (Parallel):</b> paper presentations and discussions
12.15 – 12:45	<b>Plenary session 4: Feedback from the groups</b>
12:45 – 13.45	Lunch
13:45 – 15:15	<p><b>Plenary session 5: Childlessness in times of pronatalism</b></p> <p>The private is political. Population policies and pronatalistic pressure in Sweden, Europe and World Wide  <b>Helen Peterson</b> (University of Gothenburg)</p>

Childlessness and postponement of childbearing in a post-socialist context

**Hana Hašková** (Czech Academy of Science)

15:15 – 15:45 **Plenary session 6: Final panel on the future**

15:45 – 17:00 Farewell mingle

## Workshop groups

### Workshop group A: Recent demographic politics and policies

#### A1: Paper presentations

**Ezgi Pehlivanlı-Kadayıfci** (Middle East Technical University), **Hande Eslen-Ziya** (University of Brighton) and **Umut Korkut** (Glasgow Caledonian University): Discursive governance over pro-population politics from a gender perspective: case of Turkey

**Hande Eslen-Ziya** (University of Brighton): How do Turkish national politics and policies problematize the causes and consequences of the fertility decline? An analysis of Parliamentary debates

#### A2: Paper presentations

**Susanne Schultz** (Goethe University Frankfurt): Demographic policies in Germany and the research on ‘migrant’s fertility behaviour’

**Johanna Özogul** (Ruhr University Bochum): The ‘demography argument’ in the German anti-choice movement – an exemplary refutation

### Workshop group B: Fertility desires and childlessness

#### B1: Paper presentations

**Vaida Tretjakova** (Lithuanian Social Research Center): Fertility desires of young heterosexual men in Lithuania: qualitative insights

**Shelley Grant** (University of Washington Seattle): Revisiting ‘Don’t ask, don’t tell’: assessing the impact of silences in European rules on infertility care on family growth

#### B2: Paper presentations

**Ezgi Pehlivanlı-Kadayıfci** (Middle East Technical University) and **Esra Gedik** (Middle East Technical University): Intervention to bodily autonomy? Prenatal experiences and the choice of c-section of women in Turkey

**Alexandra Gruian** (University of Leeds): Ova provision in Romania: a paradox of supply and demand

<b>Workshop group C: Gender(ed) norms, cultures and politics</b>
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**C1: Paper presentations**

**Yuliya Hilevych** (Radboud University) and **Caroline Rusterholz** (Cambridge University): The appearance of the two-child family norm in Europe: a comparative study of Switzerland and Ukraine (1955-1975)

**Irina Gewinner** (Leibniz University of Hanover): Gender culture, fertility, and early career in academia: a German-Russian comparison

**C2: Paper presentations**

**Yuliya Hilevych** (Radboud University) and **Chizu Sato** (Wageningen University): Shifting responsibilities over reproductive bodies: Birth control in the Soviet Union after the Second World War (1950-1980)

**Krystyna Dzwonkowska-Godula** (University of Lodz): Pronatalism and gender politics in Polish society



**Registration for the international workshop “Interrogating the Fertility Decline in Europe: Politics, Practices, and Representations of Changing Gender Orders”**

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**Please sign up until 03 January 2017!**

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At the Get-together-dinner on Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup> 2017 I will

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Permission to include e-mail address in the participant list (in print only)

I agree  I do not agree

**I would like to participate in the workshop group:**

A: Recent demographic politics and policies

B: Fertility desires and childlessness

C: Gender(ed) norms, cultures and politics

**I agree to pay the workshop fee of 100 €. After having registered I will get an invoice.**

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