

Anti-Genderism in Eastern Europe – A Question of Religion?

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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 21 April 2021

- 14.00** WELCOME & INTRODUCTION
Thomas Bremer (Münster), “Religion” Study Group
- 14.15** PANEL I
Historical Continuities and Shifting of Gender-Roles
- Nadezhda Beliakova / Nataliya Shok** (Moscow)
- Women and the Bioethical Agenda in the Russian Orthodox Culture Wars
- Johannes Kleinmann** (Frankfurt/Oder)
- The Historical Continuity of Anti-Genderism and the Construction of Gender Roles in Poland
- Anca Şincan** (Tîrgu-Mureş/Cork)
- In the Absence of Men: How Women Took over Underground Religious Communities in 1950s Romania
- 15.45** BREAK
- 16.00** PANEL II
Poland: Catholic Actors in a Conservative Society
- Anja Hennig** (Frankfurt/Oder)
- The Role of Illiberal Civil Society Actors in Political Genderphobia in Poland
- Nadine Nawa** (Münster)
- Polish Catholic Women's Organizations and the Question of Equality in the Catholic Church in Poland
- Rebekka Pflug** (Frankfurt/Oder)
- "Moja macica to nie kaplica – my womb is not a chapel". The Role of the Catholic Women's Movement in the Polish Civil Protests Against Anti-Abortion Laws
- 17.30** BREAK
- 17.45** ROUNDTABLE
Anti-Genderism in Eastern Europe – A Question of Religion?
- Vladimir Shmalij** (Moscow)
- Gender Wars: (Politico-)Theological Aspects in Russia

Elzbieta Adamiak (Koblenz-Landau)

- Imaginations about Gender and LGBTI and their Function in Ideological Discourses in Poland Today

Sonja Strube (Osnabrück)

- Anti-Genderism in Germany: Far-Right Tactics between Cross-Milieu Collaboration, Self-Trivialization, “Group-Focused Enmities” and Religious Antimodernism

19.30 VIRTUAL RECEPTION

Thursday, 22 April 2021

09.00 PANEL III

Religious Actors and the Attempt to Shape Gender Roles

Julia Andreeva (St. Petersburg)

- Vedic Femininity: Traditional Gender Order and New Age Religion in Russia

Tobias Köllner (Witten-Herdecke)

- Shifting Notions of Family Politics and Gender in Contemporary Russia: Findings from Ethnographic Fieldwork

Adela Muchova (Linz)

- Anti-Genderism and the Catholic Church: The Czech Case

10.30 BREAK

10.45 PANEL IV

Orthodox Societies and European Gender Politics: Comparative Perspectives

Tatia Janashia (Tbilisi)

- Is Anti-Genderism a Question of Religion? The Cases of Orthodoxy in Albania and Serbia

Kristine Margvelashvili (Tbilisi/Göttingen)

- Anti-Genderism in Orthodox Europe: Comparing Georgia, Greece and Ukraine

Andreea Oprescu (Barcelona)

- The Status of Women in the Romanian Society: Cultural and Religious Perspectives

12.15 BREAK

12.45 PANEL V

Conservative Anti-Gender Coalitions and the Role of Religion

Georgeta Nazarska (Sofia)

- The “Defense Alliance” and Religious Communities vs. the “Gender”: the Bulgarian Case (2010-2020s)

Kristina Stöckl (Innsbruck)

- Gender in Education: Homeschooling and Alternative Curricula in the Agenda of the World Congress of Families

Heleen Zorgdrager (Amsterdam)

- Anti-Genderist Actors in Ukrainian Civil Society and the (Re)Formation of Christian Identity

14.15 CONCLUSION

Regina Elsner (Berlin)

14.30 END OF THE CONFERENCE