

INVITATION

to a THREE- DAY ONLINE WORKSHOP

“The pandemic's many crises: exploring gender, political power and change”

DATES

Monday 17/01/2022

Tuesday 18/01/2022

Wednesday 19/01/2022

TIME

18.00- 20.00 Greece

17.00- 19.00 Norway

16.00- 18.00 Iceland

THEME

It is by now a commonplace to state that during the COVID-19 pandemic, the spotlight has been shone on certain enduring aspects of gender inequality, most notably the rise in gender-based violence and the increased care burden on women. In addition, there have been media reports arguing that countries with women political leaders have fared better during the pandemic than those with men in political power. Much of this coverage has focussed on leadership style and a comparison of traits that are represented as male or female.

In this workshop, participants will explore some of the questions raised by these narratives, reflecting on the gendered construction of notions of power, governance and the pandemic's numerous crises. Through a mix of interactive activities that will include group work on case studies, the workshop will:

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- (1) Encourage critical reflection on the concept of governance, asking where power lies within societies, what the nature of leadership is and how representations of it are gendered.
- (2) Facilitate exploration of some of the problems or crises intensified or created by the pandemic, paying particular attention to their gendered aspects.
- (3) Enable group brainstorming on potential solutions to these problems, through a consideration of how and where change occurs in society.

The workshop is open to students, activists, thinkers, as well as professionals who are working, studying or doing research in related fields.

PROGRAMME

- Monday 17/1/2022:** “Governance in times of the pandemic: power, governance and gender during COVID”
- Tuesday 18/1/2022:** “Case studies: the pandemic’s many crises”
- Wednesday 19/1/2022:** “Mapping potential solutions to the pandemic’s crises”

The workshop is being organised in the context of the ProGender Project by the Research and Education Collective [RECollective](#) in collaboration with the [Centre for Gender Studies of Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences](#)

WORKSHOP COORDINATORS

Saskia Fischer is a researcher, educator and media maker of Indian and Dutch origin who has worked in Europe, the US and Latin America. Through her practice, both within and beyond the university, she explores the interconnections between media, political subjectivity and struggle and, increasingly, between the human and non-human worlds. Her specialisation is in qualitative research, and she has a particular interest in ethnography, feminist theory and participatory research techniques. In her PhD (University of London, 2018), she investigated Mapuche movements’ use of radio in their [struggles against settler](#)

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[colonialism](#) in Argentina. In addition to academic work, she has broad experience outside the university, and has worked, among other things, as a union organiser, a coordinator of community projects and a youth video educator. Her writing and images have appeared in diverse outlets including academic books and journals, *Open Democracy* and in the productions of the experimental performance group [PartSuspended](#).

Carolin Philipp is a political and education scientist, based in Athens and Berlin. She holds a PhD in political science from the University of Kassel dealing with the historical conditions and forms of social transformation in Greece. She is a member of the Berlin-based global collective (www.glokal.org) and focuses on mediation of postcolonial historical legacies of hegemony and resistances (www.connecting-the-dots.org). She has worked as scientific assistant in various research project in Greece based on the Kapodistrian and Panteion University. Currently she is project coordinator in a decolonial cartography project on global memory politics with glokal. Her publications include a broad thematic spectre from education and crisis (In: Eis, Andreas/Moulin-Doos, Claire, Eds. 2018), decolonial historiography (Endter, Stephanie/Landkammer, Nora/Schneider, Karin 2021, Eds.) to logistics, crisis and social movements (Alimahomed-Wilson, Jake/Ness, Immanuel 2018, Eds.).

To **apply** please visit the following link: <https://progender.panteion.gr/workshop/women-in-governance/>

You will need to upload a short CV and motivation note. If the number of applications exceeds the available places, applicants will be selected based on their CV.

Good knowledge of English is required. The workshop is free of charge.

Deadline for applications: Thursday 13th of January 2021

For more information about the ProGender project please visit our website: <https://progender.panteion.gr/>

Certificates of participation will be given to participants upon request.

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