





# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

## VISIONS OF GENDER AND SOCIOLOGICAL KNOWLEDGE BETWEEN THE ROUTES OF THE MEDITERRANEAN



**University of Palermo  
Campus of Agrigento**

**May  
29-30th  
2014**

-  **The need to understand the routes that genders run through in search of a socially recognized identity requires, now more than ever, a multifaceted look capable to observe and comprehend what is happening not only in Italy but also in those countries, bordering the same Mediterranean sea, where collective histories of violence and prejudice have made it difficult to recognize people' rights to equal dignity and to the "blossoming of being".**
-  **Collective histories of countries such as the Balkans or North Africa, where long wars, loaded with violence and harassment against the weakest and fueled by prejudice and fanaticism, ask for and impose an ex-post analysis. A reflection tempered by time and negotiated by those who have witnessed those wars and today, with an eye to the past, as Benjamin's Angel Novus, go irreversibly into the future.**
-  **The interdisciplinary conference "Visions of gender and sociological knowledge between the routes of the Mediterranean" aims to:**
  - a.** give an opportunity to exchange experiences and theoretical reflections between the academic circles of the different sides of the Mediterranean;
  - b.** establish a network between academic institutions engaging similar disciplines and sharing similar purposes for the development of sociological knowledge;
  - c.** establish a network between non-academic institutions interested in sharing their experiences in the larger context of the Mediterranean.
-  **More specifically, the purpose of the conferences is to establish a forum in which experts on gender and gender violence from different points of view can present and compare their research methods and findings, and engage in a dialogue to promote interdisciplinary cooperation.  
A publication collecting the papers presented during the conference is being planned.**

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**D r a f t P r o g r a m**

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First session May 29th h. 14:00 -18:30

Second session May 30th h. 8:30-13:30

Third session May 30th h. 14:15-17:30

### VISIONS OF GENDER AND GENDER CULTURE IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA

14:00 – Registration of participants

14:30 – Start of Session

Chair: M. Giacomarra, University of Palermo

#### Keynote Speakers

SHALVA WEIL, Hebrew University  
**Methodological Approaches to  
Studying Femicide: the Israeli Case**

FRANCA BIMBI, University of Padova

16:00 – Debate

16:30 – Coffee Break

16:45-18:30 – PARALLEL WORKSHOPS

#### Workshop A

*Identity and Relationships in Migration*  
Coordinators: R.T. Di Rosa and M.G. Musso

#### Workshop B

*Social Policies and Gender Violence*  
Coordinators: F. Cimagalli and G. Gucciardo

#### Workshop C

*Media and Women Representations*  
Coordinators: F. Rizzuto and G. Cappello

#### Workshop D

*Differences of Gender and Sexual Orientation  
between Oppression and Privileges*  
Coordinators: C. Rinaldi and E. Abbatecola

### POWER DYNAMIC BETWEEN GENDERS AND THE STRUGGLES FOR IDENTITY

8:30 - Start of Session

Chair: R. Rovelli, University of Palermo

#### Keynote Speakers

**Lisa Rae Muftic**  
Sam Houston State University  
**Attitudes towards Gender based  
Violence among Law Enforcement  
Officials in Bosnia and Herzegovina**

**Consuelo Corradi**  
Lumsa University of Rome  
**Social Policies against Violence: a  
Comparison between Countries**

**Aleksandar Jugovic**  
Belgrade University  
**Socio-cultural Features Violence  
against Women in Serbia**

11:00 – Debate

11:45 - 13:30 – PARALLEL WORKSHOPS

#### Workshop E

*Symbolic Violence in Gender Relations  
and its Representations*  
Coordinators: I. Bartholini and G. Vingelli

#### Workshop F

*Violence "explained" on the Routes  
of the Mediterranean*  
Coordinators: R. Pelizzari and A. Selvaggio

#### Workshop G

*Racism and Sexism: Theoretical and  
Empirical Cases in the Mediterranean*  
Coordinators: M. Mannoia, M.A. Pirrone,  
A.E. Castronovo

13:30 – Lunch break

### VISIONS OF WOMEN IN PERSPECTIVE

14:15 - PARALLEL WORKSHOPS

#### Workshop H

*Women's Health in the Mediterranean  
Area*  
Coordinators: T. Saccheri e L. Lombardi

#### Workshop I

*Families' Cultural Patterns  
and Women's role  
in the Mediterranean Area*  
Coordinators: I. Crespi, C. Santoni,  
M.L. Zanier

#### Workshop L

*Women travelers.  
Destinations and Routes between  
Opportunity and Insecurities*  
Coordinators: E. Ruspini e A. Decataldo

#### Workshop M

*Gender, Use of Time and Emotions  
between Public and Private Spheres*  
Coordinators: F.M. Lo Verde e V. Pepe

16:00 - ROUNDTABLE BETWEEN  
KEYNOTE SPEAKERS AND WORKSHOP  
COORDINATORS

Chair: Vincenzo Cesareo,  
Catholic University of Milan

17:00 - Debate

17:30 - Final greetings

### CALL FOR PAPERS

Abstracts – max. 400 words with a title, a description of the topic and a short biography of the presenter(s) – must be sent until March 1, 2014 to coordinators of each workshop and to Ignazia Bartholini (ignazia.bartholini@unipa.it). Notification of acceptance will be given until April 1, 2014.

**LINGUEGES OF CONFERENCE:** italian and english  
**PARTICIPATION FEE:** 60 euros (40 euros for students)