PROGRAMME
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APRIL 10, 2017: CONFERENCE DAY ONE

09.15 am – 09.45 am : Conference Registration

09.45 am – 10.00 am : Welcome Address

10.00 am – 11.00 am : Opening Keynote Lecture
BEARING WITNESS: A PERSONALISED ACCOUNT OF THE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT(S) IN INDIA
_Uma Chakravarti (Historian and Filmmaker)_
Chair: _Niraja Gopal Jayal (Jawaharlal Nehru University)_

11.00 am – 11.30 am : Tea

11.30 am – 1.00 pm : Session I

1.1 FEMINIST PEDAGODY AND METHODOLOGY
Chair: _Laura McLeod (University of Manchester)_
- Taming War: The Politics of Teaching Experiential Knowledge of War in the Classroom
  _Harmonie Toros (University of Kent)_
- The Pedagogy of Feminism and the Nation-State
  _Krishna Menon (Ambedkar University)_
- Danish and Swedish Veteran Narratives, Gender Cosmopolitan Obligation
  _Annika Bergman Rosamond (Lund University)_
- Narratives on the Passage of WPS Resolutions: Implications for Research
  _Soumita Basu (South Asian University)_
- Emotions in Feminist Research
  _Jenny Hedström (Monash University)_

1.2 LOCAL NARRATIVES OF GLOBAL POLITICAL ECONOMY
Chair: _Anne Sisson Runyan (University of Cincinnati)_
- Banishing the Ghosts? Tracing Women’s Domestic Labor in Postcolonial Capitalism
  _Jayati Lal (University of California, Berkeley)_
- Cultural Politics of Labor Market: Nepali Maids in New Delhi
  _Chudamani Basnet and Sandhya A S (South Asian University)_
- Role of Readymade Garment (RMG) Sector in Changing the Livelihood Pattern of Rural Women: An Analysis of Garment Workers in Bangladesh
  _Nahid Sharmin (Transparency International Bangladesh)_
- Women’s Representations in Southeast Asia: A Feminist Understanding of Democratic Agency and Practice
  _Denise M. Horn (Simmons College)_
• Diapers and Snipers: Neoliberal Management of Labour Relations in Security and Domestic Global Industries  
   *Amanda Chisholm (Newcastle University), Anna Agathangelou (York University)*

1.3 MASCULINITIES IN FAMILIAR SPACES  
Chair: *Isabella Esquivel Ventura (Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales FLACSO)*  
• Militarizing Professional Sports: Gender and National Identity  
   *Leigh Spanner (University of Alberta)*  
• The Discomfort of Safety: Theorizing Gendered Civilian Anxiety in Wartime  
   *Katharine Millar (London School of Economics and Political Science)*  
• Masculinities and British Military Recruitment Practices: Exploring Feminist Possibilities for Change  
   *Matthew Kearns (Newcastle University)*  
• ‘War is not for Pussies!’ – Vigilantes, Mercenaries, Privateers and Reinvigorated Masculinities in International Security  
   *Julia Sachseder (University of Vienna) and Julian Schmid (University of Warwick)*  
• Masculinised Strategic Studies – The Impact on the Daily Discourse of Security Studies  
   *Shayesta Nishat Ahmed (Jawaharlal Nehru University)*

1.4 REFLECTIONS ON GENDER, FEMINISMS AND DISASTER POLITICS IN SOUTH AND SOUTH EAST ASIA  
Chair: *Kati Marjaana Jauhola (University of Helsinki)*  
• Feminise Resilience in South Asia  
   *Mihir Bhatt, Director (All India Disaster Management Institute)*  
• Development Aid, State Building and Gendered Narratives of Inclusion in Post-conflict Nepal  
   *Minna Lyytikäinen (University of Helsinki)*  
• Gender, Women and Disaster: Lessons from Here and There  
   *Swarna Rajagopalan (The Prajnya Trust)*  
• Memderdaya (to empower) or memperdaya (to cheat)?: Reflective Notes on Women and Livelihood Programs in the Aftermath Tsunami Aid Programs in Aceh  
   *Eka Srimulyani and Maida Irawani (State Islamic University Ar-Raniry)*  
• Gendered Impacts of Disaster Related Displacement in Nepal  
   *Punam Yadav (London School of Economics and Political Science)*

1.00 pm – 2.00 pm : Lunch

2.00 pm – 3.30 pm : Session II

2.1 QUEER INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS I: THE (IM)POSSIBILITIES OF NORMALIZATION AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF LAW, CULTURE AND POLITICS  
Chair: *Laura J. Shepherd (University of New South Wales)*  
• Justification, Practice and Queer: Global Sexuality Politics and Human Rights
**Anthony J Langlois (Flinders University)**
- Interrogating Clinton’s Declaration “Gay Rights are Human Rights and Human Rights are Gay Rights” as an International Relations Myth

**Cynthia Weber (University of Sussex)**
- The Quest for Affirmative Sexual Rights at the United Nations: A Foucauldian Reading

**Tishya Khillare (Jawaharlal Nehru University)**
- Rupaul’s Drag Race: Global Queer Activism or Complicit Homonormativity?

**Daniel Conway (University of Westminster)**

### 2.2 MEDIUMS OF KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION

**Chair:** *Krishna Menon (Ambedkar University)*

- Scraps of Hope: Inequalities and the Everyday in Post-Tsunami Banda Aceh
  **Kati Marjaana Jauhola (University of Helsinki)**
- Film as a method of feminist knowledge production: case of HIV-related film in Tanzania
  **Sophie Harman (Queen Mary University of London)**
- Ethical Encounters: Friendship, Reckoning and Healing in Contemporary Films about the Bangladesh Liberation War
  **Elora Halim Chowdhury (University of Massachusetts, Boston)**
- Syrian Refugee Figurations and Virtual Reality: A Feminist Curiosity
  **Debangana Chatterjee (Jawaharlal Nehru University)**
- The News Media’s Role in Feminist Peace-building in Post-Conflict Societies
  **Ashleigh McFeeters (Queen’s University Belfast)**

### 2.3 GENDERING CONTESTATIONS, RESISTANCE AND SOLIDARITY: I

**Chair:** *Rekha Pande (University of Hyderabad)*

  **Anne Sisson Runyan (University of Cincinnati)**
- Beyond Critical Humanitarianism: Tracing Manifold Solidarities Across and Around the Mediterranean Sea
  **Anitta Kynsilehto (University of Tampere)**
- Our Losses: Global Feminist Theology and War Widows in Post-War Sri Lanka
  **Anupama Ranawana (University of Aberdeen)**
- Looking for Women’s Voices in the Arab Uprisings
  **Urvashi Sarkar (Independent Journalist and Researcher)**

3.30 pm – 4.00 pm : Tea

4.00 pm – 5.00 pm : **Session III**

### 3.1 ETHICS, SUBJECTIVITY, TRAUMA AND GENDER IN ISRAEL (AND PALESTINE)

**Chair:** *Jessica Auchter (University of Tennessee at Chattanooga)*

- "But I am a good and moral person": 'Charitable' Practices and Political Subjectivities of Zionist Settler Women
Akanksha Mehta (University of Sussex)
• Who Cares? Decoding Gender, Ethics and Security in ‘New Wars'
  Amalia Sa’ar (University of Haifa), Sarai Aharoni (Ben Gurion University of the Negev) and Alisa Lewin (University of Haifa)
• The Politics of Trauma Studies – What Can We Learn from Women Combatants’ Experiences of Traumatic Events in Conflict Zones?
  Shir Daphna-Tekoah (Ashkelon Academic College) and Ayelet Harel-Shalev (Ben-Gurion University of the Negev)

3.2 GENDER AND PEACE EDUCATION (INTERACTIVE SESSION)
• Betty A. Reardon (International Institute on Peace Education)
  in conversation with
  Shweta Singh (South Asian University)

3.3 PUBLISHING WITH INTERNATIONAL FEMINIST JOURNAL OF POLITICS: MEET THE EDITORS (INTERACTIVE SESSION)
• Laura Sjoberg (University of Gainesville Florida), Chair
• Heidi Hudson (University of the Free State)
• Cynthia Weber (University of Sussex)
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9.30 am – 11.00 am : Session IV

4.1 THE VIOLENCE OF FEMINISM/THE FEMINIST CONCERN WITH VIOLENCE
Chair: Heidi Hudson (University of the Free State)

- Securing feminism, (in)securing women. The violent work of ‘feminism’ in the international security machine
  Marysia Zalewski (Cardiff University) and Anne Sisson Runyan (University of Cincinnati)
- White Women, Saving Brown Women (and White Men), from Brown Men?
  Cristina Masters (University of Manchester)
- Getting Better At Counting “Gender”: Violent manifestations of/within governance feminism
  Laura McLeod (University of Manchester)
- Countering Violence, Countering Extremism: The Women, Peace and Security Agenda in Service of Countering Violent Extremism
  Laura J. Shepherd (University of New South Wales)
- Western Women and Jihadi Brides: Feminist Intersections in the ‘War on Terror’
  Tami Amanda Jacoby (University of Manitoba)

4.2 PUBLIC HEALTH: LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL DYNAMICS
Chair: Sophie Harman (Queen Mary University of London)

- Neoliberalism and Commercial Surrogacy in India
  Dalia Bhattacharjee (Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Mohali)
- Surrogacy: The Garb of Empowerment
  Namreeta Kumari (University of Delhi)
- ‘The Personal is International’: A Critical Look at the Commercial Surrogacy ‘Industry’ in India
  Sneha Banerjee (Sama Resource Group for Women and Health)
- Staying within the Margins: Applying Feminism to Public Health Practices and Interventions in Red Light District in India
  Jessica Peet and Martha Ryan (University of Southern California)

4.3 SITUATED PERSPECTIVES ON FEMINIST INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
Chair: Kati Marjaana Jauhola (University of Helsinki)

- Locating the ‘International’ in Feminist IR: A Postcolonial Critique from South Asia
  Swati Parashar (Monash University)
- A Feminist Take on Transregionalization: Identifying Modes of Engagement in Sino-African Relations
  Rirhandu Mageza-Barthel and Uta Ruppert (Goethe University Frankfurt)
- Regional Feminism: The Forgotten Spaces for Talk and Action?
  Jane Alver (University of Canberra)
- The EU and Gendered Violence Within and Beyond Borders
5.1 QUEER INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS II: THE (IM)POSSIBILITIES OF NORMALIZATION IN GLOBAL POWER POLITICS

Chair: Cynthia Weber (University of Sussex)
- The Queer (Im)possibilities of US-Cuba Normalization
  Amy Lind (University of Cincinnati)
- Erectile Dysfunction: Anxieties of, and about, Rising Members
  Rahul Rao (SOAS, University of London)
- Locating the ‘Transgender’ in the Indian LGBT Rights Discourse
  Johnny Arokiaraj P (South Asian University)
- Splitting with Hegel: A Theoretical Unbinding from Orthodoxies of Western Queer Theory
  akshay khanna (Independent Scholar)

5.2 RECALIBERATING VIOLENCE AND SECURITY

Chair: Harmonie Toros (University of Kent)
- Gender and Posthuman Peacebuilding: A Theoretical Exploration
  Heidi Hudson (University of the Free State)
- Correlation, Causation or Nothing? Evaluating the Relationship Between Sex Equality and Violence
  Laura Sjoberg, Cameron Thies and Kelly Kadera (University of Florida, Gainesville)
- Gender Stereotypes in the Study of Global Terrorism
  Upasana Mahanta (OP Jindal Global University)
- Middle Power Gender Interventionism in the 21st Century
  Christine Agius (Swinburne University) and Annika Bergman Rosamond (Lund University)
- Forced Male Circumcision: Understanding Gender-based Violence in Kenya
  Jessica Auchter (University of Tennessee at Chattanooga)

5.3 LOCAL-GLOBAL: LOSSES (AND GAINS?) IN TRANSLATIONS

Chair: Swarna Rajagopalan (The Prajnya Trust)
- From International Discourses to Domestic Uses: Gender Politics and Feminist Mobilizations in the Colombian Peace Agreements
  Camille Boutron (Universidad de los Andes – CIDER)
- Resolution of the Constitutional Dilemma of the Uniform Civil Code in India through the Women’s Convention
  Shritha Vasudevan (University of Florida, Gainesville)
- ‘Women’s Rights versus Peacemaking? A Critical Assessment of EU Support for Women’s Empowerment Programs in Afghanistan
  Sylvia Maier (New York University)
- The Women, Peace and Security Agenda in Asia-Pacific: From Global to Local and from Local to Global
Barbara K. Trojanowska (Monash University)
- DDR and Female Ex-Combatants

Michanne Steenbergen (University of Manchester)

1.00 pm – 2.00 pm : Lunch

2.00 pm – 3.30 pm : Session VI

6.1 ASSESSING INTERNATIONAL POLICY MECHANISMS
Chair: Barbara K. Trojanowska (Monash University)
- The Changing Face of Body Politics: United Nations and Political Struggles for Bodily Integrity
  Tishya Khillare (Jawaharlal Nehru University)
- Analysis of Women’s Tribunal
  Indira Skoric (CUNY and CCV)
- Identifying Loopholes in International Humanitarian Law: A Critical Assessment of UNSCR 1325
  Shreya Banerjee and Shreya Chatterjee (National University of Educational Planning and Administration)
- R2P and Women as Perpetrators and Resisters of Atrocities
  Christine Bennett (Flinders University)

6.2 GENDERING CONTESTATIONS, RESISTANCE AND SOLIDARITY: II
Chair: Jane Alver (University of Canberra)
- Bodily Choreographies and Resistance in Migrant Camps: Liminal Spaces of Relationality and Disturbance
  Anitta Kynsilehto and Eeva Puumala (University of Tampere)
- Taking Protest, Civilian Politics, and Gender Seriously: Security Narratives, ISIS, and the Syrian Civil War
  Jonathon Whooley (San Francisco State University)
- Internal ‘Governance’ of Labour NGOs – ‘Private’ Matters? Cases from Hong Kong
  Doris Lee (City University of Hong Kong)
- Are NGOs Good or Evil? Mixed Findings in Feminist Movements of East Timor
  Li-Li Chen (University of Florida, Gainesville)
- Patriarchy Remains As Much Within As Outside: Schisms Between Theory and Praxis
  Arpita Chakraborty (Dublin City University)

6.3 FEMINISMS IN PRACTICE
Chair: Swati Parashar (Monash University)
- Breaking the Masculine Mould: Carving Feminist Spaces in International Relations
  Padmini Ghosh (Jamia Milia Islamia), Diksha Poddar (Jawaharlal Nehru University) and Deya Bhattacharya (Jamia Milia Islamia)
- Gender, Security, Men and Masculinities in the International Mechanisms for Peace in the Contemporary World
Isabella Esquivel Ventura (Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales FLACSO)
- Addressing Islamophobia Using Feminist Perspectives

Dipti Tamang (Darjeeling Government College)
- Women’s Quest for a Secure World

Ayeshee Dixit
- The Earth Building Movement and Gender Empowerment

Catherine Jean (University of Florida, Gainesville)

3.30 pm – 4.00 pm : Tea

4.00 pm – 5.00 pm : Session VII

7.1 WOMEN BUILDING A FEMINIST PEACE: REFLECTIONS ON FEMINIST PRAXIS (ROUNDTABLE)
Chair: Swarna Rajagopalan (The Prajnya Trust)
Participants: Asha Hans (Sanskriti)
Rita Manchanda (South Asian Forum for Human Rights)
Saumya Uma (Maharashtra National Law University Mumbai)
Sumona DasGupta (Participatory Research in Asia)
Shweta Singh (South Asian University)

7.2 IMPLICATIONS OF QUEER IR THEORIZING FOR INTERNATIONAL POLICY (ROUNDTABLE)
Chair: Amy Lind (University of Cincinnati)
Participants: Michael J Bosia (Saint Michael’s College)
Jamie J. Hagen (University of Massachusetts, Boston)
Anthony Langlois (Flinders University)
Christine Keating (University of Washington, Seattle)

7.3 FEMINIST PERSPECTIVES ON DIPLOMACY: REFLECTIONS ON THE PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP (ROUNDTABLE)
Chair: Soumita Basu (South Asian University)
Participants: Laura Sjoberg (University of Gainesville, Florida)
Silja Bara Omarsdottir (University of Iceland)
Stephanie Cawood (University of the Free State)
Shayesta Nisat Ahmed (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

6.30 pm – 7.30 pm : Closing Keynote Lecture
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