



Colloquium

Transdisciplinarity Revisited

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Dorotheenstr. 24, Room 1.308

Friday, 13th May 2011

Interdisciplinarity has been an prominent axiom of feminist research. As a result, Gender Studies in Germany have been institutionalised in inter-/transdisciplinary centres and professorships are usually specialisations within more established disciplines. Other European countries such as Sweden and the Netherlands took a different path and Gender Studies have been institutionalised as a field in its own right, whereas in some countries such as Greece and Portugal the institutionalisation is marginal. However, all in all, Gender Studies in Europe increasingly fulfill disciplinary criteria. For instance, in Germany, several generations of students graduated in Gender Studies and recently the Gender Studies Association was founded. These institutional developments go along with developments of content and coincide with structural changes within academia that are virulent all over Europe.

In this workshop we will discuss questions on all levels, on the institutionalisation as well as content of Gender Studies: What kind of disciplinary mechanisms, hierarchies and boundaries are created within Gender Studies? What impact do current institutional developments have on the project of inter/transdisciplinarity? And: How threatening are structural changes within academia for Gender Studies?

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**Genderact - academic cultures and
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09:30 Welcome
Sabine Grenz, Gabriele Jähnert (HU Berlin)

09:45 - 11:15
Angeliki Alvanoudi (Aristotle University, Thessaloniki)

**Transgressing disciplinary and institutional
borders: the challenge of interdisciplinarity in
European Women's/Gender Studies**

*Maria Pereira (London School of Economics and
Political Science)*

**My (Inter)Discipline Produces Better Knowledge
Than Yours: (Inter)Disciplinarity and the Demarca-
tion of Epistemic Status within Gender Studies**

11:15 - 11:30
Coffee Break

11:30 - 13:00
Iris van der Tuin (Utrecht University)
**Disciplinary Cartesian Cuts, Interdisciplinary Agen-
tial Cuts: Reading Fieldwork Notes through Barad's
Agential Realism**

Mia Liinason (Lund University)
Feminist critique as a disciplinary practice

13:00 - 14:30
Lunch

14:30 - 15:15
*Kerstin Alnebratt (Swedish Secretariat for Gender
Research)*

**The danger of becoming invisible again. Gender
Studies in Sweden within new mega-departments**

15:15 - 15:30
Coffee Break

15:30 - 17:00
Nina Lykke (Linköping University)
Post-Disziplinarity

Lann Hornscheidt (HU Berlin)
**De-disciplining feminist academic
knowledge production**