

International workshop

Post-Soviet Women: New Challenges and Ways to Empowerment

Wednesday 28 September 2022

IRES Library, Gamla Torget 3, 3rd floor, Uppsala University

9.30 Welcome and introductory remarks by organizers

9.40-12.30 **Part 1. Women's Position in the post-Soviet societies**

Chair: Ann-Mari Sätre, Professor, IRES Institute for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Uppsala University

Chapter 2. From defending women's rights in the "whole world" to silence about Russian predatory war? The (geo)politics of the Eurasian Women's Forums in the context of "traditional values"

Yulia Gradskova, Associate Professor, Södertörn University

Chapter 3. Debates on domestic violence prevention law in Russia – pro and contra

Elena Lukovitskaya, Associate Professor, Novgorod State University, Russia

Chapter 4. When the Private Remains Nonpolitical: Gender Equality and the Example of Armenia

Li Bennich-Björkman, Professor, Dept of Government, Uppsala University

10.25-10.55 **Discussion**

10.55-11.10 Coffee break

Chapter 5. General Trends in Gender Inequality in Post-Soviet Central Asia

Alma Kudebayeva, Assistant Professor, KIMEP University in Almaty, Kazakhstan

Chapter 6. Women's rights in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan: In the grip of conservative re-traditionalization and neoliberal capitalism

Galym Zhussipbek, PhD & Zhanar Nagayeva, both independent scholar based in Almaty, Kazakhstan

Chapter 7. Why was there no (real) FEMEN in the Baltic states?

Matthew Kott, PhD, Researcher, IRES, Uppsala University

11.55-12.25 **Discussion**

12.25-13.30 Lunch break

13.30-14.45 **Part 2. Negotiating Women's Roles**

Chair: Vladislava Vladimirova, Associate Professor, Uppsala University

Chapter 9. Women parliamentarians in Armenia: from traditional theme-takers to the new theme-givers

Ani Grigoryan PhD candidate, National Academy of Sciences, Armenia

Chapter 10. "There's no master left": ethnography of post-Soviet melancholy of Belarusian rural women

Aliaksandra Shrubok, PhD candidate, IRES, Uppsala University

Chapter 11. Being a Woman: discourses and imaginaries through the lenses of Russian nationalist and patriotic organizations

Alexandra Brankova, PhD candidate, IRES, Uppsala University

14.15-14.45 **Discussion**

14.15-15.00 Coffee break

15.00 -16.15 **Part 3. New Movements and Activisms**

Chair: Yulia Gradskova, Associate Professor, Södertörn University

Chapter 13. 'Nas b'iut, my letaem ... 'They beat us, we fly... Women Empowerment through Activism in the Russian North

Vladislava Vladimirova, Associate Professor, Dept of Anthropology/IRES, Uppsala university & **Elena Liarskaia**, Associate Prof., European University at St. Petersburg

Chapter 14. The privilege to know: power, stigma and authority in Russophone feminist translations of intersectionality. Buzzing feminisms in times of 'conservative turn'

Dinara Yangeldina, PhD candidate at the University of Bergen, Norway

Chapter 16. Women's Agency During the Conservative Wave in Russian Social Policy **Ann-Mari Sätre**, Professor, IRES, Uppsala University

15.45-16.15 **Discussion**

16.20-16.35 *Chapter 8. Valkyries and Madonnas: Women's representation and agency during the Russo-Ukrainian war*

Kateryna Boyko, PhD candidate, IRES, Uppsala University

16.35-17.00 Final discussion and closing remarks by organizers

Organizers:

Ann-Mari Sätre and Vladislava Vladimirova, both at Uppsala University, and Yulia Gradskova at CBEES, Södertörn University.