

The conference is organized by a Sino-Nordic planning group from eight Nordic and three Chinese universities:

#### **NORWAY:**

- University of Oslo (Centre for Gender Research and Department of Education)
- Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim (Department of Interdisciplinary Studies of Culture)
- Nord University, Bodø (Faculty of Social Sciences)

#### **DENMARK:**

- University of Copenhagen (the Coordination of Gender research)
- University of Southern Denmark (Institute for Design and Communication)
- Aalborg University (FREIA – Feminist Research Center in Aalborg)

#### **SWEDEN:**

- Lund University (School of Social Work)

#### **FINLAND:**

- University of Tampere (School of Social Sciences and Humanities)

#### **NORDIC:**

- NIAS – Nordic Institute of Asian Studies, University of Copenhagen

#### **CHINA:**

- Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing
- Shanghai University
- Fudan University, Shanghai

The conference is the 6th conference of the Sino-Nordic Women and Gender Studies Conference Series (see the website: [nias.ku.dk/fudan/sino-nordic-gender-studies-network](http://nias.ku.dk/fudan/sino-nordic-gender-studies-network)).

#### **Main organizer:**

**Centre for Gender Research, University of Oslo**

International Conference  
University of Oslo, Norway  
August 27-30th, 2017

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– gender and generation  
in times of change

Deadline for submission of individual papers  
and panel abstracts: 15th December 2016

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## CALL FOR PAPERS:

This conference focuses on gender and generations in times of social and economic change, in particular economic crises, migration and environmental challenges. Processes of industrialization, urbanization, deregulation, migration and globalization have had profound effects on gender and generational relations that display both differences and similarities in different national and regional contexts. These have far-reaching consequences on the conditions for gender equality work and feminist academic research practices.

The aim of the conference is to understand the multifaceted impacts of modernisation and crises on different age groups (Age), gendered strategies to deal with the impacts/changes (Agency) as well as the uncertainties people are facing (Ambiguity). The conference invites papers on a wide array of topics related to gender, generation and modernization. Papers may focus on different aspects of modernization of everyday life, for instance, family, work, education, youth, sexuality, reproduction, body and consumption, or on wider issues connected to human rights, feminist activism, politics, environmental challenges and sustainability. We invite papers that address these issues either in a single national context or by comparing different contexts. The aim is to understand modernisation and crises by comparing different parts of the world, however, each individual paper does not need to involve this comparative dimension, as the comparison will also emerge also across papers at the conference.

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## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

- **Michael Kimmel**, Professor of Masculinity Studies and Sociology at Stony Brook, New York, USA
- **Yan Yunxiang**, Professor of Anthropology and Chinese Studies at UCLA, Los Angeles, USA
- **Pun Ngai**, Professor of Social Sciences at Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong, China
- **Pei Yuxin**, Associate Professor of Social Work at Sun Yat-Sen University, Guangzhou, China
- **Lene Myong**, Professor of Gender Studies at the University of Stavanger, Norway
- **Helene Aarseth**, Associate Professor of Gender Studies and Sociology at the University of Oslo, Norway

In addition to the keynote speeches, the conference offers parallel streams of thematic workshops and round tables. We aim at a flexible model where different formats are used for different types of topics and discussions.

## PRELIMINARY PLAN FOR WORKSHOPS:

- Generations of feminisms
- Gender equality and human rights
- Gender, environmental challenges and sustainability
- Youth, gender, generation
- Changing models and practices of masculinities/femininities
- Body politics, bio politics, sexuality and reproduction
- Open workshops

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The abstract should be in English and have a length of approximately 150 words. In addition, please include the following information: name, position, affiliation and email address.

The language of the conference will be English

**More information about the conference and paper submission on:**  
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