

**Workshop on
Contemporary Research on Gender and Far Right**

17 November 2023
13:00 – 18:00

Convenors
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Location
Freie Universität Berlin
IfPuK Seminar Room in
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Introduction

After two productive and engaging workshops at Humboldt Universität Berlin, we are pleased to host the 3rd Workshop on Contemporary Research on the Far Right, at Freie Universität Berlin. The workshop titled “Contemporary Research on Gender and Far Right” aims to delve deeper into the relationship between the wave of far-right ideas and gender issues. Research areas include the role of the so-called nuclear family to far-right doctrine, far-right ideas and performances of masculinity (see e.g., Sauer, 2020; Strick, 2020), the anti-gender discourse, as well as the appropriation and subversion of feminist ideas by the far right, which has been described as “strategic progressivism” (Dietze & Roth, 2020, p. 13), facilitating the unlikely alliances e.g., in case of the anti-trans discourse (Pearce et al., 2020). New theoretical approaches are also emerging to examine these developments, such as the concept of “manosphere” describing the misogynist space – especially on social media – that encourages and legitimizes gender-based violence and promotes heteronormative and patriarchal ideas of gender and sexuality (Dickel & Evolvi, 2022).

To work on the above, the workshop will consist of two parts. The first part includes presentations by different scholars based in Berlin dealing with the role of gender in far-right discourse, ideology, and mobilization. A total of 15 minutes is scheduled for each presentation, with 15 minutes afterwards for discussion with the rest of the group (some flexibility is allowed given the different types of structure for each presentation).

The second part will be a discussion session in a freer format, where different attendees will be able to raise topics that they find relevant to the discussion. Theoretical, methodological, empirical, etc. topics are welcome here.

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- **Module 1: Presentations session**

13:15 – 13:30 *Evidence-based misogyny in a post-factual world – tracing the changing role of pseudo-science in the Manosphere.* Wyn Brodersen, Ann-Kathrin Rothermel (University of Bern & University of Potsdam)

13:30 – 13:45 *Reactionary feminism and the mainstreaming of the far right: a case study of the German magazine Emma.* Dominika Tronina & Luke Shuttleworth (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)

13:45 – 14:15 Discussion between participants

14:15 – 14:30 Short break

14:30 – 14:45 *Dancing with wolves: neoliberal masculinity and women in the right.* Belén Díaz (Freie Universität Berlin)

14:45 – 15:00 Discussion between participants

15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break

- **Module 2: Discussion session**

15:30 – 17:00: Discussion session in a freer format

17:00 – 17:30: Feedback, open questions, suggestions & planning for the next workshop

18:00 Dinner