

Family is presently the subject of intense and controversial debates – in the media, in politics, in academia and in everyday life. These discussions are sometimes about the family as a norm, an ideal and as the „fundamental unit“ of society. At other times they concentrate on the family as lived practice, as a way of life, a life-form currently undergoing (potentially) profound changes. For some these changes indicate a crisis, or even worse, the imminent corrosion of family, trends that have to be stopped and undone at all costs. Others see therein an opportunity to form new family arrangements and new ways of living together that had not been livable up until now. In short: A vast array social problems are currently negotiated through and around the theme of family. The emotional charge of the debate illustrates the ambivalence of the family: family is experienced as a place of security, intimacy, and mutual devotion, and it is problematized as a place of violence, abuse and neglect.

The conference aims to work through and critically assess the meaning of historical and current processes of family formation: What exactly is going on in current family arrangements? What historical continuities and ruptures can be identified? Why do most current problematizations of the social concentrate on the family, and why is the family so controversial? Finally, what could the alternatives and interventions at stake be from a critical perspective?

In different keynotes, panels and roundtables we will explore a broad range of themes such as the pluralization of family arrangements, parental and childhood norms, and the legal foundations and theoretical concepts of family. These topics will be illuminated in regional as well as transnational contexts.

Another goal of the conference is to promote and make visible the research of young scholars in Gender Studies in Switzerland. In two graduate workshops international experts will discuss current themes in Gender Studies with PhD students in Gender Studies.

#### CONFERENCE LANGUAGES German/English

#### REGISTRATION

Please register online by August 25, 2014

<https://www.gendercampus.ch/en/sggf/veranstaltungen/tagung-2014>

Child care provided on Thursday, Sept. 11 & Friday, Sept. 12 – sign up deadline is July 30

#### CONFERENCE FEES

Regular CHF 100.–  
SGGF member **or** precarious (AHV, IV, unemployed, student) CHF 50.–  
SGGF member **and** precarious (AHV, IV, unemployed, student) CHF 25.–

#### CONVENOR

Swiss Association of Gender Studies SGGF  
[www.genregeschlecht.ch](http://www.genregeschlecht.ch)

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Part-time employed CHF 60.–

Full-time employed CHF 100.–

Collective membership CHF 150.–

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## Controversial Concepts, Politics and Practices

### Program SGGF Conference 2014

September 11 - 13  
University of Basel

Société suisse d'Etudes Genre SSEG

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Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Geschlechterforschung SGGF

#### Keynotes

Prof. Dr. Suad Joseph  
University of California, Davis

Prof. Dr. Andrea Büchler  
Universität Zürich

#### VENUE

University of Basel, main building (Petersplatz 1)

## THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2014

13:00 - 14:00	Registration and Coffee
14:00 - 14:45	<b>WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION</b> AUDITORIUM Eva Herzog COUNCILLOR BASEL-STADT Maarten J.F.M. Hoenen VICE-RECTOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BASEL and Andrea Maihofer PRESIDENT SGGF
15:00 - 17:45	<b>Panel-Session 1 &amp; Graduate Workshop I</b> • <b>Panel 1a</b> LANGUAGE: GERMAN/ENGLISH Thinking Family (in new ways). Theory, Utopia, Critique Leonidas Anagnostopoulos TÜBINGEN, Cornelia Schadler MÜNCHEN, Kristina Schulz BERN, Barbara Umrath FLENSBURG Moderation: Bettina Dennerlein ZÜRICH • <b>Panel 1b</b> LANGUAGE: GERMAN/ENGLISH Migration & Family: Between Law and Practice Thomas Geisen OLLEN, Luzia Jurt OLLEN, Olha Mykytyn-Gazziero GENÈVE, Lira Turrer Dolabella LISBOA Moderation: Janine Dahinden NEUCHÂTEL • <b>Graduate Workshop I</b> LANGUAGE: ENGLISH Narratives about sexual politics in transitional societies Nina Seiler ZÜRICH, Ieva Bisigirskaitė ZÜRICH, Sabine Binder ZÜRICH Expert: Christina Scharff LONDON Moderation: Janina Scholz BASEL
17:45 - 18:15	Coffee break
18:15 - 20:00	<b>Keynote 1</b> AUDITORIUM Family matters: The state of scholarship on Arab families Suad Joseph UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS Moderation: Bettina Dennerlein ZÜRICH

### Cultural Program September 11-13

Big Five IV. A Family history  
Audio-Video Installation by Cecile Weibel

## FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2014

09:15 - 11:15	<b>Panel-Session 2 &amp; Graduate Workshop II</b> • <b>Panel 2a</b> LANGUAGE: GERMAN Vaterschaft und Männlichkeit Andreas Borter BURGDORF, Nicole Kirchhoff DORTMUND, Benjamin Neumann DORTMUND, Moderation: Stefan Paulus ST. GALLEN • <b>Panel 2b</b> LANGUAGE: GERMAN Realpolitik und Utopie Juana Remus BERLIN, Vanessa Rüegger BASEL/BRIG, Rosemarie Weibel LUGANO Moderation: Sandra Hotz FRIBOURG/ZÜRICH, Michelle Cottier BASEL • <b>Graduate Workshop II</b> LANGUAGE: GERMAN Auseinandersetzung mit traditionellen Geschlechterrollen in Zeiten des Umbruchs Anina Eigenmann BERN, Ayşe Zeynep Pamuk ZÜRICH Expert: Regula Ludi BERN Moderation: Tanja Rietmann BERN
11:15 - 11:45	Coffee break
11:45 - 13:15	<b>Keynote 2</b> AUDITORIUM Rechtspluralismus in Familienrechten Europas!? Andrea Büchler ZÜRICH Moderation: Andrea Maihofer BASEL
13:15 - 14:45	Lunch break
14:45 - 17:30	<b>Panel-Session 3 &amp; Graduate Workshop II cont.</b> • <b>Panel 3a</b> LANGUAGE: GERMAN Kinder im Fokus von Normierungsprozessen Macarena García ZÜRICH, Dominique Grisard LONDON, Anna Lehninger ZÜRICH, Patricia Purtschert ZÜRICH Moderation: Lilian Frankhauser BERN • <b>Panel 3b</b> LANGUAGE: GERMAN Ambivalenzen neuer und alter Carearrangements Nadia Baghdadi/Raphaela Hettlage ST. GALLEN, Romy Reimer PADERBORN, Sarah Schilliger BASEL, Eva Tolasch MÜNCHEN Moderation: Michèle Amacker BERN • <b>Panel 3c</b> LANGUAGE: GERMAN Die aktuelle Reform des Rechts der elterlichen Sorge Bettina Bannwart LUZERN, Markus Theunert ZÜRICH, Diana Baumgarten BASEL Commentary: Roland Fankhauser BASEL Moderation: Michelle Cottier BASEL

### • Graduate Workshop II (continued)

LANGUAGE: GERMAN/ENGLISH

Auseinandersetzung mit traditionellen Geschlechterrollen in Zeiten des Umbruchs  
Elife Biçer-Deveci BERN, Maaret Jokela-Pansini BERN  
Expert: Susan Zimmermann BUDAPEST  
Moderation: Tanja Rietmann BERN

17:30 - 18:15 Coffee break

### 18:15 - 20:00 Roundtable 1

AUDITORIUM Regenbogenfamilien: Status quo in der Schweiz  
Maria von Känel ZÜRICH, Yv E. Nay BASEL, Serena Dankwa BASEL, Hannes Rudolph ZÜRICH, Franziska Schutzbach BASEL  
Moderation: Patricia Purtschert ZÜRICH

20:00 Apéro riche and evening program

## SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2014

### 10:15 - 13:00 Panel-Session 4

• **Panel 4a** LANGUAGE: GERMAN/ENGLISH  
Familial Arrangements & Norms  
Vanessa Brändalesi LAUSANNE, Rahel Kunz LAUSANNE, Julia Nentwich/Verena Witzig ST. GALLEN, Nina Wehner BASEL  
Moderation: Tomke König BIELEFELD

• **Panel 4b** LANGUAGE: GERMAN  
Reproduktionstechnologie und Elternschaft  
Sarah Dionisia FRANKFURT A.M., Laura Perler BASEL, Rhea Seehaus FRANKFURT A.M., Kathrin Zehnder ZÜRICH  
Moderation: Heidi Simoni ZÜRICH

• **Panel 4c** LANGUAGE: GERMAN  
Affekte, Fiktionen, Narrationen  
Yv E. Nay BASEL, Brigitte Röder BASEL, Fleur Weibel BASEL, Andrea Zimmermann BASEL  
Moderation: Elke Frietsch ZÜRICH

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch break

### 14:30 - 16:00 Roundtable 2

AUDITORIUM Soll alles so bleiben, wie es nie war?  
Caroline Arni BASEL, Janine Dahinden NEUCHÂTEL, Jacqueline Fehr ZÜRICH, N.N.  
Moderation: Andrea Maihofer BASEL

16:00 - 16:15 Coffee break

16:15 - 17:00 Members meeting of the Swiss Association of Gender Studies SGGF