

**International Geographical Union
Commission on Gender and Geography
Pre – Conference Meeting on:**

Bridging Gendered Diversity in a Globalizing World

**July, 8-10 ,2010
Ein-Karem, Jerusalem**

Organizers:

**Tovi Fenster- Planning for the Environment with Communities –
PEC Lab, Tel Aviv University**

Orna Blumen, The Department of Human Services, University of Haifa

**Chen Misgav - Planning for the Environment with Communities –
PEC Lab, Tel Aviv University**

Wednesday, 7 July, 2010 – 19:30 – Welcome dinner for the early arrivers in one of the local restaurants in *Ein Karem* (not included in registration fees)

Thursday, 8 July, 2010

9:00- 9:15- Welcome greetings

Tovi Fenster on behalf of the Organizers

Robyn Longhurst – Chair of the Gender and Geography Commission

9:15 – 10:45 : **Space, Place and Intersectionality**

Chair: Orna Blumen, University of Haifa

Elisabeth Buehler, University of Zurich, Switzerland:

Bridging Paradoxes –Gender-mainstreaming in - Public Parks

Elena Vacchelli, Middlesex University, UK:

Women Organizations' Everyday Networks between Dissent and Urban Governance

Deborah Berenstein, University of Haifa, Israel:
The Twilight Zone of In Between - Prostitution between Jaffa and Tel Aviv in Mandate Palestine.

Ephrat Huss, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel:
Shifting Spaces and Lack of Spaces, Impoverished Bedouin Women's Experience of Cultural Transition

10:45-11:15 Coffee break

11:15 – 13:30- **Gendered Borders and Barriers**

Chair: Chen Misgav, Tel Aviv University

Omna Berick-Aharony, Victoria University, Melbourne, AU:
The Bare Truth

Tamar Rapoport, Omri Grinberg, Afnan Masarwa, Hebrew University, Israel:
“Minor Movement” and “Spatial Literacy” -- Palestinian Women in *Um Tuba* decode the Power of Space

Robyn Longhurst, University of Waikato, New-Zealand:
A gendered Geography of Weight Loss: from the body to the globe

Edna Gorni, Haifa University and Emek Yezreel Academic College, Israel:
The Gender of Nature, the Geography of Woman- making the connections

Tovi Fenster, Tel-Aviv University, Israel:
Belly Dancing in Israel: Body, Religion and Nationality

13:30 – 15:00 – Lunch

15:00 – 16:30: **Spaces, Places and Institutions: how they include/exclude gender**

Chair: Elisabeth Buehler, University of Zurich

Mónica Carbó, Mireia Baylina, Maria Dolors Garcia Ramon, Autonomous University of Barcelona, Spain:

Swimming against the Stream: Business women of the rural South of Catalonia.

Keichi Kumagai, Ochanomizu University, Japan:
Floating Japanese Men, Masculinities and National Integrity

Ruth Fincher, University of Melbourne, Australia:
Institutional expectations and identity tensions for student immigrants

Hanaa Hamdan-Saliba, Tel-Aviv University, Israel:
Spaces of Belonging": Palestinian Women at the Margins of Tel Aviv-Jaffa

Orna Blumen and Bader Zinaty, University of Haifa, Israel:
Homecoming to Periphery: The entanglement of culture, location and work for highly educated Druze women

16:30-17:00 Coffee break

1700 – 18:00 – **Discussion group**

Chair: Janice Monk, University of Arizona

Evening – Reception Dinner

Friday, 9 July, 2010

9:00 – 10:45: **Locations of Diversity and Diversified Locations in a Global World**

Chair: Mireia Baylina, Autonomous University of Barcelona

Heidi Kasper, University of Zurich, Switzerland:
Doing Gender in Urban Public Green Spaces

Saraswati Raju, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India:
Liberation or Circumscription: Gendered Discourses and the Layered Trajectories: the Paradoxical Case of Kerala in India

Joos Droogleever Fortuijn and Frans Thissen, University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands:
The Changing Relationship between Paid Work and civic engagement of women in a rural area in the Netherlands between 1993 and 2007

Alisa C. Lewin, University of Haifa, Israel:

Shared Homes and Shared Hearts: Intimate Relationships Later in Life

Ruth Kark, Emir Galilee and Tamar Feuerstein, Hebrew University, Israel:

Independence and Entrepreneurship Among Rural and Bedouin Arab Muslim Women in Israel

10:45-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15 – 13:00 – **National, Citizenship, Ethnic, Religious, Class,**

Age, Gendered and Sexual Diversities

Chair: Joos Droogleever Fortuijn, University of Amsterdam

Lynda Johnston, University of Waikato, New-Zealand:

The Politics, Pleasures and Perils of Community Activism

Marcella Schmidt di Friedberg, Claudia Bruno, University of Milano – Bicocca, Italy:

Cyborg or Goddess? The Controversy on Gender and Nature in the “No Dal Molin”-Movement

Fiammetta Martegani, Rachele Borghi, Monica Camuffo, University of Milano – Bicocca and University of Venice, Italy:

Gendered Representation in Italian "Advertisinscape"

Rebecca Cariati-Abramson, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel:

The East/West Agency Landscape: Gendering National Borders Through the Palestinian Feminist Body

Chen Misgav, Tel-Aviv University, Israel:

The Night Club: the Sexualized Body, Identity and Space

13:00 – 14:00 – Lunch

14:00 -15:00 - **Discussion group**

Chair: Janice Monk, University of Arizona

15:00- 16:00 – **Gender Commission Meeting**

Chair: Robyn Longhurst, University of Waikato

16:00-17:00 - **Machsom Watch (Women against the Occupation and for Human Rights) – Movie and Discussion with the organization's representatives**

17:00 -18:30- **Tour in Ein-Karem**

19:00- Dinner

Saturday, 10 July, 2010

9:00 – 13:00 – Guided tour in the old city of Jerusalem

13:00 – Trip to Tel Aviv for the main conference venue