



Making Children?
20th century Value Changes
in Human Reproduction and Family Planning
Conference from April 14-16 2016 at the Zitadelle in Mainz

Thursday, April 14, 2016

- 2.00 p.m. Welcome coffee
- 2.30 p.m. Introduction: Theresia Theuke (Wiesbaden)
- 3.00 p.m. **Section I: Birth Rate Decline**
Moderator: Andreas Rödder (Mainz)
- Paper 1: Ann-Katrin Gembries (Nancy): *Pronatalistic discourses on birth control in France and Germany (1920-1976)*.
- Paper 2: Eszter Varsa (Budapest): *“Preparation for family life”:
Sex education and pronatalism in Cold War Hungary (1960-80)*.
- 4.30 p.m. Coffee break
- 5.00 p.m. **Section II: Sexuality and Reproduction**
Moderator: Bastian Knautz (Mainz)
- Paper 3: Fiammetta Balestracci (Rome): *The discovery of pleasure. Female sexuality and change of values in Italy (1960-1990)*.
- Paper 4: Anne-Sophie Crosetti (Brussels): *The division of Belgian catholicism facing the individualization of sexuality (1960-80)*.
- 8.00 p.m. Dinner in the old town wine restaurant „Bacchus“

Friday, April 15, 2016

- 8.45 a.m. Welcome coffee
- 9.00 a.m. **Section III: Family Planning in Democratic Regimes**
Moderator: Bernhard Dietz (Mainz)
- Paper 5: Simone Diender (Brandeis): *Balancing republican values of freedom and responsibility: American social scientists and family planning (1930-1945)*.
- Paper 6: Claudia Roesch (Münster): „*Children by Choice*“ – *Family decisions and value change in the campaigns of the American Planned Parenthood Federation (1942-1973)*.
- 10.30 a.m. Coffee break
- 11.00 a.m. Paper 7: Caroline Rusterholz (Cambridge): *From birth control to family planning, a change of values? Gendering the medical body from a transnational perspective. France, England (1930-1975)*.
- Paper 8: Robert Jütte (Stuttgart): *The “democratization” of birth control in the 20th century*.
- 12.30 p.m. Lunch
- 3.00 p.m. **Section IV: Family Planning in Authoritarian Regimes**
Moderator: Christopher Neumaier (Potsdam)
- Paper 9: Yulia Hilevych (Wageningen. Co-author: Chizu Sato): *Between the state and a reproductive body: Governmentality of birth control in the Soviet Union after World War Two (1955-1980)*.
- Paper 10: Rona Torenz (Berlin): *Abortion in the GDR. Caught between a liberal law, social disapproval and an individualization of family planning (1972-1990)*.
- 4.30 p.m. Coffee break
- 5.00 p.m. Paper 11: Radka Dudová (Prague): *Discourses on abortion and their impact on the institutions in Czechoslovakia/Czech Republic in the second half of the 20th century (1950-2003)*.
- Paper 12: Agata Ignaciuk (Granada): *The paradox of the pill: Oral contraceptives and birth control in Franco’s Spain and in state-socialist Poland (1960s-1970s)*.
- 7.30 p.m. Reception

Saturday, April 16, 2016

8.45 a.m. Welcome coffee

9.00 a.m. **Section V: Involuntary Childlessness**

Moderator: Valérie Dubslaff (Paris)

Paper 13: Christina Benninghaus (Gießen): „Zum Ziele führt der Wille...“ – *Infertility and modernity (1900-1935)*.

Paper 14: Fabrice Cahen (Paris): *Sperm donation in France since 1950: Biomedical practices, social norms and moral values*.

Paper 15: Elisabeth Beck-Gernsheim (Munich): *The brave new world of reproduction*.

11.30 a.m. Coffee break

12.00 a.m. **Conclusion**

Isabel Heinemann (Münster): *Did values change in reproductive decision making? Comparative reflections, comment and research perspectives*.

General discussion

Moderator: Isabel Heinemann (Münster)

1.00 p.m. End of conference

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