

Keynote

The Gender of Informality: Intimate Labors in Transnational Perspective

Eileen Boris, UC Santa Barbara

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Room S 201, UniS, Schanzeneckstrasse 1, 3012 Bern

17:45 Reception

18:15 Keynote by Eileen Boris



In her keynote, Eileen Boris, Hull Professor of Feminist Studies at UC Santa Barbara, explores intimate labors (domestic, care, and sex work in both their commodified and unpaid forms) as informal labors during the century of labor standardization, 1870-1970, when such labor often went unrecognized as work or stood outside of formalization through union organizing and legal codification of the employer-employee relation. Intimate labor, she suggests, belongs to a transnational story with the circulation of people and ideas.

Convenors:

Sibylle Marti (Bern), Christof Dejung (Bern), Susan Carin Zimmermann (Vienna)

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