
The Peace Institute organizes an international symposium

MEN, EQUALITY, CARE PRACTICES

on 5th September 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

in Museum of Contemporary Art Metelkova, Maistrova 3, Ljubljana

Though the low level of men's care giving has appeared to be remarkably resistant to a wide range of demographic, political and economic changes and has remained the central source of patriarchal dividends, European research evidence provides some insights on the increase in participation of men in private and professional care. Men's equal share of care challenges traditional gender ideologies and opens up a space for rethinking concepts of masculinity and femininity as well as relations between public and private, politics and intimacy, and production and reproduction, as set-up in capitalism. There is a lot of complexity in men's caring involvement, nevertheless, it might represent an alternative to the hegemonic masculinity and populist re-traditionalization of gender regime, and it might have transformative potentials for not only the overcoming of care deficit in the ageing societies, but also for more (gender) equal and caring society.

These issues will be debated at the international symposium **MEN, EQUALITY, CARE PRACTICES** within the following **program**:

9:00–9:15 Opening. Majda Hrženjak, Peace Institute, Slovenia

9:15–10:45 First session: Being a Primary Carer in the Family.

Moderated by Daniel Holtermann, Dissens, Berlin

Men's Experiences of Gender (In)equality as a Single Parent. Živa Humer, Peace Institute, Ljubljana

Challenges for Men in Informal Care for People with Dementia. Mojca Frelih, Peace Institute, Ljubljana

The Archetype of Maternal Love, Fatherhood and Masculinity. Iztok Šori, Peace Institute, Ljubljana

10:45–11:15 Coffee Break

11:15–12:45 Second session: Complexity of Factors Which Attract Men in Professional Care Work.



Moderated by Elli Scambor, Institute for Masculinity Research and Gender Studies, Graz

The Impact of Gender and Skin-Color in the Everyday Life of Nursing Home: the Impact of Organizational Conditions. Palle Storm, Stockholm University - Department of Social Work

The Interplay of Structural and Identity Factors in Men's Professional Care. Majda Hrženjak, Peace Institute, Ljubljana

Why Do or Do Not Boys Choose a Social, Educational or Nursing Occupation? Daniel Holtermann, Dissens, Berlin

12:45–14:00 Lunch break

14:00–16:00 Third session: Contesting Transformation Potentials of Caring Masculinities

Moderated by Iztok Šori, Peace Institute, Ljubljana

Millennial Men, Gender Equality and Care: The Dawn of a Revolution? Elisabetta Ruspini, University of Milano-Bicocca

Caring Man and Masculinities at the Balkan Semi Periphery: Transformation through Hybridizations and Contradictions. Marina Hughson Blagojević, Institute for Criminological and Sociological Research, Belgrade

Embracing a Caring Identity Within Capitalist Division of Labour. Branko Bembič, University of Ljubljana – Faculty of Social Sciences

Freedom of Choice? Barriers and Supportive Conditions for Caring Masculinities. Elli Scambor and Marc Gärtner, Institute for Masculinity Research and Gender Studies, Graz

16:00–16:30 Coffee Break

16:30–17:30 Keynote speech:

Moderated by Majda Hrženjak, Peace Institute, Ljubljana

Caring Masculinities and Affective Equality: the Role of Caring in Gender Justice and Transforming Masculinities. Niall Hanlon, School of Languages, Law, and Social Sciences at the Technological University of Dublin; School of Social Work, Social Policy and Social Justice at University College Dublin



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