INTERSECTIONALITY STUDIES OPENING

15.00 Opening & Introduction

with Prof. Dr., Susan Arndt & Prof. Dr. Anette Henninger, PKIS

Greetings by

Dr. Patrick Tschirner, Hans Böckler Stiftung

Prof. Dr. Nina Nestler, Vice President for Internationalization, Equal Opportunities and Diversity, UBT Prof. Dr. Rüdiger Seesemann, Dean, Cluster of Excellence "Africa Multiple", UBT

Contributions from

Prof. Dr. Shankar Raman, MIT and members of the doctoral college of Intersectionality Studies, PKIS

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Miriam Bauch, Equal Opportunities Service Center & GeQuInDi Kibouni Koné, President of Model African Union (MAU), UBT Prof. Dr. Paula Schrode (BayKULT, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, UBT

> Intersectionality as an Intervention: Tarek Shukrallah & Louisa Kamrath, PKIS

> 16.30 Reception with Food and Snacks

17.30 Interactive Intersectionality

18.30 Dinner

19.15 Keynote*

Peggy Piesche: "Intersectional Knowledge as Interventional Turn"
Welcome with Prof. Dr. Maisha-Maureen Auma (tbc)

20.45 Spoken Word Performance and Music with Blesz

moderated by **Nihan Duran & Asya Pekyiğit**, PKIS



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Throughout history, people have built social orders by installing power constellations that have had the sole purpose of granting privileges to some and subordinating the many. Access to power grants a privileged access to resources, rights, and to being represented as norm/al. This process also always excludes those who are Othered by the norm from such privileges. This is the motor of social inequality including exploitation, discrimination and violence.

Interventions, though, often had a tendency to concentrate on, for example, either racism or sexism only, while reproducing power-coded modes of in- or exclusion. This has led to a silencing of especially Black women and their agencies and was addressed by Black feminism. The corresponding intervention was conceptualized as 'intersectionality' by the Black US-American lawyer and activist Kimberlé Crenshaw from 1989 onwards, and developed by others as well. Ever since then, intersectionality has been used as a prism, a concept, a theory and a mode of transdisciplinary interventions across academic disciplines and in neat intersections of academia and social movements.

The Bayreuth based Doctoral College for Intersectionality Studies PKIS, as funded since 01. December 2022 by the Hans-Böckler-Foundation, aims at building on and strengthening this (trans)disciplinary structure. As the first doctoral college of its kind in Europe, it focusses on analyzing, communicating about and intervening into intersectional social inequalities.

On 13 February 2023 it will launch its work in the course of a public opening workshop in the presence of representatives of academia, activism and the arts.

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