

## CALL FOR PAPERS

Graduate Conference

### *Rethinking Gender in Historical Research*

Drosendorf (Niederösterreich), July 17-20, 2016

**Deadline for submission:** March 30, 2016

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The Department of History, the Gender Studies Group and the Doctoral Academy in Theory and Methods at the University of Vienna will convene a Graduate Conference on **Rethinking Gender** in collaboration with the International Doctoral Network in *Women's and Gender History* and with the *Gender History Research Center* at the University of Naples *l'Orientale*,

The conference will be held from **July 17-20, 2016** in the castle of Drosendorf, located in a scenic Austrian town close to Vienna. The aim of the conference is to bring together graduate students of history who use gender theories as an important tool of their historical investigations.

The category of gender is no longer confined to women's and gender studies, but has started to influence research and writing in a broad variety of fields: from international relations to environmental questions, from body politics to the governance of technology. Depending on the theoretical framework and the field of research, gender as an analytical category is used in very different ways, conceived as performative, as relational, or as intersectional, and, increasingly, as non-binary.

In this workshop we would like to explore the analytical potential of *gender* in historical research projects which are not mainly concerned with gender theory. We therefore especially invite applications from graduate students who use the concept of *gender* in one way or another to explore the history of power and institutions, economy and property transfer, family and social networks, communication and globalization, science, technology and knowledge. We expect you to discuss your research questions only briefly but focus on the impact, your dialogue with gender theory has on the development of your research design and your writing.

**The language** of the conference will be English.

**Keynote speakers** will be announced.

Each paper will be given one hour for presentation and discussion. The time for the presentation is limited to 20 minutes. The discussion will start with a substantial comment by a senior scholar and then open up to the entire group.

Food and housing will be provided by the organizing institutions. Unfortunately, we will not be able to cover travel expenses.

Please submit proposals (500 words max) and CV (150 words max) in English by March 30, 2016 to the following e-mail address: birgit.aubrunner@univie.ac.at

Acceptance notices will be sent by April 24, 2016. Accepted papers must be sent in by June 30, 2015.