Blurring Boundaries: Rethinking Gender and Care

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PROGRAM
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Wednesday, March 13, 2019

17:00 -17.15
Welcome
Susanne Kinnebrock, University of Augsburg
Werner Schneider, Vice President, University of Augsburg

17:15-19:00
Public Keynote, Room: Augustana - Saal im Annahof

Zerstörung des Sozialen – Care Revolution als Antwort
Gabriele Winker, TU Hamburg

*The public keynote is co-sponsored by the Center of Interdisciplinary Health Research of the University of Augsburg.*

*Abstract:* Many people are exhausted by trying to care adequately for themselves and for other persons in addition to their professional workload. This is often regarded as an individual failure. In reality, however, it is the result of political and economic decisions. Consequently, successful relations of care are made more difficult and the societal preconditions for acts of solidarity are impeded. On this basis, I plead for a fundamental change of perspectives. Care Revolution centres on human needs and, especially, the care for each other instead of the maximization of profits and the reduction of costs.

Reception

Thursday, March 14, 2019

08:00-09:00
Registration

09:00-10:00
Keynote, Room: H1010

*Why are Caring Societies so elusive? Reconciling answers from political economy and moral psychology*
Fiona Robinson, Carleton University, Canada
Chair: Paula-Irene Villa

*Abstract:* For many decades, feminist ethicists and political theorists have been developing a rich body of knowledge on the ‘ethics of care’ as an alternative to the dominant, rationalist and masculinist approaches to morality and politics. Building on this theoretical foundation, feminist scholars in social policy, economics, geography and social work have sought to
develop strategies for the development of more caring societies. And yet, despite these efforts, caring societies remain elusive. This paper will address two prominent explanations for the so-called ‘crisis of care’: the critique of (neoliberal, financialized) capitalism by Nancy Fraser; and the moral-psychological critique of patriarchy by Carol Gilligan. I will argue that, despite the apparent distance between the material/structural and psychological/agential approaches, they can be reconciled by approaching the problem through a robust understanding of power. I will employ the concept of governmentality to elucidate the relationship between these approaches, as well as gesturing towards the possibilities for resistance and realization of more caring societies in the face of both neoliberalism and the rise of right-wing populism.

10:00-10:30
Coffeebreak

10:30-12:15
Panel 1: Transforming care systems, Room: H1010
Chair: Barbara Thiesen (University of Applied Sciences Landshut)
Transformations in Western and Eastern European long-term care systems – Transnational service provision and social inequalities
Karin Gottschall (University of Bremen)

Care & Careers: Housework distribution and occupational success
Claire Samtleben, Kai-Uwe Müller (DIW Berlin)

Rethinking 24-h-care in Austria: A home care society under construction?
Brigitte Aulenbacher, Michael Leiblfinger, Veronika Prieler (Johannes Kepler University Linz)

Welfare state as factor of exclusion and marginalization of single fathers in Slovenia
Iztok Šori (Peace Institute, Ljubljana)

Panel 2: Care and ethics, Room: H1012
Chair: Paula-Irene Villa (LMU Munich)
Care: Burden, duty and fulfilment. Perceptions of caregiving among young adults in Germany
Maik Krüger, Paula-Irene Villa (LMU Munich)

Caring masculinities between forced choice and ethic of care
Majda Hrženjak (Peace Institute, Ljubljana)

Resonance - more than a metaphor. Considering apories of ‘negativity’ and ‘unavailability’ in contexts of care
Viola Straubенmüller (Munich)

Notes on Deconstructing Ethics
Tatjana Schönwälder-Kuntze (LMU Munich)
12:15-13:15
Lunchbreak

13:15-14:45
Panel 3: Care between discourse and everyday practice, Room: H1010
Chair: Birgit Erbe (Womens’ Academy Munich)
(Not) Reproducing powerful gender stereotypes in couples and negotiations about everyday care practices
Anna Buschmeyer, Janine Bernhardt (DJI Munich)

A Leader like Me, Whose Care I can See: Effects of leaders’ caregiving and similarity on employee well-being
Jamie L. Gloor (TU Munich & University of Zurich), Anna Brzyky (University of St. Gallen), Claudia Peus (TU Munich)

Fathering in the Blur – Care Practices and Ideals of Fatherhood
Luisa Streckenbach (DJI Munich), Kathrin Peltz (Landshut University of Applied Sciences)

Panel 4: Care and temporality, Room: H1012
Chair: Sylvia Schraut (Bundeswehr University Munich)
Care – a helpful argument for women's political participation? Historical insight from the German feminist movement and its media discourse Mirjam Höfner (Bundeswehr University, Munich), Andre Dechert (University of Augsburg)

“Geistige Mütterlichkeit“ reloaded - Temporalities and politics of care in the context of migration and flight (“Welcome Culture“)
Katherine Braun (University of Osnabrück)

The gender-specific representation of care, care work, and STEM professions in textbook knowledge using the example of Bavarian textbooks
Bernhard Frühwirth, Michael Heilemann, Sigrun Schirner and Heidrun Stöger (University of Regensburg)

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15:15-16:00
Poster Session
16:00-17:30

Panel 5: Professional care work between professionalization, precarity, and voluntary work, Room: H1010

Chair: Susanne Kinnebrock (University of Augsburg)

Homes for the elderly – a female place?
Marie-Kristin Döbler (University of Erlangen)

Notions of care in palliative care: SOPC in Germany
Sabine H. Krauss (University of Augsburg)

„We need to allure men for elder care, who get things done, can think pragmatically, and who are empathetic!” – Constructions of masculinity in the field of professional elder care
Simon Bohn (Friedrich Schiller University Jena)

Panel 6: Struggling for care, Room: H1012

Chair: Andre Dechert (University of Augsburg)

Beyond the binary. Rethinking gender(ed) care considering trans patients’ needs
Ann Kristin Augst (University of Augsburg)

“They do not participate in politics, but they demand their rights.” Political Articulation and Organization of Migrant Domestic Care Workers between Public Discourse, Social Work and Trade Union Support
Christian Bomert (WWU Münster)

"Collective action and representation of interests in care professions: Prerequisites, obstacles and perspectives“
Clarissa Rudolph, Katja Schmidt (Eastern Bavarian Technical University Regensburg)

All afternoon: We do care – The Grand Beauty Salon at the Blurring Boundaries Conference

>Grand Beauty Salon / on Tour« is an intercultural beauty salon where care experts with and without migration biography perform together. Based on beauty, care, and wellness practices we give insight in the practioners side of the work and facilitate exchange beyond common concepts of service work.
The more you open up in our salon, share what moves you and what you are in need for, the more you can create memories that last longer than the single experience. More info https://www.grandbeautyontour.org (German only)
Friday, March 15, 2019

09:00-10:30
**Panel 7: Private care arrangements between family care and new caring communities I, Room H1010**

*Chair: Manuel Menke (LMU Munich)*

Intergenerational conflicts in dealing with professional care among Turkish immigrants
Marc Breuer, Christoph Frohn (Catholic University of Applied Sciences North Rhine, Westphalia Paderborn)

Relationships matter - Private care arrangements between relationships and gender roles
Sabrina Schmitt (Women’s Academy Munich), Katrin Roller (University of Applied Sciences Munich)

Balancing stability of home-based care arrangements for people living with dementia - A conceptual model at the intersection of medicine, psychology and social science
Jan Dreyer, Kerstin Köhler, Iris Hochgraeber, Bernhard Holle (Witten/Herdecke University)

Communicative care from a distance: The expansion of traditional care net works through social media
Anna Wagner (University of Augsburg)

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11:00-12:30
**Panel 8: Private care arrangements between family care and new caring communities II, Room: H1010**

*Chair: Anna Wagner (University of Augsburg)*

„It’s god - awful, but you have to deal with it.”: Insights from the situation of older informal caregivers
Anne Münch (LMU Munich)

“Useless, needy, and undeserving”. Gendered constructions of need, proper care and men’s invisibility in care networks within the context of female labour migration from Western Ukraine
Ilona Grabmaier (University of Vienna)

Care-Arrangements and ambivalences in case of geographical distance
Anna Köster-Eiserfunke (TU Hamburg)
12:30-13:30
Lunchbreak

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Panel 9: Care beyond humanity, Room: H1010
Chair: Susanne Schmitt (LMU Munich)
- Personalized human-robot interaction for elderly care
  Hannes Ritschel (University of Augsburg)
- Rethinking TechCare – Concepts of experts and elderly of care by technologies and humans
  Tamar Beruchashvili, Elisabeth Wiesnet, Yves Jeanrenaud (TU Munich)

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Final Keynote, Room: H1010  CANCELLED!
The future of care work – some thoughts from a macroeconomic point of view
Mascha Madörin, Switzerland
Chair: Barbara Thiessen (University of Applied Sciences Landshut)

Abstract: After having increased labour productivity for decades, it is still possible in this day and age to manufacture cars even faster. However, when it comes to work like cleaning a house, getting a hair cut, nursing, talking, driving and raising children etc. the limits of speeding up become well apparent. This is clear to everyone, but in economics or economic policy programs, whatever theoretical tradition, this reality is not or rarely even considered. What should be considered if we want to include social provisioning as part of the current economic dynamic?

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