



The section "Sociology of Gender" in the Department of Sociology at the University of Graz invites to the media presentation of the project

Developing Women's and Gender Studies in Gaza/Palestine

This is the first gender studies programme established in Gaza.

When: 20th October 2020, 11:00 - 12:00

Where: Presseclub Concordia, Bankgasse 8, 1010 Wien

Registration is mandatory: **Registration**

Registration deadline: 19th October 2020; Maximum capacity: 30 participants.

The current governmental COVID-19 provisions will be followed (access only to registered invitees, wearing a mask except when seated, keeping interpersonal distance).

Speakers:

Libora Oates-Indruchová, professor for Sociology of Gender, University of Graz, project director at University of Graz, will explain the objectives of the project **Strengthening Higher Education Capacities in Palestine for Gender Equality (SHE-GE)**, an academic partnership implemented by the Islamic University of Gaza (IUG) and the Department of Sociology at the University of Graz.

Sanaa Aboudagga, professor at Islamic University of Gaza, director of the gender studies project will address via video link from Gaza **the importance of the project** as well as **coping strategies** of Gazan women, who live under adverse circumstances (three wars since 2008, siege, poverty, limited mobility, health crisis, Covid-19 restrictions).

Format: Presentations, followed by Q&A

Language: English, no translation

Further information: www.appear.at/she-ge

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Sanaa Aboudagga is Professor of Education at the Islamic University of Gaza (IUG) since 1999. She got her M.A. & PhD from Iowa State University in the USA. She held several senior positions at IUG and is now the director of the academic partnership project titled "Strengthening Higher Education Capacities in Palestine for Gender Equality" (SHE-GE), which is implemented by IUG with Graz University. The project is funded by the Austrian Development Agency (ADA) under the Austrian Partnership Programme for Higher Education and Research (APPEAR). The research of Prof. Aboudagga covers evaluation, community development, women's issues and quality in education and is published in refereed journals.



Libora Oates-Indruchová is Professor of Sociology of Gender at the Department of Sociology, University of Graz. Her research interests cover cultural representations of gender, gender and social change, censorship, and narrative research. She participated in the institutionalization of Gender Studies in the Czech Republic, where she also worked in an educational NGO specialising in gender issues in the 1990s. She began the cooperation with the Islamic University Gaza in 2016 and has been directing the Austrian part of the SHE_GE project for the past three years.