

**This workshop** will focus on the manifestations of gender-related violence, which include both direct and indirect forms of violence. Different forms of gender-related violence include rape, sexual assault, violence against female children, domestic violence, humiliation, economic deprivation or limited access to education and employment. Gender-related violence reflects power inequalities between women and men and serves to maintain structural gender inequalities. Inequalities are intersectional: they are the result of an interplay between multiple power structures that produce and reproduce hierarchical distinctions regarding race, age, social class, religion, and gender.

To adequately address the different manifestations of gender-related violence, we will have to investigate cultural, political and economic issues that encourage violence. A cross-cultural approach will consider gender norms against the backdrop of different cultures, lifestyles and social conditions and it will critically examine structures, mechanisms and causes of, but also discourses on gender-related violence.

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## Venue

### Akademie Frankenwarte

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### ICAS:MP Thematic Module 5

Performing Gender – Negotiating Space in Civil Society

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International Workshop

## Gender Relations Revisited

Cross-Cultural Approaches  
to Violence and Agency  
in India and Germany

8 - 9 June 2017

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## Programme

### Sexual Violence: Cross-cultural Approaches Thursday 8 June 2017

- 14.00 **Welcome**
- 14.15 **Keynote**  
**Postcolonial Governmentality and the  
Politics of Rape: Gendered Vulnerability,  
Sexual Violence and the State**  
*Nikita Dhawan, Department of Political  
Science, University of Innsbruck*
- 15.15 **Rape Revisited**  
*Mithu M. Sanyal, Cultural Scientist,  
Journalist and Writer, Düsseldorf*
- 16.00 **Coffee Break**
- 16.30 **The Cologne Incident: Sexual Abuses  
on New Year's Eve 2015/16**  
*Parvis Ghassem-Fachandi, Department  
of Anthropology, Rutgers University*

- 17.15 **Staging Gender in the “Disrobing of  
Draupadi”: Young Women Performers  
in an All-male Theatre Tradition**  
*Hanne de Bruin, International Research  
Center “Interweaving Performance  
Cultures”, Free University of Berlin*
- 18.00 **Concluding Remarks**  
*Janaki Nair, Centre for Historical Studies,  
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi*

### Gender Violence and Empowerment Friday 9 June 2017

- 09.15 **Keynote**  
**Insight and Blindness: Sexual Violence  
and Feminism in Contemporary India**  
*Mary E. John, Centre for Women’s  
Development Studies, New Delhi*
- 10.15 **Child Marriage: Addressing (Mal-)  
Governance and Gender in India**  
*Elvira Graner, Max Weber Foundation,  
Bonn; Samita Sen, School of Women’s  
Studies, Jadavpur University, Kolkata*

- 11.15 **Coffee Break**
- 11.45 **Access to Finance and Women’s  
Empowerment: What Does the  
Evidence Show?**  
*M. Suresh Babu, Department of  
Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian  
Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai*
- 12.30 **Gender-related Violence and  
Pathways to Protest**  
*Janna Vogl, Max Weber Center for  
Advanced Cultural and Social Studies,  
Erfurt University*
- 13.15 **Lunch Break**
- 14.15 **Resistance and Plea in  
Transgender Autobiographies**  
*M.D. Muthukumaraswamy, National  
Folklore Support Centre, Chennai*
- 15.00 **Round Table**  
**Gender Violence and Agency**  
*Statements by Janaki Nair and  
Mary E. John, followed by  
open discussion*
- 16.15 **Coffee & Concluding Session**