

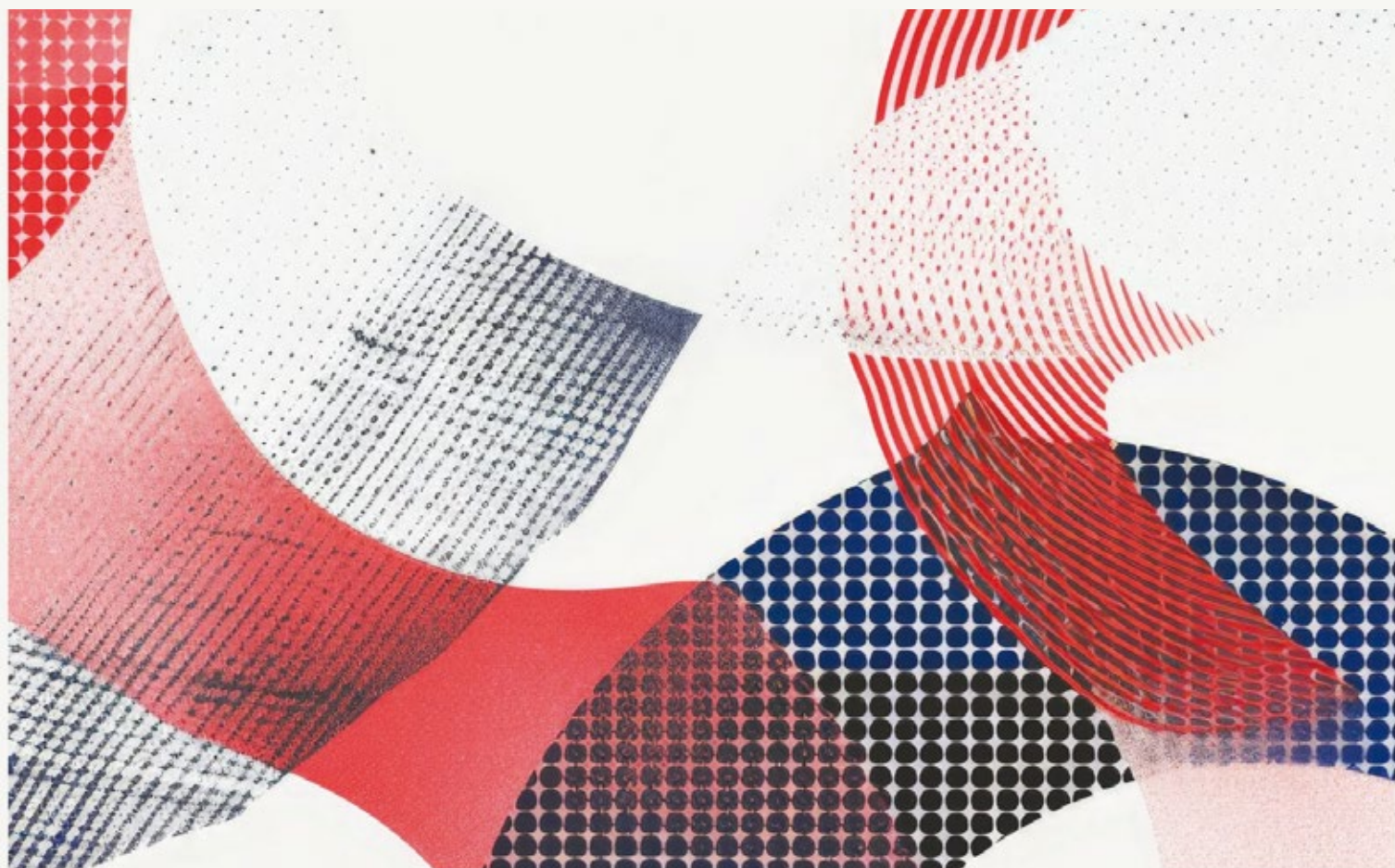
INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

GENDER EQUALITY IN THE POST-YUGOSLAV SPACE:

Challenges, Policies, and Perspectives

MAY 21–22, 2026

Great Hall of the Institute of Social Sciences
Kraljice Natalije 45, Belgrade



9:00–9:30 Registration of the Participants

9:30–9:45 **OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE**

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- **Goran BAŠIĆ**, Director of the Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade
- **Lilijana ČIČKARIĆ**, Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade
- **Ankica ŠOBOT**, Head of the Centre for Demographic Research, Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade

9:45–10:10 **KEYNOTE** **KEYNOTE LECTURE**

- **Sonja TOMOVIĆ ŠUNDIĆ** – Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Montenegro, Montenegro
Anthropology of Gender

10:10–10:35 **KEYNOTE** **KEYNOTE LECTURE**

- **Nevena PETRUŠIĆ** – Faculty of Law (retired professor), University of Niš, Serbia
Gender Equality in the Post-Yugoslav Space: Policies, Practices and Resistance

10:35–11:00 **KEYNOTE** **KEYNOTE LECTURE**

- **Nada SEKULIĆ** – Faculty of Philosophy, University of Belgrade, Serbia
Gender Equality Policies in Serbia in the Context of Increasing Social Inequalities

11:00–11:25 *Coffee Break ☕*

11:25–12:55

PANEL SESSION: GENDER EQUALITY: INTERPRETATIONS AND KNOWLEDGE FRAMEWORK

Moderator: Milena KARAPETROVIĆ

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- **Ana MASKALAN** – Institute for Social Research, Zagreb, Croatia
From Supranation to Fragmentation: Gender Equality in the Post-Yugoslav Space
- **Stefan VASEV** – Faculty of Philosophy, “Ss. Cyril and Methodius” University in Skopje, Republic of North Macedonia
Socio-cultural Transformation and Dynamics of the Macedonian Women's Movement: From Historical Context to Contemporary Challenges
- **Adriana ZAHARIJEVIĆ** – Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade, Serbia
Gender in the (Post-)Yugoslav Space: The Example of Serbia
- **Ankica ŠOBOT** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia
Epistemological Framework of Demography: Gender Equality as a Foundation for Understanding Contemporary Population Phenomena and Its Policy Implications
- **Lara KONČAR** – Independent researcher, Serbia
Unpaid Housework: Between Theoretical Conceptualizations and the Institutional Framework in Contemporary Serbia
- **Ivana JAKŠIĆ** – Faculty of Political Science, University of Belgrade, Serbia
Gender Relations in Post-Yugoslav Countries: Shared Beliefs, Divergent Experiences

12:55–13:40

Discussion

13:40–14:30

Lunch Break 🍴

14:30–16:00

PANEL SESSION: LEGAL AND INSTITUTIONAL CONTEXTS FOR GENDER EQUALITY

Moderator: Nevena PETRUŠIĆ

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- **Antonija PETRIČUŠIĆ & Olja DRUŽIĆ LJUBOTINA** – University of Zagreb, Faculty of Law, Croatia
Analysis of Croatian Gender Equality Policy Implementation: Between Strong Norms and Weak Institutions
- **Zlatiborka POPOV-MOMČINOVIĆ & Danijela LAKIĆ** – Faculty of Philosophy, University of East Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
From Legal Reform to Political Practice: Gender Dynamics in Republika Srpska's Parliament
- **Anđelija STEVANOVIĆ** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia
Gender Equality in Armed Conflict: The Legacy of the Conflicts in the Former Yugoslavia in the Development of International Criminal Law
- **Sofija NIKOLIĆ POPADIĆ** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia
Gender Equality and Work–Life Balance for Parents in Serbia: Legal and – Institutional Challenges
- **Sanja ZLATANOVIĆ** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia
Gender Equality in Labour Law: Menstrual Leave and the Challenge of Symmetrical Protection
- **Zorica MRŠEVIĆ** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia
Memory as an Emancipatory Alternative Tradition

16:00–16:45

Discussion

16:45–17:05

Coffee Break ☕

DAY 1 • PANEL III

Thursday, 21 May 2026

Economic Aspects (Part I)

17:05–17:50

PANEL SESSION: ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF GENDER EQUALITY (PART I)

Moderator: Ana MASKALAN

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- **Vladimir MENTUS** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia
Gender Gap in Experienced Workplace Discrimination: Nationally Representative Evidence from Serbia
- **Sara STANIĆ JOVANOVIĆ** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia & **Dobriša LUKIĆ** – Institute of Geography "Jovan Cvijić" SANU, Serbia
The Role of Rural Tourism in the Economic Empowerment of Women
- **Gordana JAUKOVIĆ NENEZIĆ** – National Bank of Serbia
Women in Banking: Beginnings, Continuity and Change. A Case Study of the National Bank of the Kingdom of SHS/Yugoslavia

17:50–18:20

Discussion • End of Day 1

DAY 2 • PANEL IV

Friday, 22 May 2026

Gender Equality and Policies (Part I)

10:00–12:00

PANEL SESSION: GENDER EQUALITY AND POLICIES (PART I)

Moderators: Jovana ZAFIROVIĆ & Jelena RIZNIĆ

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10:00 – 10:25

KEYNOTE LECTURE (in English)

Milica ANTIĆ GABER – Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

Gender Equality in Politics between Institutional Progress, Prospects and Actual Possibilities of Realization in Post-Yugoslav Societies

10:25 – 11:25

(presentation in English)

● **Dijana VUKOMANOVIĆ** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia

Re-conceptualizing Gender Equality as a Core Democratic Resilience Process

● **Džana HODŽIĆ** – PhD candidate at the University of Graz, Austria

From Digital Risk to Resistance? ICTs, AI, and Women's Political Participation in Serbia

● **Charles O. WARNER III** – Faculty of Social Sciences, KU Leuven, Belgium

Second Place in Croatia or Invisible in the U.S.? Women Veterans and the Talk of Two Post-Service Narratives

● **Sanja CUKUT KRILIĆ** – Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts, ZRC SAZU,

Ljubljana, Slovenia & **Jelena PREDOJEVIĆ DESPIĆ** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia

Survival and Marginalization: The Impact of Unregistered Work in Conditions of Apparent Temporality on Migrant Women and Their Families after the Disintegration of the Former Yugoslavia

11:25–12:00

Discussion (in English)

12:00–12:25

Coffee Break ☕

12:25–13:40

PANEL SESSION: GENDER EQUALITY AND POLICIES (PART II)

Moderators: Jovana ZAFIROVIĆ, Jelena RIZNIĆ

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- **Milena KARAPETROVIĆ** – Faculty of Philosophy, University of Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina
Gender Equality, Public Policies, and Higher Education in Bosnia and Herzegovina – Between Formal Reforms and Social Resistance
- **Sabira GADŽO-ŠAŠIĆ** – Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
Equality of Women with Disabilities in Bosnia and Herzegovina – Opportunities and Limitations
- **Ivana MAGDALENIĆ** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia
Gender Equality in Serbia's Population Policy – Challenges and Future Directions
- **Ksenija MARKOVIĆ** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia
From Commitment to Policy: Gender Equality in Political Party Programs in Serbia
- **Svetlana JANKOVIĆ** – Centre for the Promotion of Dialogue and Tolerance, Belgrade, Serbia
Gender, Disinformation, and Security: New Challenges for Gender Equality Policies in the Post-Yugoslav Space

13:40–14:25

Discussion

14:25–15:15

Lunch Break 🍴

15:15–16:00

PANEL SESSION: ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF GENDER EQUALITY (PART II)

Moderator: Ana MASKALAN

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- **Katarina MAŠIĆ ĐONLIĆ, Ivana MIHIĆ, Marija VOLAROV, Jelena KARAPANDŽIĆ & Jelena MATANOVIĆ** – Faculty of Philosophy, University of Novi Sad, Serbia
Fatherhood: Perceived Support for Childcare from Fathers' Workplace Environment
- **Njegoš VUJADINOVIĆ & Nevena NOVAKOVIĆ** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia
Precarity as a Generator of Retraditionalization: The Economic Conditioning of Gender Stereotypes and the Role of Religious Institutions and Global Internet Trends in Shaping Gender Roles and Conceptions of Masculinity in Serbia
- **Vasko KELIĆ** – Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade, Serbia
The Mutual Relationship Between Gender Equality and Economic Development: An Analysis of the Case of Serbia

16:00–16:30

Discussion

16:30–17:00

Coffee Break ☕

17:00–17:15

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