Message from the Chair

I write this message from a country that is in deep mourning in the aftermath of a white supremacist man’s hatred and violence that killed 50 Muslims and injured another 50 at the Masjid Al Noor and Linwood mosques in Christchurch, Aotearoa New Zealand. As religious and racist motivated violence and hate crimes continue to occur around the world – Negombo in Sri Lanka, San Diego in the US – it is clear that gender and place matters. These events are not just about religious and / or ethnic violence, rather, they are also about gendered violence. Nearly all debates circulating about this violence - in media and by politicians - cast it as a problem existing within, and / or because of, ethnic or religious groups. As feminist geographers we have a vital role to play in analysing and interpreting the gendered nature, identities and stereotypes of hate crimes. Many of us are directly engaged in research and teaching to understand the diversity and intersections of race, ethnicity, faith, gender, power and the different spatial activity, behaviour and experiences of place.

Over the next few months our commission is sponsoring three events where critical discussions about gender and place will occur. The first of these is the Feminist Explorations of Urban Futures International Conference in York University, Toronto, Canada, 26 – 28 September. The purpose of the conference is to advance feminist thinking on urban research across the global south. Key themes are: social reproduction / production / financialization; everyday life, housing and habitus; mobility, migration, debt and networks; infrastructure; violence; grassroots, mobilization and advocacy; and, global urban policy frameworks and local contexts. Details about the conference can be found here: https://genurb.apps01.yorku.ca/conference2019/

The 7th International conference on Gender Studies will be held in Famagusta, North Cyprus, by the Center for Women’s Studies of the Eastern Mediterranean University. The conference theme is ‘Space, Place and Culture’. The conference website is: https: //gspe.emu.edu.tr/en and the deadline for abstracts is 20 May 2019.

The third event that will take place over the next few months is the IV Latin American Seminar on Geography, Gender and Sexualities, in the Buenos Aires Center University, Tandil – Argentina, 13 – 15th November. This highly successful seminar series continues to build feminist and queer geographical research capacity across Latin America. For more information, please contact Diana Lan (dlan@fch.unicen.edu.ar) and visit their webpage: https://geografiadegenero.wixsite.com/geografiadegenero

To keep up to date with events, please visit our website https://igugender.wixsite.com/igugender.

Lastly, on behalf of the commission, I would like to thank Dr Caroline Faria (University of Texas at Austin) who volunteered to move nearly 900 commission member emails into a new e-list. The email igugender@list.arizona.edu will soon be replaced by
igugender@gmail.com. As new people join our commission, via the website - https://igugender.wixsite.com/igugender/join-us - they will automatically be added to the new e-list. Thank you Caroline!

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**News from around the world**


Abel Albet, Maria Dolors Garcia-Ramon and Rosa Cerarols introduced this book at this conference and Joos Droogleever Fortuijn presented a paper on Women geographers and the IGU.
Maria Rodó-de-Zárate is awarded the “Ramon Molinas Award for the best social impact project” for the project “e-Relief Maps: a digital tool for research on social inequalities”. #SpinUOC. 2018

Heidi Kaspar initiated a new project on Caring Communities – CareComLabs funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation and part of the National Research Programme Nr. 74 – Smarter Health Care: see http://www.nfp74.ch/en/projects/healthcare-at-home/project-kaspar

Maria Angela Caretta organized an exhibit on women and water with local NGOs: see https://www.wvpublic.org/post/wvu-art-exhibit-celebrates-water-and-women-who-protect-it

Gina Porter is leading a new inter-disciplinary ESRC GCRF Education and skills research project: “Youth engagement and skills acquisition within Africa’s transport sector; promoting a gender agenda towards transition into meaningful work” Dec 2018 – Mar 2021. The field component of the research is taking place in three African city-region contexts: Tunis, Abuja and Cape Town. It includes researchers from Tunis, the University of Cape Town and the Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Nigeria.

For the first time in history of Latin American Geographers Meetings, a Round Table titled “Feminist Geographies” took place in Quito, Ecuador, in April 2019. From the right to left: Diana Lan (Argentina), Joseli Maria Silva (Brazil), Astrid Ulloa (Colombia), Sofia Saragocin (Ecuador) and Verónica Ibarra (Mexico).

Margarida Queiros is leading GEARINGROLES – a project funded by the European Commission, Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation Program under the Grant Agreement n°824536 (launched in January 16, 2019). GEARING-Roles is a multidisciplinary consortium of 10 European academic and non-academic partners that are designing, implementing, and evaluating 6 Gender Equality Plans (GEPs) with the objective of challenging and
transforming gender roles and identities linked to professional careers, and work towards real institutional change.


Collective Aleph is an intergenerational collective that investigates the different approaches of the space in the city, to encourage the critical discussion on the right to diverse, flexible and inclusive city. Ana Rita Santos, Andrés Barreno Lalama, André Ribeiro, Emanuella Vieira, Katielle Susane Silva and Margarida Queirós constitute the Collective Aleph.

Maria Prats Ferret is the new Director at the Observatory for Equality of the Autonomous University of Barcelona. The Observatory for Equality is mainly engaged in the analysis of inequalities in higher education, and more specifically in the study and diagnosis of sexism and inequalities by disability, from an intersectional perspective. Advising, training, prevention and participation in equality are then the key strategies to transform power relationships in the University from a gender perspective.


Ann Oberhauser will be a visiting professor in the Department of Economy and Society at the University of Gothenburg in May and June 2019. During her visit, she will be collaborating with human geography colleagues on research and teaching. This program is part of the Visiting Professor Programme in the School of Business, Economics and Law.

Isabella Ng has started a new project with funding from the University Grant Council’s General Research Fund, titled "In Local Exclusivity Lies Global Inclusion - the Relational Ontology of Asylum-seekers and Refugees in Local Community in a Post-Colonial Hong Kong village.”

Robyn Longhurst is elected in 2018 as a Fellow of the Royal Society of New Zealand Te Aparangi: "Professor Robyn Longhurst’s highly original scholarship on gender, space and ‘the body’ has transformed the way that human geographers and other social scientists understand people-place relationships since the mid-1990s. The concept of embodiment is now seen as integral to feminist research, as well as to all research on space and place."

**Special journal issues**

*Revista Latino-Americana de Geografia e Gênero* published a special issue on **lesbian spaces**, edited by Joseli Maria Silva, with the following contributions:


Lenzi, Maria Helena and Joseli Maria Silva (2018) Faço de conta que eu não existo e você faz de conta que não me vê: Geografias lésbicas na ditadura military em Florianópolis – SC, Brasil, *Revista Latino-Americana de Geografia e Gênero*, 9:2, 114-152


*Gender, Place & Culture* published a special issue on **“Ungendering Europe: critical engagements with key objects in feminism”**, edited by Mia Liinason and Erika Alm, with the following contributions:


Koobak, Redi (2018) Narrating feminisms: what do we talk about when we talk about feminism in Estonia?, *Gender, Place & Culture*, 25:7, 1010-1024


*Gender, Place & Culture* published a themed section on ‘Gender and im(mobilities)’, edited by Marianna Pavlovskaya, Siri Gerrard & Marit Aure, with the following contributions:

Pavlovskaya, Marianna, Siri Gerrard and Marit Aure (2018) Introduction: guest editorial for special issue ‘gender and im(mobilities)’, *Gender, Place & Culture*, 25:8, 1115-1120


Walsh, Deatra and Siri Gerrard (2018) Gender, mobilities and transformation in Loppa, a rural municipality of Norway’s High North, *Gender, Place & Culture*, 25:8, 1154-1174

Neis, Barbara, Lachlan Barber, Kathleen Fitzpatrick, Natasha Hanson, Christine Knott, Stephanie Premji and Elise Thorburn (2018) Fragile synchronicities: diverse, disruptive and constraining rhythms of employment-related geographical mobility, paid and unpaid work in the Canadian context, *Gender, Place & Culture*, 25:8, 1175-1192


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géographie féministe - feminist geography, special issue of GeoAgenda, 1/2019 (papers in English and German). Other special issues from the German speaking feminist geography community are Feministisches Geo-RundMail 77: Jubiläum AK Geographie und Geschlecht. October 2018 http://ak-geographie-geschlecht.org/rundmail/

**New books**


**Recent articles and book chapters**

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Chattopadhyay, Sutapa (2019) Violence on bodies: Space, social reproduction and intersectionality, Gender, Place & Culture, 25:9, 1295-1304

Chiang, Nora and Rebecca A. Stephenson (2018) The Challenges of Feminist Geography in Taiwan, Gender, Place & Culture https://doi.10.1080/0966369x.2018.1556617

Collard, Rosemary-Claire and Jessica Dempsey (2018) Accumulation by difference-making: an anthropocene story, starring witches, Gender, Place & Culture, 25:9, 1349-1364


Elliott-Cooper, Adam (2019) Our life is a struggle? Respectable gender norms and black resistance to policing, Antipode 51:2, 539-557


Federici, Silvia (2018) On reproduction as an interpretative framework for social/gender relations, Gender, Place & Culture, 25:9, 1391-1396


Jorba, M. and M. Rodó-de-Zárate (2018) 'Madre hay más que una': reflexiones en torno a las maternidades lesbianas ['There is Not only One Mother': Reflections on Lesbian Maternities], *LES Online - Revista Latino-Americana de Geografia e Gênero*, 9:2, 222-236


Rodó-de-Zárate, Maria, J. Estivill i Castany and N. Eizagirre Telleria (2019) La configuración y las consecuencias del miedo en el espacio público desde la perspectiva de género [Configuration and consequences of fear in public space from a gender perspective], *Revista Española de Investigaciones Sociológicas* (forthcoming)

Rodó-de-Zárate, Maria (2018) Hogares, cuerpos y emociones para una concepción feminista del Derecho a la Ciudad [Homes, bodies and emotions for a feminist conception of the Right to the City]. In: OACU Género y producción del espacio. De la exclusión a la reivindicación del derecho a la ciudad [Gender and production of space. From exclusion to the right to the city claim]. Barcelona: Pol·len


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