

In the light of the current social, political and cultural international climate, we have been witnessing a more intense engagement of female public intellectuals in the public and political sphere. Through critical thinking and independent platforms of action, some of these public intellectuals have been playing a key role deconstructing the uprising of nationalist narratives, hatred discourses, demagoguery, and misogyny towards “marginalized identities”. This conference seeks to bring together scholars and researchers in all disciplines whose work focuses on female public intellectuals. We hope to engage these issues while moving beyond past debates into new questions on the role of female public intellectual life in the 21st century.

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INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

Female public intellectuals:
 critical thinking and social
 activism

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September 26, Thursday

Intelectuais Públicas Açorianas: Pensamento Crítico e Ativismo Social

ESCOLA SECUNDÁRIA DA LAGOA

Duração: 1 hora

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Duração: 1 hora

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10:00 a.m. OPENING SESSION

- Reitor da Universidade dos Açores
- Presidente do Governo dos Açores
- Diretor do Centro Interdisciplinar de Ciências Sociais - CICS.UAc/CICS.NOVA.UAc
- Presidente da Comissão Organizadora

10:30 a.m. OPENING CONFERENCE

Session chaired by: **Pilar Damião de Medeiros** | University of the Azores, Interdisciplinary Centre of Social Sciences - CICS.UAc/CICS.NOVA.UAc

REPRESENTATIONS OF KNOWLEDGE: THE PERILS AND PROMISES OF THE FEMALE PUBLIC INTELLECTUAL IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY
Minna Salami | Independent Researcher

11:15 a.m. BREAK

11:30 a.m. PANEL I

Session chaired by: **Odile Heynders** | Tilburg University

A 37 YEARS 'DIALOGUE' WITH MARGARET MEAD - PUBLIC INTELLECTUAL AND INTERNATIONALIST EXTRAORDINARY
Lawrence J. Friedman | Harvard University

'WOMAN OF THE WORLD BUT WITHOUT A COUNTRY': ROSIKA SCHWIMMER (1877-1948), FIRST-WAVE FEMINIST AND THE GENDERING OF PUBLIC DISCOURSE
Dagmar Wernitznig | University of Ljubljana

THE SCANDAL OF "THE THREE MARIAS": THREE FEMALE VOICES AND ONE BOOK CHALLENGE THE PATRIARCHAL UNDERPINNING OF THE PORTUGUESE DICTATORSHIP
Pilar Damião de Medeiros | University of the Azores, Interdisciplinary Centre of Social Sciences-CICS.UAc/CICS.NOVA.UAc

1:30 p.m. LUNCH

3:00 p.m. PANEL II

Session chaired by: **Vamberto Henrique Ávila Freitas** | University of the Azores, Faculty of Social and Human Sciences

WRITING AND PERFORMANCE: CHIMAMANDA NGOZI ADICHIE'S ROLE AS CELEBRITY MIGRANT AUTHOR
Odile Heynders | Tilburg University

CAMILLE PAGLIA & ELENA FERRANTE: (IN)VISIBILITY OF FEMALE PUBLIC INTELLECTUALS IN AN ATTENTION ECONOMY
Inge van de Ven | Tilburg University

ABOUT LITERATURE AND INTERSECTIONALITY
Judite Canha Fernandes | Instituto de Literatura Comparada
Margarida Losa

5:30 p.m. CLOSING

September 27, Friday

9:30 a.m. OPENING CONFERENCE

Session chaired by: **Rosa Maria Neves Simas** | University of The Azores, Faculty of Social and Human Sciences

CONFRONTING INJUSTICE IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY: BLACK FEMALE INTELLECTUALS IN THE PUBLIC SPHERE
Jami Carlacio | Yale University

10:45 a.m. BREAK

11:00 a.m. PANEL III

Session chaired by: **Maria Leonor Sampaio Silva** | University of the Azores, Faculty of Social and Human Sciences

SMALL (OR BIG?) DOMESTIC DELUSIONS
Anabela Mota Ribeiro | Journalist / PhD student

WORKING TOWARDS THE BETTER IMAGINED": STORYTELLING AS ACTIVISM IN THE WORK OF ALI SMITH
Charlotte Boyce | University of Portsmouth

PUBLIC GENDERED SELVES AND THE VIOLATION OF GENDER CODES: DE-ESSENTIALISING POLITICS THROUGH THE DEFENCE OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS AGAINST ANOTHER'
Cláudia Álvares | Universidade Lusófona, CIES/ISCTE-IUL

1:00 p.m. CLOSING