

RESEARCH SEMINAR

Gendering European Integration: theoretical perspectives and implications



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The aim of this seminar is to explore the historical and intellectual background against which gender approaches to European integration have developed over the last two decades. We will look at contributions of several key theorists who analysed how women and gender relations shaped the European Union and its policies. We will then turn to some key criticisms of gender approaches and reflect on potential future developments. Empirically, it will be argued that gender perspective provides useful tools to explore „dark corners“ of the functioning of EU institutions, notably the Council, usually neglected by mainstream scholarship.

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Reference

[Routledge Handbook of Gender and EU Politics](#). Routledge, 2021
(co-edited with Andrea Krizsan, Heather MacRae and Anna van der Vleuten).