International Hybrid Workshop

WOMEN OF THE WATERFRONT

Gendering Ports, Careers, Relations and (Everyday) Life Trajectories in Modern Times

The workshop is open to the public and it will be held in hybrid mode. For info and registration to attend the workshop on line, please contact:

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PROGRAMME

6 December 2023

02:15 p.m. CET – **OPENING ADDRESSES Lucia Ceci** (Head of the Department of History, Humanities and Society, Tor Vergata University of Rome – Italy) **Erica Mezzoli** (NextGenerationEu Project 'Ondine'-Tor Vergata University of Rome – Italy)

02:30 p.m. CET – **KEYNOTE LECTURE** Valerie Burton (Memorial University of Newfoundland – Canada) Puzzling Amongst the Pieces: A Keynote Presentation for 'Women of the Waterfront'

DISCUSSION

03:30 p.m. CET – Coffee break

4:00 p.m. CET - 1st SESSION

La donna è mobile: Female Mobility, Labour, Sexuality and Coercion in a Global Perspective

Chair: **Erica Mezzoli** (NextGenerationEU Project 'Ondine'-Tor Vergata University of Rome – Italy)

Sagarika Naik (Independent Researcher – India) **Gendering Communities: Trans-national Networks in Yangon** (Rangoon, Myanmar), 1840–1937

Müge Özbek (Kadir Has University, Istanbul – Turkey) The Everyday Mobility of Women in the Istanbul Ports at the Turn of the 19th Century

Livinus Ikwuako Okeke (Imo State University, Owerri – Nigeria) 'Women of the Waterfront' at Calabar (Nigeria) and Bata (Equatorial Guinea): the Female Side of Igbo Migrant Labour, 1928–76

Letonde Hermine Gbedo (Comitato per i Diritti Civili delle Prostitute aps, Trieste – Italy) and Veronica Saba (Comitato per i Diritti Civili delle Prostitute aps, Trieste – Italy) Trafficking in Women at The Italian North-Eastern Border: Patterns of Women's Agency and Mobility from the Perspective of a 20 Years Long Anti-Trafficking Project Alexei Kraikovski (University of Genova – Italy) Ladies on the Coast. The Female Dimension of Maritimity in Imperial St. Petersburg (Russia)

Ariana Domínguez García (University of the Balearic Islands – Spain) and Daniel J. Albero Santacreu (University of the Balearic Islands – Spain)

Gendering the Port: Reinterpreting the Landscape of the Fishing Community of the Port of Palma (1940–2023)

DISCUSSION

10:30 a.m. CET - Coffee break

11:00 a.m. $\operatorname{CET}-3rd$ SESSION

Women Who Mind Their Own Business: Female Maritime Entrepreneurship between Europe and North America

Chair: Maura E. Hametz (James Madison University – USA)

Luisa Muñoz Abeledo (Santiago de Compostela University – Spain)

Business Occupations for Women in North-West Spanish Port Cities (1880–1915)

John Odin Jensen (University of West Florida – USA) Female Maritime Entrepreneurs and the Marketing of Women's Domestic Labor on Canadian and American Great Lakes Vessels 1865–1910

Paola Avallone (Istituto di storia dell'Europa mediterranea-CNR – Italy) and **Raffaella Salvemini** (Istituto di storia dell'Europa mediterranea-CNR – Italy)

Women of the Sea. Some Examples of Female Entrepreneurs in the Maritime Universe of Nineteenth-Century Southern Italy

DISCUSSION

12:15 p.m. CET – LIGHT LUNCH

02:15 p.m. CET – **4th SESSION**

DISCUSSION

7 December 2023

9:15 a.m. CET – 2nd SESSION Working Out Maritimity: Gender, Labour and the Port Fact

Chair: John Odin Jensen (University of West Florida – USA)

Matthew Ylitalo (University of St Andrews – Scotland, UK) A Sisterhood of Knives: Women, Casual Labour and Translocality in the Arctic Trade, 1900–1912 Souls at Work: Women and Men Navigating 'Home-Ports'

Chair: Karen Belmore (University of West Florida – USA)

Kristof Loockx (University of Antwerp – Belgium) Identities, Experiences and Life Trajectories: The Women of Antwerp's and Boston's Sailortowns, 1880–1900

Maura E. Hametz (James Madison University – USA) Women Working Overseas: Alma Morpurgo's Maritime Migrations

Erica Mezzoli (NextGenerationEu Project 'Ondine'-Tor Vergata University of Rome – Italy) [Wo]Men in Love and [Wo]Men in Port. 'Aleksandrovanje' Couples Dealing with Multiple Dislocations

DISCUSSION