## **EQUALITY: AUSTRIA AND TAIWAN**

BI-LATERAL AUSTRIAN-TAIWANESE JOINT SEMINAR 27 + 28 FEBRUARY 2017

### **Organization:**

Prof. Dr. Andrea Komlosy, Department of Social and Economic History, University of Vienna Dr. Astrid Lipinsky, Department of East Asian Studies - Sinology, University of Vienna

#### **About the Conference:**

Based upon the discussion about equality at the 2016 joint seminar at National Chengchi University (NCCU), Taipei, Taiwan, with participating scholars from both University of Vienna and NCCU, the Seminar 'Equality: Austria and Taiwan' aims to extend the scope of discussion about equality with a focus on equality for minorities and generational equality in both Austria and Taiwan. Both face formidable challenges of properly accommodating immigrants and justly treating minority groups. Ethnic/language and generational difference is central to the aforementioned problems facing both Austria and Taiwan, representing the two main topics under the theme of equality. Subjects to be discussed include: 1. Equality and ethnic diversity: migration (history of migration, historic waves of immigration both in Austria and in Taiwan, mainlanders in Taiwan); deportation and escape; aborigines and historical minorities (aspects of ethnicity, minority cultures, how to preserve one's culture, distribution of minorities in the territory); multi-linguality (linguistic diversity), 'Chineseness' of migration, distribution on the territory). 2. Equality and generation: demography (population policy and changes, different generations of elderly and youth, social security and welfare, how far is welfare related to permanent employment, identity; gender; labor relations (informal work, atypical work, retirement ages, non-permanent work).

In addition to discussing equality in contexts of Austria and Taiwan, comparison will be attempted for better theorising equality on the basis of solid empirical studies.

Time	Panel
	Monday 27 February 2017
9.30	Opening and Welcome Remarks  Chair: Andrea Komlosy - Astrid Lipinsky, University of Vienna
10.00	Ao. UnivProf. Dr. Christoph Augustynowicz, Vize-Dekan, Faculty of Historical-Cultural Sciences Ao. UnivProf. Mag. Dr. Michael Zach, Vize-Dekan, Faculty of Philological and Cultural Studies Hsien-Ming Lien, National Chengchi University, Taiwan
10.00	Panel 1: Equality in Education Chair: Agnes Schick-Chen, University of Vienna
12.00	Susanne Weigelin-Schwiedrzik: Access to University Education. Egalitarianism and Equal Opportunities. Visions and Reality in: China, Taiwan and Austria
	Prudence Chou: Academic Identity and Gender Equality in the Race for World-Class University: The Case of Taiwan
	Chuang Yi-Chyi: Social Equity: Educational and Job Opportunities of Students from disadvantaged Families in Taiwan
12.00 -	14.00 Break: Lunch buffet onsite
14.00	Panel 2: Equalities over Generations  Chair: Susanne Weigelin-Schwiedrzik, University of Vienna
15.30	Hsien-Ming Lien: My Money and Your Pension: Pension Reform and Generational Equality
	Josef Ehmer: Ageing and Generational Relations in Austria in EurAsian Perspective
	Sascha Klotzbücher: Mutual Help and other New Forms of Intra-Generational Care of Elderly: Can they overcome the Existing Cleavages of Wealth and Ethnicity?
15.30 -	16.00 Coffee break
16.00	Panel 3: Immigrants and Immigration Chair: Josef Ehmer, University of Vienna
- 17.30	Agnes Schick-Chen: Perceiving Communities - Writing the Community? Addressing the Issue of Diversity in Academic Research on Migration from the Chinese-speaking World to Austria
	Jiagu Richter: Collective Identity and Equal Rights for Immigrants - Observation of Chinese Immigrants in Austria
	Hsiao-Hung Nancy Chen:

Marriage Migrants. Reflections from Taiwanese Policies towards Mainland Chinese Brides

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9.00	Panel 4: Gender Identity in Taiwan  Chair: Ann Heylen, NTNU	
10.30	Astrid Lipinsky: From a Confucian Patriarchal Tradition to Equality within the Family: The Blueprint of the Convention on the Elimination of Any Form of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) in Taiwan	
	Wei Mei-Chuan: The journey of pursuing gender equality in postwar Taiwan - Achievements and limitations of liberal feminism in Taiwan	
	Weng Yen-Ching: Civil Code Amendment or Special Act? On the Recent Debate on Legal Recognition of Same-sex Relationships	
10.30 -	11.00 Coffee break	
11.00	Panel 5: Ethnicity  Chair: Sascha Klotzbücher, University of Vienna	
13.00	Frank Wang: Resistance of Indigenous Communities to the Colonizing Effects of Long Term Care Policy in Taiwan	
	Tang Jin-Ping: Promoting Just Development in Aboriginal Communities through Innovative Social Economy: The Case of Wulai in Taiwan	
	Rosa Enn:	
	An European Perspective on Local Aborigines' Research in Taiwan	
13.00 -	14.00 Lunch Break	
14.00	Panel 6a: Migration - Regional and Global Perspectives Chair: Raoul Findeisen, University of Vienna	
15.00	Annemarie Steidl: Migration Patterns of Central Europeans in Historical Perspective	
	Yang Wan-Ying:	

16.30 Roundtable Discussion: Outcome of the Day and the Conference Chair: Andrea Komlosy, Hsing-Ming Lien

18.00 Project Application Plans
Publication Plans and Deadlines

18.00 - Dinner for invited guests

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