

Call for Participation – Call for Abstracts

for the conference of the **Inter_Trans_Research Network**

8.-10. October 2021 (digitally)

The Inter_Trans_Research Network ITW is a loose association of people who research and/or work on inter and trans topics in a solidary and non-pathologising way.

We would like to invite you to participate in our next conference with a contribution on the topic of intersex and/or transgender issues. **This invitation addresses to all those who work scientifically or practically on these topics.** It is important for us to have approaches that are based on solidarity and **do not misappropriate or pathologise** inter and trans people.

Moreover, we explicitly encourage contributions from **outside** the humanities and social sciences: What are you researching and what are your results, e.g. in medicine or natural sciences, computer science or engineering?

We are interested in having as many different voices as possible have their say. By this, we **explicitly address people who are not scholars in the narrow sense** of the word. So if you are working practically or activistically in these fields, you are welcome to share your experiences from this work at our conference and discuss it with others.

Examples of topics your contribution could address include:

- Health care of intersex and trans people
- Urban/rural differences and their impact on the reality of intersex and trans life
- Intersections of intersex and trans perspectives
- Intersex/transgender and labour (including unemployment) in capitalism
- Trans and intersex history
- And much more.

We particularly welcome contributions that do not treat intersex and/or trans as individual phenomena in isolation, but also ask **how the respective topic is related to other inequalities and forms of discrimination** in society, such as origin, racism, age discrimination, ableism, etc.

The form of your contribution could be, for example:

- Reports from your practical, professional or activist work
- Artistic interpretation
- 'Classical' academic lecture/presentation
- Discussion of empirical material
- Work in progress (e.g., you are just starting to write your final thesis and would like to discuss your project at the conference)
- etc.

The length of the presentations at the conference should not exceed 25 minutes.

Please submit your proposals in the form of a short **abstract** of not more than **3,000 characters** by **30 April 2021**. This abstract should answer the following questions:

- Question: What is my/our contribution about?
- Methods: How did I/we come to the findings? (e.g. interviews, practical experience in consulting, literature review, media analysis, etc.)
- Most important findings
- Relevance: Why is the topic important?

Please send your abstract via e-mail (pdf) to: **itw-tagung2021@posteo.de**

We have **decided on a quota of contributions**: Our goal is to realise 50% of the contributions on topics related to intersex. In the case of contributions that touch on both topics, our committee will decide on the classification; we want to avoid that contributions claim to include intersex topics primarily for quota reasons.

You can find information on the Inter_Trans_Research Network, its publications and former conferences and (soon to come) information on the upcoming conference: <https://intertranswissenschaft.net/>

We are looking forward to meet you online in October!

A bit earlier, from September 6-8, 2021 the online event/conference "Willst du mit mir gehen? Inter*trans*nonbinary*queer kinships and conflicts – a networking event for academia, activism, art, life –" will take place. In the scope of this event strangers can meet each other, scientific work and work of art should be connected to activism and life. Between disciplines and beyond the academy, thematic and personal references will be exchanged and discussed. Here, too, you have the opportunity to get involved.

Deadline for handing in contributions: 15.4.2021 (Mail: hallo@willst-du-mit-mir-gehen.online).
For more information, please visit (available from March 1): willst-du-mit-mir-gehen.online.