



The section "Sociology of Gender" in the Department of Sociology at the University of Graz invites to the media presentation of the project

## **Developing Women's and Gender Studies in Gaza/Palestine**

**This is the first gender studies programme established in Gaza.**

**When:** 28<sup>th</sup> October 2020, 10:00-12:00

**Where:** SZ 15.21, Resowi-Building, Universitätsstraße 15, 8010 Graz

Registration is mandatory: <https://gender-studies-in-gaza.uni-graz.at/en/registration/>  
or via [socpublicevent@uni-graz.at](mailto:socpublicevent@uni-graz.at)

Registration deadline: 26<sup>th</sup> October 2020

The current governmental COVID-19 provisions will be followed (access only to registered invitees, wearing a mask except when seated, keeping interpersonal distance).

### **Speakers:**

**Sanaa Aboudagga**, professor at Islamic University of Gaza, project director of the gender studies programme, will address the importance of the programme as well as coping strategies of Gazan women, who live under adverse circumstances (three wars since 2008, siege, poverty, limited mobility, health crisis, Covid-19 restrictions). Via video link from Gaza

**Libora Oates-Indruchová**, professor for Sociology of Gender, University of Graz, project director at University of Graz, will explain the objectives of the programme **Strengthening Higher Education Capacities in Palestine for Gender Equality (SHE-GE)**, an academic partnership project implemented by the Islamic University of Gaza (IUG) and the Department of Sociology at the University of Graz (Uni Graz).

**Format:** Presentations, followed by Q&A

**Language:** English, no translation

**Further information:** [www.appear.at/she-ge](http://www.appear.at/she-ge) and <https://gender-studies-in-gaza.uni-graz.at/>

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**Sanaa Aboudagga** is Professor of Education at the Islamic University of Gaza (IUG) since 1999. She got her M.A. & PhD from Iowa State University in the USA. She held several senior positions at IUG and is now the director of the academic partnership project titled "Strengthening Higher Education Capacities in Palestine for Gender Equality" (SHE-GE), which is implemented by IUG with Graz University. The project is funded by the Austrian Development Agency (ADA) under the Austrian Partnership Programme for Higher Education and Research (APPEAR). The research of Prof. Aboudagga covers evaluation, community development, women's issues and quality in education and is published in refereed journals.



**Libora Oates-Indruchová** is Professor for Sociology of Gender at the Department of Sociology, University of Graz, Austria. She studied literary and cultural theory and obtained her PhD from Lancaster University, U.K., after which she completed her "habilitation" (dr. habil.) in Literary and Cultural Studies at Szeged University, Hungary. She also studied Gender Studies at Central European University in Budapest Hungary, and holds an undergraduate degree in sports studies and English from Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic. Her research interests cover cultural representations of gender, gender and social change, censorship, and narrative research. She writes mainly on late state-socialist Czech cultural issues and published, among others, in *Signs*, *Slavic Review*, *Europe-Asia Studies*, *Men & Masculinities*, *Aspasia* and *Sociologický časopis*.