

Design Equity (online, 23 Jan 25)

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Long considered peripheral, topics like gender, cultural differences, and equity are now central to rethinking design's role and impact globally. The latest issue of the DESIGNABILITIES Design Research Journal brings together diverse voices from across the world to examine how design intersects with issues of fairness, systemic inequality, and pluriversality. From critiques of traditional design historiography and gender-biased forensic practices to explorations of queer masculinities and participatory methods in marginalized communities, the special issue DESIGN EQUITY spans a wide range of research and perspectives. On the 23rd of January 2025, some of the contributors will delve into nuanced distinctions between equity and equality, as well as the broader implications of cultural and epistemological diversity in design, and open the discussion to all those who are interested.

PROGRAMME / SPEAKERS:

6:00 pm: Welcome Address

"Design Equity"

Prof. Dr. Tom Bieling (HfG Offenbach / BIRD)

Prof. Dr. Uta Brandes (iGDN / BIRD)

6:10 pm: Opening Remarks

"Equity by Design?"

Prof. Dr. Maria Cecília Loschiavo dos Santos (USP São Paulo)

6:15 pm: Talks

Prof. Dr. Lesley-Ann Noel (OCAD Toronto)

"Focus on Exuity"

Prof. Valeria Durán (FADU-UBA Buenos Aires)

Prof. Celeste Moretti (FADU-UBA Buenos Aires)

Prof. Griselda Flesler (FADU-UBA Buenos Aires)

"Gender – Design – Justice"

Dr. phil. Dorothee Ader (Klingspor Museum Offenbach)

Naomi Rado (Same bold stories? Frankfurt)

"Bold Revisions: Gender Equity in Type Design Research and Practice"

Prof. Dr. Raquel Noronha (UFMA Maranhão)

"Decolonising Things, Recreating Worlds"

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Prof. Dr. Felix Kosok (GIU Berlin)

"Queer Masculinities in Design"

Prof. Dr. Bitten Stetter (ZHdK Zürich)

"Finally, we are fragile"

Lisa Lenkersdorf (UdK Berlin)

"Design Issues"

17:15: Open Discussion

18:00: Closing Remarks

Free participation – Register via <https://www.eventbrite.de/e/1147606926209?aff=oddtcreator> to receive the zoom link. Please join for an exciting discussion!

Organised by Prof. Dr. Tom Bieling & Prof. Dr. Uta Brandes

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