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Place and Person

The presentation will focus on my recent research plans in Micronesia. The link between interaction, landscape and gender promises to yield information on spatial perception and orientation systems as well as on gender and - ultimately - on the concept of person. Narratives about ‘places that matter’ are likely to be a rich source for analysis. My previous fieldwork experience in Island Melanesia suggests a wealth of similarities in concepts of place and person that do not support the regional division between Melanesia and Micronesia.