EQUALITY: AUSTRIA AND TAIWAN
BI-LATERAL AUSTRIAN-TAIWANESE JOINT SEMINAR
27 + 28 FEBRUARY 2017

Organization:
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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); multilingualism (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
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9.30 | Opening and Welcome Remarks
| Chair: Andrea Komlosy - Astrid Lipinsky, University of Vienna
10.00 | Univ.-Prof. Dr. Claudia Theune-Vogt, Dekanin, Faculty of Historical and Cultural Studies, University of Vienna (tbc)
| Univ.-Prof. Mag. Dr. Melanie Malzahn, Dekanin, Faculty of Philological and Cultural Studies (tbc)
| Hsien-Ming Lien, National Chengchi University, Taiwan
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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
| Yang Yanfei:
| A Preliminary Satisfaction Report of Chinese Students in Taiwanese Universities: Learning and Living
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

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TIME PANEL
16.00 -
17.30 Panel 3: Immigrants and Immigration
Chair: Josef Ehmer, University of Vienna

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

18.00 -
Dinner for invited guests

Tuesday 28 February 2017

9.00 Panel 4: Gender Identity in Taiwan
Chair: Ann Heylen, NTNU

Astrid Lipinsky:
From a Confucian Patriarchal Tradition to Equality in the Family: The Blueprint of the Convention on the Elimination of Any Form of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) in Taiwan

Wei Mei-chuan:
Where are we now? The journey of reaching gender equality in Taiwan

Wang 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 Klotzbuecher, University of Vienna

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

Alexej Kljutschewsky:
Austrian historical minorities and new post-WWII migrants: Multi-language use in a generational perspective

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch Break

14.00 Panel 6a: Migration - Regional and Global Perspectives
Chair: Raoul Findeisen, University of Vienna

Annemarie Steidl:
Migration Patterns of Central Europeans in Historical Perspective

Yang Wan-Ying:
Identity or interest first? The conflicting Taiwanese identity in forming

15.00 - 15.30 Coffee break

15.30 Panel 6b: Migration - Regional and Global Perspectives
Chair: Raoul Findeisen, University of Vienna

Wen-Ling Tu:
Air Justice: Community Inquiries and Actions for Clean Air in Taiwan

Andrea Komlosy:
Labour and refugee migration through the prism of equality

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

18.00 -
Dinner for invited guests