

Families in Transit

Child-bearing, Child-rearing and Inheritance during Displacement

September 21-23, 2022
Leiden University, The Netherlands

A conference organized by Dr. Sarah A. Cramsey
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*“Vinok,” by Veronika Psotková | Suspended above Dlouhá Street in Prague
Dedicated to mothers impacted by the war in Ukraine*

Wednesday, September 21

Keynote Address

16:30-17:45 | Lipsius Building, Room #123

Dinner by invitation at Restaurant Tabu to follow Keynote Address

16:30 *Between migration and persecution, the role of family ties in the trajectories of Jews facing the Shoah*
Claire Zalc
With a response by Sarah A. Cramsey

Thursday, September 22

Conference Presentations | 9:00-17:00 | Verbarium Room, Vrieshof Building #3

9:00 Some welcoming thoughts, Sarah A. Cramsey

9:15 First Panel, chaired by John-Harmen Valk

Intercountry adoption

Marlou Schrover

Monitoring marriage and inheritance of Judean families in the Babylonian exile (c. 570–470BCE)

Caroline Waerzeggers

Divided families and a “flickering” diaspora: Ukrainian war refugees in the EU

Valeria Korablyova

11:00 Second Panel, chaired by Joel Bordeaux

How families navigate statelessness: Examples from the Nansenists in the era of the World Wars
Ismee Tames

Witnessing the Recovery: Storytelling and Family Building, from Belsen to Ireland
Mary Fraser Kirsh

Debating Agency & Vulnerability: A Gendered Look at Displaced Persons in Post-War Austria
Franziska Lamp

12:45 Lunch on site

13:30 Third Panel, chaired by Tom-Eric Krijger

The True, The Good, and the Spiteful: (Un)Settled Families
Adnan Mahmutović

Meanings and Manifestations of the Family in Post-WWII Recuperative Holidays for Children
Lorraine McEvoy

15:00 Fourth Panel, chaired by Sarah A. Cramsey

Charting the impact of colonization and historical trauma within Indigenous families
Melissa Walls

Citizenship and family under apartheid in Palestine
Bassel Akar

Keynote Address

17:30-19:30 | Orangery at the Leiden Botanical Garden

(17:30 doors open and welcome drink, 18:00 talk begins, 19:00 reception)

RSVP to s.a.cramsey@lum.leidenuniv.nl required for this talk

Dinner by invitation at Orangery to follow Reception

18:00 *Endogamy and Displacement: historical and contemporary challenges*

Ab de Jong

With a response by Corey Williams

Friday, September 23

Conference Presentations | 9:00-12:00 | Verbarium Room, Vrieshof Building #3

9:00 Fifth Panel, chaired by Nadia Kreeft

Greek Civil War Refugees and their Families in Czechoslovakia
Kateřina Králová

Taking Care of Others and the Self through Islamic Funeral Service in Berlin
Barış Ülker

Diaper Trouble: Capturing Family Creation in Transit, Diaspora and Beyond
Sarah A. Cramsey

11:00 *An hour long conversation to discuss what we learned and what comes next*