

# DECOLONIAL FEMINISMS

A Transdisciplinary African Feminist  
Conversation



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This Afro-Feminist Round Table will engage with decolonial feminism from francophone and anglophone African perspectives with a view to generating valuable insights in intersectional and decolonial epistemic frames pertinent to the Cluster's agenda of reconfiguring African Studies. This intergenerational, transdisciplinary conversation is a sharing of thoughts and teachings from the speakers' diverse situated standpoints.

Decolonial feminisms are epistemic frames to name and address all modes of systemic oppression. The conceptual tools implemented mobilize the knowledges produced by racialised women in the Global South throughout history, whereby transformative justice informs decolonial feminist visions.

Knowledge production by racialised women has for the most part been about articulating life worlds and situated knowledges which have otherwise been consigned to the margins, dehumanised and/or erased. These knowledges form the bases of knowledge currently produced by Global South women scholars and activists working for much-needed transformative justice and life-affirming visions of futures.

Moreover, decolonial feminisms generate modes of care and hope as viable frames for envisioning African Futures for both established and early career scholars.

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The Gender and Diversity Office of the Africa Multiple Cluster of Excellence  
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The event will be chaired by  
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Renowned Senegalese feminist sociologist Dr. Fatou Sow is the second recipient of the BIGSAS honorary doctorate from the University of Bayreuth. One of the first African women researchers who, after independence, gave voice to African women and their issues, her research interests and activism have always centered the fundamental rights and equality of women.

Fatou Sow

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An anti-racist and anti-capitalist decolonial feminist, Prof. Vergès has published extensively in French and English on themes ranging from postcolonial theory, creolization, psychoanalysis, racial Anthropocene, slavery and colonial memorials, museums and feminism, the economy of predation to Frantz Fanon and Aimé Césaire.

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Prof. Alidou is a theoretical linguist with a focus on women's orality and literacy practices in African Muslim societies, African Muslim women's Agency and gender justice, African women's literatures, Gendered discourses of identity and the politics of cultural production in African Muslim societies.

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Prof. Adomako Ampofo considers herself an activist scholar. Her areas of interest include African Knowledge systems, Higher education, Race and Identity Politics, Gender relations, Masculinities and Popular Culture.

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