

VIS Pre-Conference Workshop

HOW GENDER STUDIES IN IT CAN SUPPORT WOMEN IN IT: Situation, Reflection and Action

A one-day workshop (English lectures, German/English workshop),

Prof. Brita Schinzel, University of Freiburg, Germany

Prof. Frances Grundy, Keel University, England

Prof. Gunilla Bradley, Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), Sweden

November 2, 10:00 – approx. 16:00 at EMPA Sankt Gallen, Switzerland

Participation in the workshop is free for members of Donna Informatica. For non-members registration for this pre-conference workshop amounts to € 150.--. The workshop can be attended standalone, but it is a pre-conference event pursuant to

The two day Conference (Nov. 3-4)

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Donna Informatica members may attend this conference at a reduced rate of € 150.--.

Goal of the Workshop is to deal with the specifics of the Swiss situation in IT education and industry, in comparison with the general situation in the north-western industrialized world. The workshop will deal with the participants' experiences and concrete problems.

After an initial introduction from Frances Grundy on gender theories and situation in the IT sector, participants will bring own experiences into a systematic reflection and develop constructive proposals for action in areas of communication, behaviour, environments, as well as for general future organizational changes in industry and/or educational systems.

Lectures will be held in English language. Workshop languages will be both English and German. The form of the workshop will require that participants work actively within the workshop, are open to critical self reflection and for new forms of cooperation and thinking. The participation is free.

Please register per email to: therese.bracher@empa.ch, cc: donnainform@yahoo.com
Indicate if you will attend any of the optional events (see below).

For the VIS Conference please register as a «student» at: www.empa.ch/vis2005 clearly stating that you are a member of Donna Informatica

Feel free to send any of your thoughts or experiences, as pre-workshop input, to Britta Schinzel britta.schinzel@modell.iig.uni-freiburg.de.

Timetable: Situation, reflection (and action)

10.00 – 10.30	Introductory lecture by Dr. Frances Grundy « Gender Studies in Computing »
10.30 – 12.30	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Getting to know one another2. Collection and discussion of participants' (own) situation and experiences3. Reflection and systematization of the findings for understanding4. Proposals for action and change.
12.30 – 13.30	Working Lunch

13:30 - 14:00	Lecture by Prof. Dr. Gunilla Bradley (This lecture and discussion will also be attended by the Swiss Informatics and Society Special Interest Group)
14.00 – 14.30	Lecture discussion
14:30 - 16:00	Continuation of workshop items 3 and 4 3. Reflection and systematization of the findings for understanding 4. Proposals for action and change

Optional:

17:00	Guided tour through the old town, including the UNESCO world heritage Site «Convent of Sankt Gallen» with the world famous Abbey Library (registration required, limited number)
Evening	Informal dinner (we will inform you about the place)