

**International Conference**

# **Mobility and Networks**

**14 & 15 November 2011, Berne, Switzerland**

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There are very good reasons to request and promote geographical mobility. Yet there are equally good reasons to question today's demand for and politics of internationality. Studies have shown that mobility is more problematic for female researchers than for their male colleagues. The factors are manifold: socialization, different priorities, dual careers, family, etc.

The aim of the conference is to critically reflect the topic of mobility – and the associated notion of networks – in relation to gender. Moreover, there will be a focus on discussing measures which could alleviate the mobility gap, especially with regard to research funding bodies.

The conference will mark ten years of work by the Equal Opportunities Commission of the Swiss National Science Foundation.

## Program

Monday, 14 November, 2011

14.30-15.10	Registration	Library
15.10-15.30	<p>Welcome address</p> <p><b>Dieter Imboden</b>, president of the Swiss National Research Council</p>	Plenary Room
15.30-19.00	<p>Part I: Mobility patterns</p> <p>Chair: <b>Claire Huguenin</b>, University of Zurich and member of the Swiss National Research Council</p> <p>15.30 <b>Internationalisation: The contribution of mobilities to effective international relationship-building</b> <b>Louise Ackers</b>, University of Liverpool</p> <p>16.15 <b>Interests in conflict</b> <b>Peter Strohschneider</b>, LMU Munich</p>	Plenary Room
17.00-17.30	Break	Library
17.30	<p><b>Institutionalisation of transnational mobility in academia and the ideal type of academic entrepreneur</b> <b>Regula Julia Leemann</b>, University of Applied Sciences Northwestern Switzerland, Basel</p>	
18.15	<p><b>Changing places: Looking at migrant scholars and academic mobility</b> <b>Brigitte Bönisch-Brednich</b>, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand</p>	
19.30-22.00	Reception	Cinématte

Tuesday, 15 November, 2011

<b>09.00-11.15</b>	<b>Part II: Impact factors</b>	<b>Plenary Room</b>
	<b>Chair: Claudia Opitz, University of Basel and member of the Swiss National Research Council</b>	
09.00	<b>Portable partners? Dual career couples and international mobility</b> <b>Kathrin Zippel</b> , Northeastern University, Boston	
09.45	<b>Mobility with children</b> <b>Christian Suter</b> , University of Neuchâtel	
10.30	<b>(Ex)Changing experiences: Congenial conditions for motion and mobility</b> <b>Barbara Hartung</b> , Ministry of Science and Culture, Lower Saxony, Hannover	
<b>11.15-11.45</b>	<b>Break</b>	<b>Library</b>
<b>11.45-13.00</b>	<b>Discussion in parallel workshops</b>	
<b>13.00-14.00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Library</b>
<b>14.00-15.30</b>	<b>Roundtable</b>	<b>Plenary Room</b>
	<b>Chair: Dieter Imboden, SNSF</b>	
	<b>Participants:</b>	
	<b>Michelle Bucher</b> , University of Geneva	
	<b>Viviane Hess</b> , University of Basel	
	<b>Peter Strohschneider</b> , LMU Munich	
	<b>Simon Teuscher</b> , University of Zurich	
	<b>Kathrin Zippel</b> , Northeastern University, Boston	
<b>15.30</b>	<b>Close of conference</b>	
<b>15.30-16.30</b>	<b>Refreshments</b>	<b>Library</b>

## General Information

Location	<p>The Conference will take place at:</p> <p>Swiss National Science Foundation Wildhainweg 21, Plenary Room CH-3001 Berne, Switzerland</p> <p>How to reach us: <a href="http://www.snf.ch/E/about-us/contact/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.snf.ch/E/about-us/contact/Pages/default.aspx</a></p>
Language	<p>Conference language will be English. Discussions in the parallel workshops will be held in English, German and French.</p>
Registration	<p>Registration deadline is 5 November: <a href="http://www.amiando.com/mobilityandnetworks">www.amiando.com/mobilityandnetworks</a></p> <p>Places are limited. There is no conference fee. Should you need to cancel your participation, please give us notice: <a href="mailto:equality@snf.ch">equality@snf.ch</a></p>
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