

## **CGD Monthly Evening Seminars**

The IRDR Centre for Gender and Disaster (CGD) is organizing a regular evening seminar on the last Wednesday of the month from January through to June 2019 (with more to come later in the year). The dates for your diary are:

- 27 February 2019
- 27 March 2019
- 24 April 2019
- 29 May 2019
- 26 June 2019

All seminars run from 18:00 - 19:30 in the same location: Room 106 Gordon House, Gordon Street: <a href="http://www.ucl.ac.uk/maps/gordon-house-106">http://www.ucl.ac.uk/maps/gordon-house-106</a>

Find more details here: <a href="https://www.ucl.ac.uk/risk-disaster-reduction/events/2019/feb/irdr-centre-qender-and-disaster-monthly-evening-seminars">https://www.ucl.ac.uk/risk-disaster-reduction/events/2019/feb/irdr-centre-qender-and-disaster-monthly-evening-seminars</a>



# The second seminar is in February 2019

by **Dr Hanna Ketola** of King's College London

Hanna Ketola is a Postdoctoral Fellow at the department of War Studies at King's College London. Her research concerns war and peacebuilding with a

particular focus on feminist understandings of agency and embodiment, subaltern politics, and ethnographic methods. She is currently working on a monograph based on her PhD research conducted in Nepal.

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### Hanna Ketola

The 2nd seminar, **Wednesday 27 February 2019**, will be given by **Dr Hanna Ketola** of King's College London

'Withdrawing from Politics? Gender, agency and women ex-fighters in Nepal'

Hanna's talk explores subjectivities of women who fought in the People's Liberation Army (PLA) in Nepal, and the subsequent insights this provides for theorising agency in post-conflict contexts. It examines "withdrawing from politics", a dynamic whereby women ex-fighters move away from the public sphere and collective mobilisation and rearticulates this withdrawing as a location of political agency. Through engaging with the narratives of ex-fighters, Hanna problematises the figure of the resistant female agent that haunts the otherwise nuanced feminist analysis of post-conflict agency.

Join us for the presentation and the discussion afterwards. It is sure to encourage another lively debate!



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- A Unique Centre
- Sourcing, building and sharing Evidence across 5 core areas.
- Organizing Monthly Evening Seminars with invited speakers to kick off the discussion.
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- Carrying out Primary Research. Currently: 1)
  'Women Political Leaders in Nepal'; 2) 'A Gendered
   Analysis of the Implementation of the Nepal Disaster
   Risk Reduction and Management Act, 2017' and 3)
   'The Living/Lived-In City Inclusive Reconstruction
   after Disaster'.
- Contributing to: Rohingya Journeys of Violence and Resilience in Bangladesh and its Neighbours: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives (British Academy Award Reference: SDP2\100094).

See more at: https:// www.ucl.ac.uk/risk-disasterreduction/researchprojects/2018/nov/rohingyajourneys-violence-andresilience-bangladesh-andits-neighbours





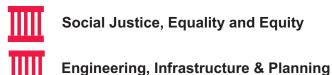
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