

1st International Conference on Men and Masculinities
“Identities, Cultures, Societies”

11–13 September 2014, Izmir Turkey

Call for Papers

Initiative for Critical Studies of Masculinities (ICSM) cordially invites proposals for the first international conference on men and masculinities to take place in Turkey, in collaboration with Ankara University Women’s Studies Centre (KASAUM), Izmir University Women’s Studies Centre and Center For The Study of Men and Masculinities at Stony Brook University. The conference aims to discuss theories, narratives, experiences, discourses, and activisms related to transformations of and challenges to men and masculinities with a particular focus on the Global Southern and Eastern European contexts.

Various phenomena such as globalisation and reconfigurations of nation states/nationalisms; identity politics; new social movements and political activism; rise in digital technology and the new social media; and the influence of postmodern and queer theory have changed and challenged men’s lives and masculinities in distinct ways. Yet there is little consensus on how to characterise transformations caused by such phenomena. We are seeking to explore issues related to such transformations with their political, economic, social and cultural implications for men and masculinities. We are also interested in addressing issues concerning methodologies, scope and conceptual boundaries of the critical studies of men and masculinities that need rethinking in light of these changes and developments. In order to contribute to these debates, researchers from social sciences and humanities are invited to send proposals to discuss topics including, but not limited to:

- Revolutionary movements, political activism, ethnic/religious conflicts
- Nationalism, military and militarisation
- Lived experiences and/or representations of the body, disability
- Sexualities, desire, pornography
- Intimacy, affective turn, emotions
- Subjectivities and experiences

- Queering men and masculinities, sexual identities
- Legacy of masculinity studies, future agenda, feminisms

Confirmed keynote speakers include Michael Kimmel, Jeff Hearn, Elijah C. Nealy and Serpil Sancar.

We invite proposals for individual presentations, panels, poster, film, and photography presentations. In addition to the formal presentations, the conference will also provide a forum setting for graduate students to discuss their work-in-progress. Following the conference, a selection of papers will be published in a special issue of the *Masculinities: A Journal of Identity and Culture*.

Abstracts of up to 300 words for individual papers and 600 words for panel proposals as well as a 100-word biographical note should be sent to [icsmsymposium\[et\]gmail.com](mailto:icsmsymposium[et]gmail.com) by 30 March 2014. Graduate students who wish to take part in the forum discussions should send a 300-word description of their research and a 100-word biographical note. Notification of acceptance will be made by 02 May 2014. The registration fee for the conference is 70 € and 40 € for graduate students. Five conference fee waivers will be granted for graduate students based on need and merit.

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