Call for Papers:

21\textsuperscript{ST} CENTURY FEMINIST PRAXES, ONTOLOGIES AND MATERIALITIES

Central European University – Budapest
13\textsuperscript{th}-14\textsuperscript{th} May 2016

Confirmed Keynote Speaker: Nina Lykke, Linköping University

The 21st century is witnessing profound shifts in the way feminist scholars look at geopolitical, ethical, technoscientific and ontological categories as well as how these affect everyday life. This is leading to a re-evaluation of the way how feminism approaches and impacts individual lived experience, social and artistic movements, and scholarly debates.

This multidisciplinary conference seeks to establish dialogue between feminist researchers and/or activists whose work is immersed in everyday life and/or fosters contemporary approaches and methodologies to both feminist theory and practice. Our intellectual endeavor is to open up a debate in which the varied ontologies and praxes grounded in 21\textsuperscript{st} century feminism(s) are explored, examined, and brought into conversation with diverse empirical and theoretical concerns.
Possible topics might include but are not limited to:

- Challenging cultural boundaries through arts
- Mapping (im)mobility in and through literature
- Critical approaches to gender in performance, and musical practices and discourses
- Visual representations of the gendered non/human body
- Feminist performativity in new media

MA and PhD students, as well as recent graduates and early stage researchers are invited to apply. Submissions may be for either individual papers or pre-formed panels. We also welcome artistic contributions such as works of fiction, visual materials, posters, short films, music and other art performances. Abstracts should be no longer than **250 words** and should come with a short biography in narrative format up to **100 words**. Presentations should be 20 minutes long and delivered in English.

Pre-formed panels may have between 3 and 4 contributors. Panel submissions should include a title for the panel, a short abstract for the panel, as well as the abstracts and bios for each of the presenting authors.

Submissions and inquiries should be sent to **21CFPOM@gmail.com**. The extended deadline for abstract submissions is **15th February 2016**. Applicants will receive a response regarding their submission by 5th February 2016.

**Finances and logistics**

*The 21st Century Feminist Praxes, Ontologies and Materialities* conference is organized by doctoral students in Comparative Gender Studies at Central European University, Budapest, Hungary. We can provide limited financial aid, and assistance with finding accommodation, as well as help with arranging visas. If you would like to apply for financial aid, please send a **brief motivation letter of no more than 300 words** with your application.

**Conference registration fees:**

Financial aid recipients: none
Graduate students: € 20
Faculty: €50