

## Invitation

# Climate justice voted out globally?

**Renata Schmidtkunz in dialogue with:**  
Moema Miranda, Donna Andrews and Tessa Khan  
on their transnational engagement for environmental and social justice

Date: **Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017**  
Time: **6.00–8.00 p.m.** (18.00-20.00h)

Place: **Otto Mauer Zentrum**  
**Währingerstr. 2-4 /22 (Mezzanin), 1090 Vienna**  
(close to Schottentor)

Facilitator: **Renata Schmidtkunz**, journalist  
Language: English

Moema Miranda (Brasil), Donna Andrews (South Africa) and Tessa Khan (Australia/Thailand/Mexico) are academics and activists who advocate for decent living conditions for all in a sound environment. Though their aims are similar, their individual approaches and the region-specific contexts and options for action vary.

In dialogue with the journalist Renata Schmidtkunz, the three women will share their experiences from different continents, starting with their personal enrolment in the environmental movements in Latin America, Africa and Asia up to current challenges.

### **Background:**

More than three decades of neoliberal politics have strengthened the power of large transnational companies, promoted the exploitative use of natural resources, and weakened the regulatory competencies of states. This has resulted in a massive destruction of the environment, a climate crisis and high levels of social injustice. In many places, this trend comes along with a rise of authoritarian movements and a backlash of social and democratic achievements. In Austria, the Green party has just lost the recent elections dramatically and was kicked out of parliament. Worldwide, the rights of socially disadvantaged people, minorities and women are under attack.

Activists like Moema Miranda, Donna Andrews and Tessa Khan stand against these offences. Looking at global power relations and power shifts, Renate Schmidtkunz will explore the concrete challenges in the different contexts the three activists engage in. Which alternatives do social movements - of which Miranda, Andrews and Khan are part of - develop and promote? What does feminist, social and environmental engagement need to be successful, according to their perceptions? What are their sources of inspiration? Which structural challenges do they see today, and how can transnational activism look like?

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