

FEMINIST ACTIVISM AND SOLIDARITY ACROSS BORDERS

Chandra Talpade Mohanty in conversation with Nikita Dhawan

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How to build alliances across borders without entrenching hegemonic feminist agendas or paternalizing those interpellated as receivers of solidarity? What challenges do postcolonial, decolonial, queer, feminists face in reconciling the personal with the political, the local with the global? Can norms of freedom and justice be reappropriated from neoliberal and neoconservative forces? What kind of epistemological insights and ethical practices do anticapitalist, antiracist feminist struggles of women of color from the Global South draw on? How is transnational feminist politics transformed through an engagement with postcolonial and decolonial feminist genealogies and intersectional methodology? Drawing on cross-generational histories of feminist activism, Chandra Talpade Mohanty will discuss her recent book co-edited with Linda E. Carty „Feminist Freedom Warriors: Genealogies, Justice, Politics, and Hope“ with Nikita Dhawan and address the challenges facing economic, anti-racist, social justice, and anti-capitalist struggles across national borders.

Chandra Talpade Mohanty is Distinguished Professor of Women's and Gender Studies and Dean's Professor of the Humanities at Syracuse University. She studied English in New Delhi and Education in Illinois. Her work focuses on transnational feminist theory, anti-capitalist feminist praxis, anti-racist education, and the politics of knowledge. Central to her transnational mission is the project of building a „non-colonizing feminist solidarity across the borders,“ through an intersectional analysis of race, nation, colonialism, sexuality, class and gender. Chandra Talpade Mohanty has taught at universities in Europe, Asia, Africa and Latin America.

Nikita Dhawan is Professor of Political Science and Gender Studies at the University of Gießen. She studied Philosophy, German Studies and Women's Studies in Mumbai. Nikita Dhawan's Research and Teaching expertise is in Transnational Feminism, Global Justice, Human Rights, Democracy and Decolonisation. Her work aims to trace an alternative postcolonial-queer-feminist history of ideas of key equality, rights, freedom and emancipation. From 2014 till 2018, she was University Professor of Political Theory and Gender Studies at the University of Innsbruck.

Small refreshments will be served.

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