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*Empirisch forschen in der Psychologie*

Prof. Dr. Felicia Pratto

“Insights about Power from Studying Gender “

Date and Location:
Tuesday, 4th December 2018
16:00 – 18:00 c.t.
Room M 001

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Abstract:
For decades, no theories of intergroup relations addressed gender. In this talk I explain why social dominance theory incorporates gender along with other forms of intergroup inequalities to account for why many societies maintain group-based inequality, even when it contradicts their stated values. I then detail that work to describe what domains of power are gendered, and some of the non-obvious consequences of that analysis for men's and women's outcomes. Expanding the gendered power analysis further, I propose a new theory of power dynamics, power basis theory, and a dynamic ecological theory about the relationship between needs and context. The theories are illustrated with comparative studies concerning politics and health, employment discrimination studies, surveys, and dynamic experimental games.

Bio:
Prof. Pratto's research addresses the processes and consequences of inequality. Thus, her work is known in social psychology, political psychology, and related disciplines. Her research has addressed a variety of real-world issues, including race- and sex- discrimination in hiring, prejudice against lesbians, gay men, and immigrants, violations of International Humanitarian Law in war-time, terrorism and counter-terrorism, and the Arab uprisings. She uses a wide variety of research methods, from interactive games, to lab and field experiments, to international surveys and comparative studies (which compare different societies systematically). She is co-author of the book Social Dominance, and more recently, of Power Basis Theory.

The lecture will be held in English.