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FIRST CIRCULAR

IIº INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE – Territorios de la Memoria

IIº International Conference “Territorios de la Memoria-España”

***WOMEN'S FIGHT, REPRESSIVE MEASURES AND
RESISTANCE. WALKING TOWARDS EQUALITY***

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1) GENERAL OBJECTIVES:

- Since the birth of the feminist movement, there have been practices starring women who were themselves forms of alternative and / or resistance.
- From a transnational and interdisciplinary perspective, this Conference aims to make known and work in all its dimensions the different forms of resistance throughout history. Therefore, special emphasis will be placed on making women's struggles visible, such as the role of women in resistance to totalitarianism or the importance of the movement in today, to reach a deeply democratic and egalitarian society.

This Conference wants to investigate the origins of these expressions and movements to understand the evolution they have had to this day.

2) SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

A.

- Highlight the need for feminist struggle as a means of social transformation that eliminates the inequalities created by patriarchy as a form of secular organization.

- In this section it is essential to know not only the advances made by women and their forms of struggle, but also to give relevance to the means of which power has been used throughout history to counteract any advancement of women in their emancipation:

- La *querelle des femmes* (from the Middle Ages to the interwar period); with the participation of women in the debate, the voices of women are made public, acquiring a dimension of reality that gives equal power and legitimacy.
- The first feminist movements (Suffragist, pacifism).
- The connection of Spanish feminism with international feminism.
- The contribution of the labor movement and other political options to feminism in Spain from the Second Republic to the dictatorship.
- Archives and files. New methodological challenges for the study of women's resistance.

B.

- Highlight the setback that occurred in Spain with the Franco dictatorship regarding the advances experienced by women in the first decades of the twentieth century, particularly during the Second Republic.

- Analyze different forms of resistance (visible and invisible) of women during the civil war and Francoism (Democratic Women's Movement, Grouping of Anti-Fascist Women in the rearguard, Free Women, International Red Relief, International Anti-Fascist Solidarity ...).

- Give a name to some women as a symbol of recognition of the role played by so many women who had a leading role in the fight against the dictatorship and who have been forgotten (Tomasa Cuevas, María Lejárraga, Belén Sárraga, Leonor Serrano and Pablo, Regina Lake Garcia, Matilde Huici).

- Extend the analysis of women's struggle and resistance to other societies, outside the scope of Western culture, especially in those where their situation threatens human rights or they find themselves in situations of special conflict.

C.

- It is crucial to place the situation of women during the transition as the main theme of the Conference. There is no doubt that the exit from the dictatorship opened its participation to all areas of society, from which they had been excluded. From the political militancy and the new feminist organizations, Spanish women joined the challenges that had already been addressed outside our country and the new challenges of feminism.

- From the perspective of the Historical Memory it is essential that the analysis leads us to evaluate of the situation of women in today's society: the new challenges and the old dangers renewed with special force in response to feminist advances.
- Emphasize the fundamental role of feminism as a political philosophy in today's democracy.

D.

- To continue advancing in the study of this subject it is necessary that we know in depth the means we have and how to approach the study of memory records (written and oral).

This FIRST CIRCULAR aims to inform about the opening of the call for the presentation of proposals for the panel discussions (workshops), which will be developed within the program planned for the Conference. Therefore, we look forward to hearing the various suggestions before submitting the final program. From the organization we launch the following ideas, of an indicative nature, for the possible panels, and proposals may arise outside the proposed axes, provided that they agree with the theme of the Conference.

GUIDING THEME PROPOSALS FOR THE CONFORMATION OF PANEL DISCUSSIONS (WORKSHOPS)

- Women persecution
- *Querelle des femmes*: women's complaints
- The construction of the image of women. Fashion, stereotypes, gender roles, alternative ways of being a woman
- The feminist struggle in other cultures
- Intersectional feminisms: black feminisms, transfeminisms, queer, etc.
- Women and subordinated groups. Women and working class, women in armed struggle, women in social movements, women in resistance and liberation processes
- The role of women in the processes of reconciliation and post-conflict (re)construction
- Women and exiles
- Women in education, science, culture, intellectuality and the media
- Women as historical subjects, political and social agents. The great forgotten: sources and methodology
- Women and dictatorships: between acceptance and resistance
- Challenges for equality. Gender perspective in education, culture and the media
- Feminism and feminisms: transnational networks
- Violence against women. Women and human rights. The current situation

WORKSHOP PROPOSALS

Those interested in raising a panel discussions (workshops) may do so **until December, 30th 2019**, by sending them to the email address segundo.congreso.tdm@uva.es . Before January 26th, the Organizing Committee will publish a list, with the approved workshop tables and the coordinators of each of them.

The proposals of panels discussions, which will arrive in .docx format, must indicate the name of the coordinator, academic affiliation, email, contact telephone number, title, description of contents (maximum of 500 words) and five keywords.

The panels will have a maximum of two coordinators. Depending on the initial panel proposals received and subsequent papers, the Organizing Committee may group or separate different proposals. For the proper functioning of the Conference, it will be essential that each table-workshop has a minimum of five papers. Otherwise, the Organizing Committee reserves the possibility of reorganizing the panels.

Once the workshops have been selected, the **SECOND CIRCULAR** will be published, in which more details will be given about the Conference, the accepted panels, rules and other information of interest.

Cordially,

The Organizing Committee