

Network report EASA 2015
Anthropology of Gender and Sexuality (NAGS)
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Since our inaugural panel at the 2014 EASA conference in Tallinn, we have set up a mailing list which we are encouraging people to use more frequently, with some results: <http://lists.easaonline.org/listinfo.cgi/genderandsexuality-easaonline.org>

We are looking forward to intensifying our network the coming year at EASA, perhaps creating working groups around particular topics, and mobilizing support to start using social media.

Last summer, Anna Fedele and Kim Knibbe organized a panel at the IAHR conference in Erfurt titled "the role of gender in the distinctions between religion, secularity and spirituality", which generated quite a lot of interest.

We are in the process of starting a book series related to the EASA network.

Starting in January 2016, Kim Knibbe, one of the convenors of the networks, and Rachel Spronk, a founding member of the network, will be leading a 5 year research programme funded by the Netherlands Foundation for Scientific Research (NWO) on Sexuality, Religion and Secularism, Cultural Encounters in the African Diaspora in the Netherlands. The project will be based at Groningen University and the University of Amsterdam. We are in the process of recruiting PhD candidates and a post-doc for this project, and will maintain a mailing list to keep interested parties up to date on events organised as part of the programme. If you wish to sign up, e-mail k.e.knibbe@rug.nl

Starting in January 2016, Anna Fedele, the other convenor of the network started a 5 year research project funded by the Portuguese foundation for science and technology entitled: "Fatima, one century after the apparitions: pilgrimage, gender and lived religion". The project will be based at the Lisbon University Institute.