

Tue Nov 14, 2023 | 4.15pm | Altensteinstr. 48 | seminar room 010

INVITATION

We are pleased to invite you to the talk by

Dr. Anke Lipinsky

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„Gender-based violence in higher education and research –
quantitative and qualitative findings from a multi-site study“

All guests are cordially invited to drinks and snacks afterwards.

*Hosted by Einstein Prof. Kathrin Zippel, PhD
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The EU-funded research project “Gender-based violence and institutional responses” (UniSAFE) implemented a multi-level and multi-site research design in the years 2021-2024. A large-scale web survey formed a key part of the research and gathered data from 46 higher education and research organizations in 15 countries in Europe. Complementary to the quantitative study, the research team conducted 54 semi-structured interviews with staff who experienced gender-based violence at work. In her presentation, Anke Lipinsky will present key findings from the UniSAFE research, including conceptual novelties that helped to advance knowledge in this field. Findings show that about two in three people in higher education and research experience gender-based violence during their affiliation. One in three people experience sexual harassment. This holds true for both staff and students. Compared to men, women and nonbinary people show more and more recurring experiences of violence. Different forms of violence overlap and occur jointly. While 23% of victimized staff report an incident, only 7% of victimized students do report. The most frequent reason for not reporting incidents lies in the uncertainty about whether the aggression was serious enough. Victimized people report failures of existing policies in higher education, which adds to the already far-reaching impacts on well-being, study, and career progress.

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Dr. Anke Lipinsky, senior researcher at GESIS Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, Team CEWS. Anke’s research focuses on gender inequalities in academia, policy evaluation and research methods, and gender-based violence, including sexual harassment. She collaborated in EU-funded projects, e.g. INSPIRE, UniSAFE, GEECCO, GenPORT, and INTEGER, a member of several European Commission expert groups, including the Gendered Innovations group. Anke is PI of the quantitative survey of UniSAFE, she is a co-speaker of the German Evaluation Society’s working group on gender mainstreaming and a member of the international network on women in higher education management WHEM.

