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LINKING RESEARCH, POLICY AND PRACTICE 2023 CONFERENCE PROGRAMME // 2ND NOVEMBER

12.00 - 13.00: Lunch/Arrival

13.00 - 13.05: Welcome and Introduction

13.05 - 13.10: Opening Remarks

13.20 - 14.20: Round 1 of parallel thematic presentations and moderated Q&A

Session 1.A: Menstrual Health and Safe Abortion

Session 1.B: Sexual and Reproductive Rights and Inclusion

14.35 - 15.25: Round 2 of parallel thematic presentations and moderated Q&A

Session 2.A: Reproductive and Maternal Health

Session 2.B: Gender-based Violence

15.40 - 16.20: Plenary - Keynote presentation and Reflection

By Evi van den Dungen, Rutgers

16.20 - 17.00: Networking - Know the Dutch SRHR Organizations

17.00 - 17.05: Closing remarks

17.00 - 18.00: Drinks and Networking (cont'd)



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HANNAH KABELKA

With a background in education policy, Hannah Kabelka is an enthusiastic sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) advisor and researcher at the KIT Royal Tropical Institute focusing. Her focus is on youth, SRHR and comprehensive sexuality education.

Within KIT projects, she steers the use of innovative and participatory research methods and facilitates learning and co-creation processes with students and partners.

Prior to joining KIT, Hannah worked as project manager in the non-formal education sector in Austria, engaged in gender policy analysis with the UNESCO IIEP in Buenos Aires and created online learning journeys for War Child Holland.

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PLENARY – KEYNOTE AND REFLECTION

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EVI VAN DEN DUNGEN

Evi is the Senior Advisor Global Advocacy at Rutgers and her portfolio covers the intergovernmental processes in New York and Geneva.

She has been an NGO member of the Netherlands delegation for the UN Commission on Population and Development. She is involved in the programmatic work of Rutgers in different partnerships Right Here Right Now and Power to You(th) (active in Africa and Asia) where she provides support on global advocacy and human rights mechanisms. Before she worked in Dutch and European politics and completed an LLM in International Security.

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SESSION 1.A: MENSTRUAL HEALTH AND SAFE ABORTION

Moderated by Nicole Sophr

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SESSION 1.B: SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS AND INCLUSION

Moderated by Michal Pawlega

Raadzaal / Council Room



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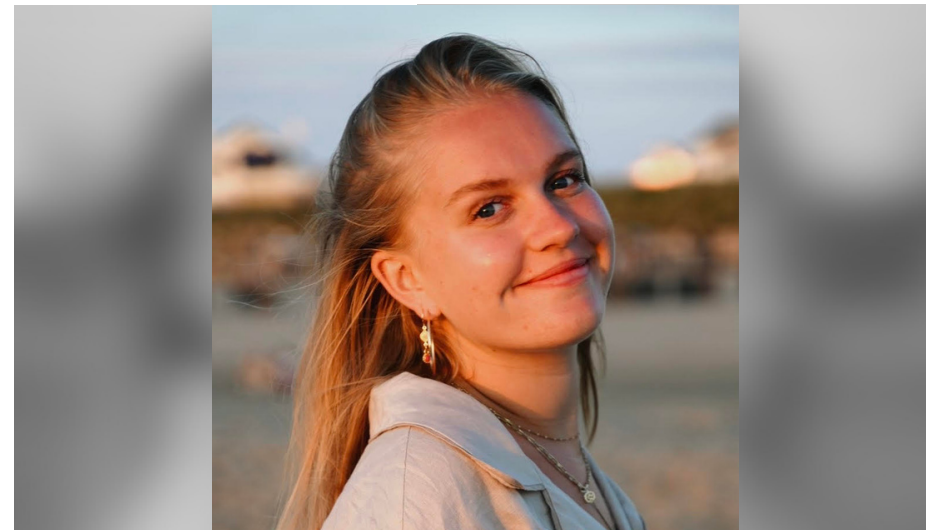
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FIEN DE RIDDER

Utrecht University

Resilience without Agency: How women in Bali and East Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia navigate their menstruation within their embedded and embodied environment



LIV WAGE

Universiteit van Amsterdam

“If I can’t bleed that is the problem”:
Menstrual narratives in Bali



ROMY VAN DEN DUNGEN

**Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam,
Women on Web, King's College London**

“The abortion gave me my life back”:
Women’s long-term experiences with telemedicinal abortion in legally restricted countries

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FIEN DE RIDDER

Utrecht University

I am Fien de Ridder, a recent Dutch Cultural Anthropology graduate! With a passion for travelling and with a background in Humanities, I am interested in researching people, their culture and environment. My keen focus lies in public health, particularly focusing on women's rights and well-being.

**Research Title // “If I can’t bleed that is the problem”:
Menstrual narratives in Bali**

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LIV WAGE

Universiteit van Amsterdam

I am Liv Wage and reside and study in Amsterdam. I am a medical student halfway through my training. Last year, my profound interest in the body beyond its individual functioning drew me to the masters Medical Anthropology at the UVA, which I recently completed.

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ROMY VAN DEN DUNGEN

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam Amsterdam, Women on Web, King's College London

I am a driven researcher with a Master's in International Public Health and a nursing background. As a research volunteer at Women on Web, I gather and study global narratives on abortion access and its impact on women's lives.

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legally restricted countries**

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**Liliane Fonds, Erasmus University
Rotterdam – International Institute of
Social Studies**

Unravelling Intersectional Barriers:
Access to Sexual and Reproductive
Health Services for Women with
Disabilities in Uganda



HEDDA LUURSEMA

Rijksuniversiteit Groningen

Advancing the position of women and
girl's human rights to WASH through
increasing their participation in locally-
led adaptation initiatives



JULIANA BELTRAN GRISALES

**Erasmus University Rotterdam –
International Institute of Social Studies**

Legal mobilization for the legal and
social decriminalization of abortion in
Colombia

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Liliane Fonds, International Institute of Social Studies – Erasmus University Rotterdam

As a dedicated master's student at the ISS, I specialize in Gender and Women Studies with a major in Social Policy for Development. My background includes experience in diverse, cross-cultural settings, where I've honed exceptional communication and writing skills. My passion lies in leveraging innovative solutions and fostering collaboration to address social dynamics that perpetuate poverty, particularly within the context of gender and development.

Research Title // Unravelling Intersectional Barriers: Access to Sexual and Reproductive Health Services for Women with Disabilities in Uganda

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HEDDA LUURSEMA

Rijksuniversiteit Groningen

My name is Hedda Luursema, I'm a Population Studies Masters student at the University of Groningen. I'm currently writing my thesis jointly with Simavi. My biggest interest are International Development issues, and my goal is to represent the small against the big!

Research Title // Advancing the position of women and girl's human rights to WASH through increasing their participation in locally-led adaptation initiatives

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SESSION 2.A: REPRODUCTIVE AND MATERNAL HEALTH

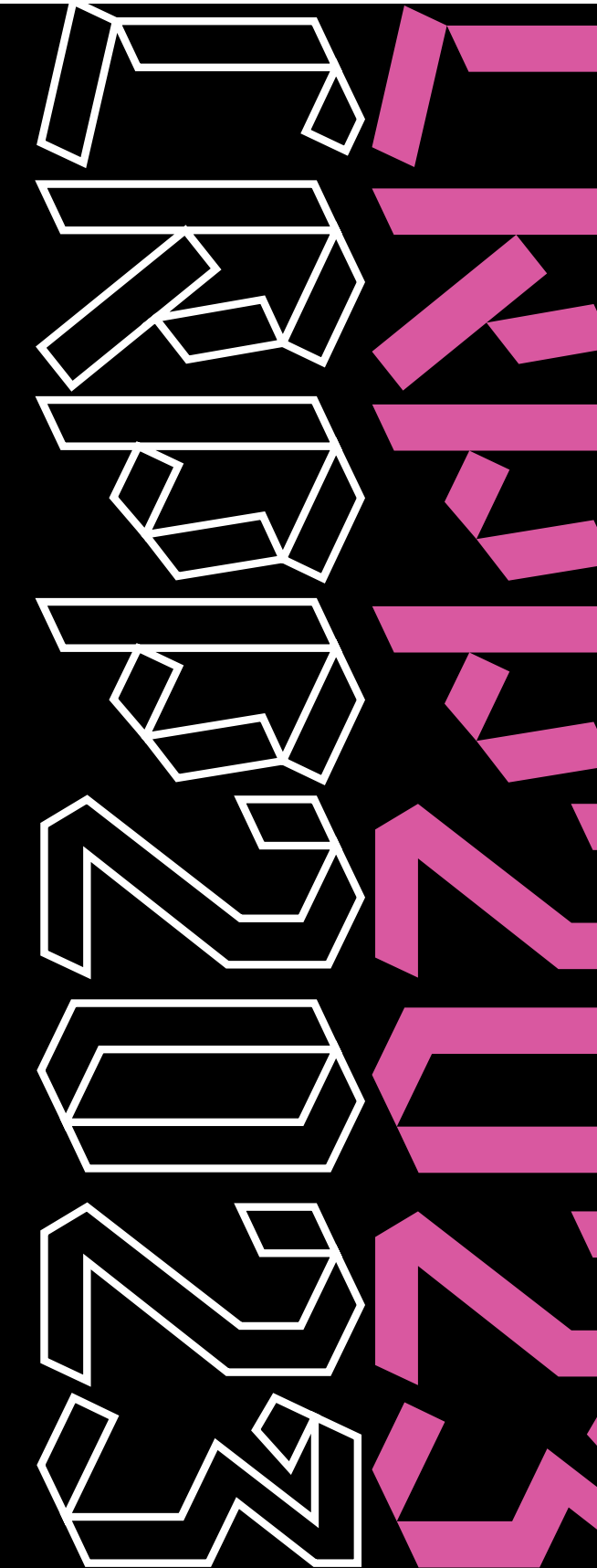
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MARAH ABDELAZIZ

KIT Royal Tropical Institute

Facilitators and Barriers to Accessing Maternal Health Services in Sudan: A Literature Review



HAIYUE SHAN

Vrije University Amsterdam

Understanding the relationship between maternity care providers and middle-class Chinese migrant women in the Netherlands

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MARAH ABDELAZIZ

KIT Royal Tropical Institute

Marah Abdelaziz, a dedicated researcher with a Master of Public Health with distinction from the Royal Tropical Institute, is an advocate for women's empowerment and equity. Her extensive experience in the Federal Ministry of Health and NGOs in Sudan fuels her commitment to ensuring equal access to quality healthcare, particularly in maternal health.

Research Title // Facilitators and Barriers to Accessing Maternal Health Services in Sudan: A Literature Review.

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HAIYUE SHAN

Vrije University Amsterdam



Haiyue Shan (Fiona) is a postdoctoral researcher in the Department of Public and Occupational Health at the Amsterdam Medical Center. Her current research focus is risk communication of infectious diseases for underserved populations. Her PhD research aimed at exploring Chinese migrant women's maternal mental well-being in the Netherlands, maternity care services, postpartum depression, prenatal screening, and ethnic minority's accessibility to health care. Before her moving to the Netherlands, she focused on suicide research and prevention, and suicide notes analysis among youth in Hong Kong.

Research Title // Understanding the relationship between maternity care providers and middle-class Chinese migrant women in the Netherlands

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From extortion to murder: health implications of technology-facilitated gender based violence on women and LGBTQ+ people in Egypt, and barriers toward help-seeking



MAUDE MENSAH

Van Hall Larenstein University of Applied Sciences

“I have the right to say YES or NO but ___”: A qualitative study exploring beliefs of young males and females regarding sexual consent in Kibera Slum, Kenya

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AE

AE is an African Arab feminist researcher and development practitioner. They have spent the past five years actively researching and managing health programs aimed at addressing (gender) disparities in healthcare access and quality. Their current interests and work lie at the intersection of health, gender, violence, and technology. In particular, they are concerned about understanding how digital technologies are impacting the health of population in majority countries.

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MAUDE MENSAH

Van Hall Larenstein University of Applied Sciences

Maude Hemiende Mensah is a devoted Liberian researcher and educator, that is deeply committed to youth development and combating sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV). Leveraging her background as a classroom teacher and SRHR facilitator, she pioneers change through innovative research methodologies in urban and rural African communities. Maude is passionate about fostering positive change, exemplifying her commitment to a brighter future for young people.

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