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**The Symposium takes place at Madonnensaal,
Faculty of Theology, Karl-Rahner-Platz 3**

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The location is barrier-free for wheel chair users;
for those who are hard of hearing portable FM tools will be provided.

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FRIDAY 23 OPENING OF THE SYMPOSIUM

9.00 – 9.45 **Welcome & Opening to the Symposium:**
Prof. Flynn-Wilson (New Orleans University), Prof. Guenter Bischof (Center Austria, New Orleans University), Prof. Kim Long (New Orleans University) Rektor Prof. Märk (Universität Innsbruck), Prof. Pfahl (Universität Innsbruck)

9.45 – 11.45 **I. Families & Disability: Parents, Parenthood, and Children**
Rannveig Traustadottir (University of Iceland): Families of Children with Disabilities
Swantje Köbsell (Alice-Salomon-Hochschule Berlin): Women with Disabilities and Parenthood

11.45 – 13.15 Lunch Break

13.15 – 14.15 **II. Intervention Strategies with Families of Young Children with Disabilities**
Philip Strain (University of Colorado): Lessons Learned through Intervention Research with Families of Young Children with Challenging Behaviours

14.15 – 14.45 Coffee Break

14.45 – 16.45 **III. Care for Family Members with Disabilities (in Parallel Sessions A & B)**

A) Women with Disabilities and Gender Roles in Parenting
MODERATION Maria Wolf
Judith Tröndle (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin): Gender Roles of Parents with a Child with Disabilities
Theresa Straub (Universität Innsbruck): Mothers with Disabilities and their Relationship with their Children
Agnieszka Krol (Jagiellonian University Kraków): Women with Disabilities and Reproductive Justice in Poland

B) Parenting Young Children with Challenging Behaviours, Autism, and Disabilities
MODERATION Christine Riegler
Jaclyn Josef (University Colorado Denver): Challenging Behaviours of Toddlers and the Influence on Families
Carolyn Shivers, Libbie Sonnier-Netto, & Gloria Lee-Volker (Virginia Tech Center for Autism Research): Needs among Family Caregivers of Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder
Seyda Subasi (Universität Wien, Austria): What is Stressful, What is Not? Perceptions of Families

16.45-17.00 Short Break

17.00 – 18.00 **IV. Care-Relations in Families**
Janice McLaughlin (University of Newcastle, UK): Care Relations in Families with Disabilities

18.00 – 20.00 Reception with "Uni Big Band" (Jazz & Co.) & Finger Food

SATURDAY 24 CONTINUING THE SYMPOSIUM

9.00– 10.15 **Introduction & Overview of Day 2**
Harriet Able (University of North Carolina): Improving Family and Individual's Quality of Life

10.15 – 12.30 **V. Families, Inclusion & Education (in Parallel Sessions C & D)**
C) Empirical Studies on Women, Disabled X-Servicemen, and Family Resilience
MODERATION Flavia Guerrini
Ugo Pavan Dalla Torre (Università Turin): Historical Perspective of X-Servicemen from WWI and Families in Italy
Sadia Akbar (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin): Family Appraisals of their Daughters with Physical Disabilities in Pakistan
Tobias Buchner (querraum Wien): Interplay of Students with Disabilities, their Parents, & Mainstream Schools
Joachim Nyoni (University of Cape Town): Participatory Action Research on Family Needs and Available Services for Zambian Families of Children with ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder)

D) Citizenship, Transition of Students, and Life Plans
MODERATION Sascha Plangger
Natalia Pamula (University Buffalo): Relationship between Family, Disability, and Citizenship under State Socialism in Poland
Michael Rasell (University of Lincoln) Parent Support Groups, Social Rights and Interdependence in Russia
Hendrik Trescher (Goethe-Universität Frankfurt): The Role of the Birth Family for People with an Intellectual Disability
Helga Fasching, Katharina Felbermayr, & Astrid Hubmayer (Universität Wien): Collaboration with Families for Inclusion in Educational Transition

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch Break

13.30 – 15.15 **VI. Visibility & Intersectionality of Families with Disabilities**
MODERATION Petra Flieger
Elizabeth Steed, Alissa Rausch, & Erin Barton (University Colorado Denver): Intersectionality – Disability, Race, and Early Childhood: Applying Intersectionality to Understand Inclusion for Families
Sue Bacher: Alone in the mountains. Being a woman in a foreign country and raising a family with disability issues
Clemens Dannenbeck (PH Landshut): Can parents speak? Questioning the Role of Parents

15.15 – 15.45 Coffee Break

15.45– 17.45 **VII. Round Table on Family Support in Austria in German Language (see Flyer)**

17.45– 18.00 **Closing of the Symposium**
from 19.30 on Informal Get Together at Hotel Nala

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Information on Keynotes

Prof. Able (University of North Carolina, USA) will focus on autism as a lifelong disability requiring continual service and supports to ensure success for both the individual with autism and the family. The effects of disability on family quality of life will be highlighted along with strategies to promote successful adult outcomes for individuals with high functioning autism. A summary of interviews with adolescents with autism and their families regarding their future aspirations will be provided. An emphasis on the elements required for a family-focused transition process will be described.

Prof. Köbsell (Alice-Salomon-Hochschule Berlin, Germany) will provide information about the history and current practices of women with disabilities in Germany. Historically, women were denied motherhood and were seen as unfit for parenting - first for eugenic reasons, later becoming a mother and being judged as irresponsible and burdening the children. Until the early 1990s, women with disabilities were sterilized, often without their consent. With a new law on legal guardianship in 1992, sterilization became illegal and motherhood an option in Germany. Since then, many initiatives have been developed which support mothers/parents with disabilities - but still the right to procreate often is contested. It is a human right and considered as such by the United Nations CRPD, which has been a driving force in Germany since 2009.

Prof. McLaughlin (University of Newcastle, UK) will describe the care relationships in families of children with disabilities. This discussion will explore how interdependency is a helpful way of thinking about care, rather than the assumption that the child is a burden to the family and potentially not perceived as a caregiver within those family relationships. She will discuss how interdependency draws the public and private sectors together as well as how it helps to rethink care in families and society.

Prof. Strain (University of Colorado, USA) will focus on important intervention strategies that have been associated with rapid, durable, and socially valid changes in child behaviour, parenting behaviour, and family quality of life. These important strategies include: eliminating stigmatizing, logistical, and economic barriers to support; providing peer-to-peer opportunities; determining the length and intensity of intervention for maximum outcomes; providing supplemental health services and related supports when necessary; and assessing long-term impacts for families and society.

Prof. Traustadottir (University of Iceland) will discuss her personal journal and scholarly experiences as a result of thirty years of research with families of children with disabilities. Her approach has been to combine gender and disability perspectives in working toward social change and social justice. Much of her research examines the intersection of disability and other categories of inequality and how these create multiple layers of discrimination and social exclusion in the lives of people who have a disability with a particular emphasis on preventing violence against women who are disabled. She will discuss some of the lessons learned and challenges in the future.

Fachdiskussion

„Welche Unterstützung brauchen Familien mit Behinderung?“

Teil des Symposiums Families, Rights, & Disability
am 24.6.2017 von 15.45-18.00 Uhr

Im Zentrum des Fachaustauschs steht die Frage welcher Angebote es bedarf, um Menschen mit Behinderungen *und* ihre Familien zu unterstützen. Wie können behinderte Menschen unterstützt werden, so dass sie als Familienmitglieder handlungsfähig werden? Welcher Unterstützungsangebote bedürfen Angehörige, damit Familienmitglieder in ihren unterschiedlichen Rollen als Kind, Mutter, Vater, Geschwister, Partner/-in gestärkt werden?

Die Podiumsdiskussion soll einen Austausch zwischen Betroffenen, Eltern, Fachkräften und den Ausbildungsgängen ermöglichen. Ziel ist es, vorhandene Ansätze kennenzulernen und den Bedarf an Angeboten auszuloten, der auf Unterstützung von Individuen in Familien zielt.

Podiumsdiskussion mit

Katja Rief (Via Nova): Elternperspektive

Beate Klausner-Walter (PH Tirol): Ausbildungsperspektive

Volker Schönwiese (ao. Prof. i.R.) Betroffenenperspektive

Moderation: Angela Woldrich (Bidok) und Lisa Pfahl (Uni Innsbruck)

Lehr-/Forschungsbereich Disability Studies & Inklusive Bildung gemeinsam mit BiDok e.V.

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Die Veranstaltung ist barrierefrei zugänglich & wird in Österreichische Gebärdensprache übersetzt. Es stehen portable FM Geräte zur Verfügung.

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