

Gender-based violence within and beyond borders

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The international community, civil society and individual countries have come to treat gendered violence as a wicked problem in global and domestic politics, viewing it as one of the world's most urgent harms. While women and girls are more likely to be exposed to gendered and sexual violence there has been a recent call for an intersectional approach to such violent practices, taking account of other vulnerable groups, including boys and men exposed to war time rape. There appears to be increasing acceptance that such violence is near endemic, occurring in private and public settings, domestically and internationally. This tells us that gendered violence needs to be studied through a range of lenses and across a variety of national and international contexts, with the five papers on this panel all contributing to feminist knowledge production in relation to gendered violence. All five papers recognize the complexities and entanglements that surround gendered based violence, whether in the context of war and conflict (or peace) or in the everyday lives of individuals, so as to capture such things as intimate partner violence, gendered violence in cyberspace, gendered and racialized violence and feminist resistance to such violence.

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