

## **Base Women and Beyond I: Contemporary feminist research agendas on military/nuclear installations and their discontents.**

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Cythia Enloe's pathbreaking work has illuminated the role of women in the daily operations of military bases. Moreover, Enloe shows how gender ideologies and relationships are key to the national and local legitimisation of such sites, an essential part of what keeps them working –and how challenges to these relationships are often a crucial factor in anti-base mobilisation. This panel seeks to both revitalise Enloe's research agenda and explore critical moves 'beyond' it to better capture and investigate the intricate entanglements of military bases and other sites constituting the nuclear/military industrial complex.

Our thinking for the panel is inspired by recent feminist trajectories on gender and coloniality in the global nuclear order, feminist research into the everyday, affective and embodied politics of war and militarism and multidisciplinary writings on the material, affective and environmental legacies left behind by military and nuclear activity.

Papers contribute and expand the conversation by bringing feminist critical insights into different lifeworlds of military and nuclear installations, their deeply gendered and colonial/racialised underpinnings and on the efforts to undo, challenge and resist their logics, durability and impact.

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