

Jean Monnet Sustainable Development Goals Network Seminar Series

From 2018–2020, the [Jean Monnet Sustainable Development Goals Network](#) Seminar Series will address each of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Each seminar focuses on an individual Goal, offering an opportunity to explore the intent of the Goal, its targets, and some of the initiatives being undertaken to deliver on them. Each seminar will be accompanied by a [Policy Brief](#).



SDG 5: Gender Equality

Tuesday, 28 May 2019, 5:00pm – 6.15pm

RMIT City Campus

Council Chamber, Level 2R, RMIT Building 1
124 La Trobe Street, Melbourne

Sustainable Development Goal 5, *Gender Equality*, aims to ‘Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.’ Amid rising recognition of the impact of gender discrimination on all aspects of life, this seminar will address SDG5 through the lens of both the local and the global.

Panellists

Professor Katherine Johnson

Director, Social and Global Studies Centre, RMIT University

Katherine Johnson joined RMIT as Professor & Director of the Social and Global Studies Centre in August, 2018. Her research is in the field of gender, sexuality and mental health, with specialisms in critical community psychology and psychosocial studies, qualitative, participatory and visual research methods, and interdisciplinary research about LGBTQ lives. Her research collaborations and partnerships focus on improving the lives of LGBTQ+ people and have impacted on social policy and practice, particularly in the field of suicide prevention, mental health and end of life care. Katherine is an Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society, Past Chair of the Psychology of Women and Equalities Section, and a member of the World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH). She is on the Editorial Board of *Feminism and Psychology* and *Feminist Encounters: A journal of critical studies in culture and politics*. She is also series editor with Professor Kath Browne (Maynooth, Ireland) of the Routledge book series, *Transforming LGBTQ Lives*.

Dr Lavinia Hirsu

School of Education, University of Glasgow

Lavinia Hirsu is a Lecturer in the School of Education at the University of Glasgow. Her research and teaching are multidisciplinary as she works at the confluence of digital literacies, theories of cultural diversity and social inclusion, academic writing, and translingual pedagogy. She has recently been involved in a series of international projects, including an AHRC network, Children's Literature in Critical Contexts of Displacement: Exploring how story and arts-based practices create 'safe spaces', as well as a British Academy project, entitled Strengthening Urban Engagement of Universities in Asia and Africa. As part of this project, she has begun developing a gender-focussed research strand together with colleagues from Iran (Lamiah Hashemi) and the Philippines (Prof. Zenaida Quezada-Reyes). This project has evolved into an emergent international network, entitled Workers by Self-Design: Digital Literacies and Women's Changing Roles in Unstable Environments. This network is currently developing a research agenda around the relationship between digital literacies, entrepreneurial training opportunities and women's vulnerabilities in unstable contexts as they move into the workplace.

Light refreshments will be served.

This is a free event.

Registration is essential. To RSVP, click [here](#).

Accessibility Information

An accessibility/mobility access map is available to download [here](#) (please scroll to the end of the webpage). RMIT's Building 1 can be accessed via the adjacent Building 21. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like further information.