



International Expert Symposium:

Comparative and transnational perspectives on technologies of fertility preservation and extension

13th June 2019, De Montfort University Leicester, UK

Symposium Programme

09:30-10:00 – Registration

10:00-10:30 – Welcome & speed networking

10:30-11:00 – Introduction and overview of the debates (Dr Kylie Baldwin)

11:00-12:30 – Session 1: Pathways to freezing: International perspectives. Chair: Kylie Baldwin

Prof Marcia Inhorn, Yale University (USA) (with Daphna Birenbaum-Carmeli)

Egg Freezing and Feminism: An Uneasy Alliance

Dr Zeynep Gurtin, Institute for Women's Health, UCL (UK) (*co-organiser*)

Rewriting motherhood? Egg freezing, solo motherhood and older motherhood in the UK

Dr Nitzan Rimon-Zarfaty, Department for Medical Ethics and History of Medicine, University Medical Center Göttingen (Germany)

"Freezing for the fourth and fifth child"- The usage of social egg freezing among Israeli religious women- An intracultural perspective

12:30-13:30 – Lunch break and informal networking

13:30-15:00 – Session 2: Marketisation of fertility extension, precarity and risk. Chair: Johanna Kostenzer

Dr Sara Lafuente-Funes, Post doctoral researcher at the Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt. (Germany)

Investigating egg freezing in Spain: Some programmatic ideas in the context of a new project around cryotechnologies

Dr Azer Kılıç, Izmir University of Economics (Turkey)

Egg freezing experiences of women in Turkey: between medicalization and marketization

Dr Lucy Van De Wiel, University of Cambridge (UK)

Egg Freezing and the Financialization of Fertility

15:00-15:30 – Afternoon Break

15:30-17:00 Session 3: Fertility preservation and extension in diverse contexts. Chair: Zeynep Gurtin

Prof Daphna Birenbaum-Carmeli, University of Haifa (Israel)
(with Marcia C Inhorn)

“Being a mother was out of the question, but being a father, that’s my greatest dream ever!” Transgender Men Talk about Fertility Preservation

Dr Johanna Kostenzer, Erasmus University Rotterdam
(Netherlands) (*co-organiser*) (with Dr Annelies Bos, Dr Antoinette de Bont, Dr Job van Exel)

Women’s viewpoints and the controversy on “social egg freezing” in the Netherlands. A Q methodology study.

Michel De Proost, PhD Candidate, Free University of Brussels
(Belgium)

Practicing intersectionality in empirical bioethical research: Social egg freezing at the margins of the centre

17.00-17:15 – Closing Remarks

19:00 – Dinner with invited speakers and committee

This event is kindly sponsored by the Foundation for the Sociology of Health and Illness, the British Sociological Association Human Reproduction Study Group and The Centre for Reproduction Research at De Montfort University.

The conference will take place at De Montfort University, Leicester in The Venue. A campus map can be found [here](#).

A number of symposium bursaries and travel grants of up to £50 per person are available for PhD students and early career researchers. Please email the below for more information and to apply.

For more information about the event please contact kbaldwin@dmu.ac.uk

Registration Fees: BSA member £30/ Non-BSA member £30

Online booking via the British Sociological Association website will open soon. In the interim expressions of interest in attending can be made via email to kbaldwin@dmu.ac.uk and places can be reserved.

