2nd Academic Seminar MAP-FGM
“Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting at the intersection of qualitative, quantitative and mixed method research – Experiences from Africa and Europe”

Aim: Discuss the added value of research in the campaign towards abandoning FGM, the do's and don'ts and propose recommendations for researching FGM/C

Dates: Thursday June 8 – Friday June 9 2017

Venue: Hotel Bloom, Rue Royale 250/Koningstraat 250, 1210 Brussels, Belgium
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Programme: Thursday June 8 2017

09.00h – 09.30 Registration and coffee

09.30 – 10.00h Opening session – Chair: Laura Nuño Gómez, Universidad Rey Juan Carlos
Els Leye, project coordinator MAP FGM project of
VUB/RHEA - The MAP-FGM project and seminar
Gily Coene, director RHEA, Centre of Expertise Gender, Diversity and Intersectionality – Aims and research of RHEA
An Van Nistelrooij, European Commission – Daphne Programme
Karin Vanderkerken, Vice Dean Research VUB (TBC)

10.00h – 11.30h Session 1: The crucial role of research on FGM – Chair: Magaly Thill, Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Spain

10.00h – 10.15h Christina Palitto, World Health Organisation, Geneva, Switzerland – Gaps in research on FGM

10.15h – 10.30h Sophie Withaexx, RHEA, Centre of Expertise Gender, Diversity and Intersectionality, Belgium – Researching FGM: the need for an intersectional perspective

10.30h – 10h.45 Tammary Esho, African Coordinating Centre for the Abandonment of FGM/C and Population Council, Kenya - Effectiveness of interventions to end FGM/C

10h45 – 11h.00 Q & A
11.00 – 11.30: Coffee break

11.30 – 12.30h: Session 2: Qualitative research methods to assess influence of migration regarding FGM – Chair: Ricardo Falcão, Instituto Universitário de Lisboa, Portugal

11.30h – 11.45h: Vanja Bergren, Medical Faculty Lund University and Division Global Health, Karolinska Institute, Sweden – Perceptions and experiences of female genital mutilation after migration to Sweden. An explorative study

11.45h – 12.00h: Sandrine Mesplé-Somps & Idrissa Diabate, Institut de Recherche pour le Développement, Paris School of Economics and Université Paris-Dauphine. FGM and migration in Mali. Do migrants transfer social norms?

12.00h – 12.30: Q&A

12.30h – 13.30h: Lunch

13.30 – 14.45h: Session 3: Qualitative research and mixed methods – Chair: Michela Fusaschi, Universita Roma Tre, Italy

13h30 – 13.45: Annemarie Middelburg, Human Rights Law Consultancy, the Netherlands - Fieldwork in Senegal on the transposition of the international human rights framework regarding FGM/C

13.45 – 14h00: Sarah O’Neill, Tropical Institute Antwerp, Belgium – Mixed methods study exploring men’s involvement in FGM in Belgium, the Netherlands and the UK – Belgium

14h00 – 14h15: Gebremariam Kidanu Mele, College of Health Sciences, Mekelle University, Ethiopia - Prevalence and associated factors of FGM in Ethiopia

14h15 – 14h45: Q&A

14h45 – 15h15: Coffee break

15h15 – 15h30: Hazel Barett, Coventry University, UK – Research on behaviour change on FGM in African communities in diaspora
Gbadebo Babatunde, Department of Epidemiology and Medical Statistics, University of Ibadan, Nigeria - Changes in intergenerational attitude to Female Genital Cutting in Nigeria: Lessons learnt from quantitative and qualitative analyses of primary and secondary data

Diana Geraci, Pharos, Centre of Expertise Health Disparities, the Netherlands – Female genital mutilation in Syria? An inquiry into the existence of FGM in Syria

Sioban O’Brien Green, Trinity College Dublin, Trinity Research in Childhood Centre, Ireland – Organising Focus Groups: process and logistics – EIGE FGM risk study in Ireland

Q&A

Closing of first day

Programme Friday June 9 2017

Session 4: Quantitative research and mixed methods

Bettina Shell-Duncan, Department of Anthropology, University of Washington, USA - Considerations on the use and interpretation of survey data on FGM/C (video)

Adriana Kaplan, Wassu-UAB Foundation, Autonomous University Barcelona, Spain - FGM-surveys on knowledge, attitudes and practices KAP in the Gambia

Mai Mahgoub Ziyada, Norwegian Knowledge Centre for Violence and Traumatic Stress Studies, Norway – Estimating the prevalence of female genital mutilation in Norway

Q&A

Coffee break


Nina Van Eekert, University Antwerp, Belgium - The association between women’s status and the medicalization of female genital cutting

Q&A
12h30 – 13.00  Closing session

13h00  Lunch and group photo