

## Call for Papers

The interdisciplinary project **Gender and the Bible** funded by the Austrian Science Fund (FWF) is investigating the role of the Bible in discourses of gender and sexuality among evangelical and Roman Catholic groups in Austria.

An important aspect of the project is to establish it within international academic discourses on gender and religion. We would like to issue a Call for Papers for the conference:

### **(De)Constructing Gender Politics in Contemporary Christian Discourse**

Religious groups have a tendency to take a position on issues regarding gender identities/roles and sexual ethics. In this regard it is noticeable that contemporary Christian groups tend to position themselves along the political rather than the theological divide on questions such as sexuality, gender identity, female leadership, sexual ethics, abortion, and marriage.

We invite papers on discourses of sex(uality) and gender among contemporary Christian groups from various disciplinary perspectives, including Religious Studies, Cultural Studies, Sociology, Biblical Studies, Historical Studies, and Theology.

The conference will take place at the **University of Graz**, Austria, on **4th–5th July 2024**. Presentations and discussion can be in English or German. We would ask for a 30min presentation to allow for 15min discussion. There will then be an opportunity to publish your paper in a conference volume.

Please send a title and a short abstract by 1st March 2024 to [nicole.bauer@uni-graz.at](mailto:nicole.bauer@uni-graz.at).

Thank you for your interest, and we look forward to hearing from you.

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