

Call for Papers: Queer, Feminist Perspectives on Discourses and Practices of Political Violence
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While queer and feminist approaches to political violence have developed as distinct parallels, inclusive understanding and the study of gender must reflect the realities of people's identities, which includes sexuality and gender identity. This workshop bridges feminist and queer studies of violent politics around the world and advances an agenda for intersectional frameworks, subjects, and analyses.

This workshop addresses the conference's invitation to consider pathways toward a more optimistic and transformative global politics by bringing feminist and queer thinking on hope into conversation with questions of agency and intersectional resistance, therefore. This expands on queer and feminist theories of love, hope and justice that have evolved within and beyond the confines of the discipline of International Relations.

While feminist research and policy approaches to political violence have at times operated in some tension with queer approaches there is an emerging literature that brings this praxis together. The challenges highlighted in EWIS 2024's theme, such as armed conflicts, inequality, technological changes, and environmental crises, resonate with the intersections of gender, sexuality, gender identity and violence that our workshop seeks to unravel.

We strive to move beyond conventional frameworks, fostering innovative discussions to create pathways towards a future that embraces diverse forms of feminist and queer political knowledge production.

We invite scholars from all disciplines and methodological approaches to submit papers. We welcome papers that address queer and/or feminist discourses around, approaches to, or practices of political violence; on

- queer targets or subjects of political violence.
- queer responses to political violence.
- conceptual explorations of the tensions, relationships, and/or common ground between queer and feminist engagements on political violence
- studies of queer and feminist resistance

Please submit your abstracts via the EWIS electronic submission system and send a copy to the workshop convenors (Lucy Hall and Meredith Loken) by 5 February 2024.

We encourage our participants—especially those who are doctoral researchers, ECRs, precarious academics — to apply for funding provided by the [EISA Mobility Fund](#). For more information on EWIS 2024, please refer to their [website](#).