

WOMEN RESEARCHERS IN DEVELOPMENT STUDIES: GENDER, ACTIVISM AND GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP TALKS

Come along to the <u>final talk</u> composing this exciting **PGR Seminar Series** to hear from the experience of PhD researchers at Northumbria's Centre for International Development who have been working in inspiring topics related to gender, activism and global citizenship. Cake and coffee will be provided after the talk, all welcome!



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"Affected women's views on change, development and alternatives: large scale mining in the northern Peruvian Andes" INGE BOUDEWIJN

Inge's doctoral research critically analyses the situation of women living in the mining affected region of Cajamarca, Peru. The presence of Yanacocha gold mine, opened in 1992, has contributed to rapid social changes, environmental damage and pollution, and heavy conflicts in the region. These resulted in the halting of a planned mining project, but have further changed how women perceive their region; modernisation and development; and themselves. The work tracks these changes by looking at different scales from the personal to the international, and the way women relate these to their multiple identities. Inge argues that women



interact with this in gendered ways, informed by expectations, tradition, and a *machismo* culture prone to punishing (perceived) transgression of gender roles; situating this within a society that is quickly changing, modernising and 'developing', leading to the creation of idylls of the 'past' and the 'local'. The research aims to contribute to the understanding of how women negotiate their political, local, and gendered identities.

Biography: Inge Boudewijn is a final year PhD student at the Centre for International Development at Northumbria University. Her thesis focuses on women's involvement in anti-mining activism, and how the mine's presence not only influences how women go about their daily lives, but also how they construe the world around them. The research contains qualitative data collected during seven months of fieldwork in northern Peru. Prior to her PhD, Inge worked with several international NGOs.

WHEN? 6th June 2018, 3 - 4 pm (followed by refreshments) **WHERE?** Lipman Building, Room 231 (Northumbria University)

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