

Second International Conference on Singlehood (InCoSin)

14 – 17th December 2023

14th December (Thursday)

3:00 – 3:15 PM (CET)	Opening of the Conference - dr hab. Katarzyna Adamczyk, prof. UAM
3:15 – 5:15	Thematic Session 1: Single individuals in society - stereotypes, prejudices, discrimination Chair: Dries Van Gasse
3:15 - 3:35 PM	<i>Seeing the worst in each other: opinion formation on social media in the context of unsuccessful (online) dating</i> Johanna Lisa Degen (Europa-Universität Flensburg, Germany)
3:35 - 3:55 PM	<i>Structural singlism? An examination of economic security among never-married older adults</i> Deborah Carr (Boston University, USA)
3:55 - 4:15 PM	<i>The relationship between attitudes toward singlehood, marital relationship beliefs and loneliness</i> Gülzade Avcı Çayır (Şükriyelşik Preschool, Turkey), Melek Demir (OndokuzMayıs University, Turkey)
4:15 - 4:35 PM	<i>The singles' plot in Chloe Zhao's "Nomadland"</i> Elizabeth R. Foulke (The Pennsylvania State University, USA)
4:35 – 4:55 PM	<i>Heteronormative pressure to partner engenders greater relationship desire and loneliness among singles</i> Alexandra N. Fisher (The Australian National University, Australia), Lisa C. Walsh (University of California, USA), Victor A. Kaufman (University of California, USA), Yuthika U. Girme (Simon Fraser University, Canada)
4:55 – 5:15 PM	Discussion
5:15 – 5:25 PM	Break
5:25 – 6:10 PM (CET)	Keynote: Yuthika U. Girme (Simon Fraser University, Canada): <i>Single and stigmatized: Understanding the roots and consequences of singlehood stigma</i>
6:10 – 7:50 PM	Symposium: The lives of single people - discriminated or thriving? Chair: Jeewon Oh
6:10 - 6:30 PM	<i>Ironic effects of singlehood stigma</i> Kenneth Tan (Singapore Management University); C.I. Cortland (University of College London, UK)
6:30 - 6:50 PM	<i>"Conceited cat-ladies and selfish man-slobs": Gendered differences in the stereotypes of single women and men</i> Hannah Dupuis (Simon Fraser University, Canada), Yuthika U. Girme (Simon Fraser University, Canada)
6:50 - 7:10 PM	<i>"Do I need to be in a relationship?": Single peoples' endorsement of relationship beliefs exacerbates fears of being single and undermines wellbeing</i> Brittany E. Dennett (Simon Fraser University, Canada), Yuthika U. Girme (Simon Fraser University, Canada)
7:10 – 7:30 PM	<i>Perceived satisfaction in singlehood: A mixed method study of singlehood experiences</i> Jeewon Oh (Syracuse University, USA)



15th December (Friday)

2:10 – 2:55 PM (CET)	Keynote: Dimitri Mortelmans (University of Antwerp, Belgium): <i>Trends in singleness across cohorts</i>
2:55 – 3:00 PM	Break
3:00 - 3:45 PM (CET)	Keynote: Kinneret Lahad (Tel Aviv University, Israel): <i>Towards an affective reading of singlehood: Some suggestions for a new research agenda</i>
3:45 - 5:30 PM	Thematic Session 2: Various aspects of the phenomenon of unwanted celibacy Chair: Katarzyna Adamczyk
3:45 - 4:05 PM	<i>Correlates of 'incel' identification in single adults</i> Amelia Hamilton (Western University, Canada), James Kim (Western University, Canada), Samantha Joel (Western University, Canada)
4:05 - 4:25 PM	<i>Unwanted celibacy among Polish single men in early adulthood</i> Agnieszka E. Łyś (Adam Mickiewicz University, Poland), Tomasz Oleksy (University of Warsaw, Poland), Anna Studzińska (ICAM Toulouse, France)
4:25 - 4:45 PM	<i>The mating psychology of incels (involuntary celibates): Misfortunes, misperceptions, and misrepresentations</i> William Costello (University of Texas, USA)
4:45 - 5:05 PM	<i>The social networking of incels (involuntary celibates)</i> William Costello (University of Texas, USA)
5:05 – 5:30 PM	Discussion
5:30 – 5:45 PM	Break
5:45 – 6:30 PM (CET)	Keynote: Geoffrey MacDonald (University of Toronto, Canada): <i>Putting sex and dating in context in single people's lives</i>
6:30 – 8:15 PM	Thematic Session 3: Satisfaction with singlehood Chair: Elke Claessens
6:30 - 6:50 PM	<i>Who is happy and single? Queering approaches to singlehood</i> Elisabetta Febe Canaletti (University of Toronto, Canada), Geoffrey MacDonald (University of Toronto, Canada)
6:50 - 7:10 PM	<i>Have singles become more satisfied over historical time? A cohort-sequential study</i> Tita Gonzalez Avilés (Friedrich Schiller University Jena, Germany), Janina L. Bühler (Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany), Naemi Brandt (University of Hamburg, Germany), Franz J. Neyer (Friedrich Schiller University Jena, Germany)
7:10 - 7:30 PM	<i>Factors associated with happiness of European single individuals</i> Monika Frydrychowicz (Adam Mickiewicz University, Poland), Magdalena Kotus (Adam Mickiewicz University, Poland), Radosław Trepanowski (Adam Mickiewicz University, Poland), Katarzyna Adamczyk (Adam Mickiewicz University, Poland)
7:30 - 7:50 PM	<i>Age moderates the link between relationship desire and life satisfaction among singles</i> Laetitia Hill Roy (Independent researcher)
7:50 – 8:15 PM	Discussion



16th December (Saturday)

3:45 - 5:30 PM	Thematic Session 4: Singlehood, culture and religion Chair: Agnieszka E. Łyś
3:45 - 4:05 PM	<i>"I have made humanity my family": Socially celebrated ways of being single in India</i> Ketaki Chowkhani (Manipal Academy of Higher Education, India), Saumya Sharma (The English and Foreign Languages University, India)
4:05 - 4:25 PM	<i>On the trails of Romanian never-married singlehood... Following linguistic crumbs</i> Adriana Savu (National University of Political Studies and Public Administration, Romania)
4:25 - 4:45 PM	<i>Varieties of living arrangements. Living alone between French and Italian young adults through a socio-demographic perspective</i> Jenny Rinallo (Aix-Marseille University, France)
4:45 - 5:05 PM	<i>Being single in a mobile academia</i> EaHøg Utoft (Radboud University, Netherlands), Mante Vertelyte (Aarhus University, Denmark), Grace Gao (Northumbria University, UK)
5:05 – 5:30 PM	Discussion
5:30 – 5:45 PM	Break
5:45 – 6:30 PM (CET)	Keynote: Lonneke van den Berg (Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute): <i>Young singlehood: a life-course perspective</i>
6:30 – 7:55 PM	Thematic Session 5: Singlehood and contemporary challenges Chair: Agnieszka E. Łyś
6:30 - 6:50 PM	<i>"I can see how It would affect single people a lot more": Singles and autonormative perceptions of singlehood during the COVID-19 pandemic</i> Moira Armstrong (University of London, UK)
6:50 - 7:10 PM	<i>Changes in mental health due to relationship status during the COVID-19 pandemic in young adults across four countries</i> Dominika Ochnik (Academy of Silesia, Poland)
7:10 - 7:30 PM	<i>The importance of gender culture and work-family balance policies for singlehood</i> Laura Robberecht (University of Antwerp, Belgium), Lonneke van den Berg (Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute, Netherlands), Gert Thielemans (University of Antwerp, Belgium), Ellen Verbakel (Radboud University, Netherlands), Dimitri Mortelmans (University of Antwerp, Belgium)
7:30 – 7:55 PM	Discussion



17th December (Sunday)

2:00 – 2:45 PM (CET)	Keynote: Elyakim Kislev (The Hebrew University, Israel): <i>Theorizing singlehood as an identity</i>
2:45 - 4:30 PM	Thematic Session 6: Singlehood in diverse domains Chair: Dominika Ochnik
2:45 - 3:05 PM	<i>The sex and dating lives of single individuals</i> Anuki Amarakoon (University of Toronto, Canada), Yoobin Park (University of California, USA), Geoffrey MacDonald (University of Toronto, Canada)
3:05 - 3:25 PM	<i>Do singles and individuals in relationships differ in their personality?</i> Elaine Hoan (University of Toronto, Canada), Geoffrey MacDonald (University of Toronto, Canada)
3:25 - 3:45 PM	<i>Perceptions of relationship with God among Christian singles</i> Sebastian Pietrzak (Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, Poland)
3:45 - 4:05 PM	Discussion
4:05 - 4:20 PM	Break
4:20 – 5:05 PM (CET)	Keynote: Jeffrey Brown Jackson (Virginia Tech University, USA): <i>Ambiguous loss in adults experiencing prolonged singlehood</i> Chair: Sebastian Pietrzak
5:05 – 6:35 PM (CET)	Book launch: Ketaki Chowkhani (Manipal Academy of Higher Education, India), Craig Wynne (University of the District of Columbia, USA): <i>Singular Selves: An Introduction to Singles Studies</i>
6:35 PM (CET)	End of Conference