Sustainability, care and gender equality:
Challenges for transforming the public university

Tuesday 25 October 2022
at 11.00 (10.00CET, 09.00GMT)

Invitation to on-line round table
Co-organized by the Sustainability Committee
and the Gender Equality Committee of the University of Crete
Exchange of ideas and knowledge across different academic and social contexts is vital to respond to the many manifestations of ‘careless’ policies that systematically lead to series of crises characterized by their unequal impacts, including the economic and the energy crises, COVID-19, and the refugee crisis.

Distinguished scholars will share with the audience their reflections from long standing research and service across various academic and policy contexts and initiate a public dialogue on:

- How theories of care inform a distinctive understanding of sustainability and gender equality, which enhances the potentials to design more inclusive public policies and to address social and environmental concerns and challenges
- How the administration of universities can support a process of change consistent with the ideas of care by focusing on successful practices or methodologies that link research and education to the needs of their surrounding communities, mobilize their knowledges, and enhance their capacities to shape local responses in a democratic way.

Please join this live streaming event to voice your experience and questions at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87874402026?pwd=ZWhuWnNNUKs30HpKZ1BCWFpJTjdXdz09

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https://youtu.be/I7I0h-bhbyY

Round Table Format

Greetings by the Sustainability Committee and Gender Equality Committee of the University of Crete (5’)
Opening Statement and questions by the Moderator (5’)
Invited speakers (5’ each): Conceptualizing sustainability
Invited speakers (10’ each)- The academic context
Questions from participants and the audience
Responses from the speakers (30’)

Round Table Participants:

**Anguelovski Isabelle**, Research Professor at Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB). Has been trained in urban studies & planning (PhD, MIT, 2011), nonprofit management (Harvard University, 2004), international development (University de Paris-1 Sorbonne, 2001), and political studies (Science Po, 2000). She leads the research line on Cities & Environmental Justice and directs the Barcelona Lab for Urban Environmental Justice & Sustainability (BCNUEJ). Her research examines the extent to which urban plans, policies, and socio-environmental interventions contribute to more just, resilient, healthy, and sustainable cities and how community groups in distressed neighborhoods contest environmental inequities as a result of urban (re)development processes.

**Chatzidakis Andreas**, Professor at the School of Business and Management the Royal Holloway, University of London and former deputy director of the School’s Centre for Research into Sustainability. He is interested on the intersection of consumption with ethics and politics, working on projects such as consumer-oriented activism in post 2008 Athens and the role of care and relationality in everyday consumption. He is a member of the Care Collective and Co-author of the Care Manifesto.

**Perrons Diane**, Professor Emerita in Feminist Political Economy. Former Director of the Gender Studies Institute LSE. Her research focuses on the gender dimensions of economic inequality and the social and spatial implications of economic change paying particular attention to economic crises, austerity and socially equitable recovery. She co-directed the Gender, Inequality and Power Commission and is a member of the UK Women’s Budget Group Policy Advisory Group.

**Vaiou Dina**, Professor Emerita of Urban Analysis and Gender Studies in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning of the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA). She has studied architecture in the NTUA, planning in the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) (MA) and urban geography and planning in the University of London (PhD). Her research interests and numerous publications concern the feminist critique of urban analysis, the changing features of local labour markets with special emphasis on women’s work and informalisation process, and the effects of immigration in the cities of southern Europe.

Round table moderator: **Vasiliki Petousi**, Director Gender Studies Centre, Associate Professor Department of Sociology University of Crete and Member of the UoC Gender Equality Committee.