

**Postgraduate Conference Programme:**  
***Myth(s) in the Social Sciences and Humanities***

8.45am - 9.15am - Registration

9.20am - Opening

Prof. Ellen Annandale, Department of Sociology, University of York

**9.35am - 10.30am - *'The Syncretism of Contemporary Mythopoesis'***

**Dr. Vanda Zajko, Department of Classics and Ancient History, University of Bristol**

**10.35am - 11.35am - Psychology & Psychoanalysis**

*'Neither potion nor polemic, but a provocation: teenagers' engagement with myth'*

Cath Heinemeyer, International Centre for Arts and Narrative, York St John University

*'The myth of extraordinary coincidence'*

Germaine Günther, Department of Sociology, University of York

*'South Sea mermaids: mythographies of mermaids and Tahitian women in the Western imagination'*

Anaïs Duong-Pedica, Department of Sociology, University of York

*Coffee Break (15 mins)*

**11.50pm - 12.20pm - *'Media Myths and Society or Never Let the Facts Get in the Way of a Good Story'***

**Prof. Ivor Gaber, Department of Media and Film, University of Sussex**

*12.20pm-1.00pm - Lunch*

**1.00pm - 2.00pm - Self, Development and Narratives**

*'The creation of new myth and women empowered in contemporary China'*

Ni Lu, Centre for Women's Studies, University of York

*'Developing disenchantment'*

Fawzia Haeri Mazanderani, School of Education and Social Work, University of Sussex

*'Gender Crossing Tales: a case for myth and metaphor'*

Stella Fremi, School of Applied Social Sciences, University of Brighton

## **2.05pm - 3.05pm - Politics, Media, and Representation**

*'Myth(s) of Witnessing: The Promise and pitfalls of the networked witness in online new texts'*

Holly Steel, Department of Sociology, University of York

*'Exploring the invocation of past uprisings in the present as political myths'*

Miranda Iossifidis, Department of Sociology, Goldsmiths

*'Transnational Mythscapes and the (new) Enlighteners: young Bulgarian skilled migrants in the UK'*

Elena Genova, School of Sociology and Social Policy, University of Nottingham

*Coffee Break (10 mins)*

## **3.15pm - 4.15pm - Culture, Media, and Representation**

*'Mythologising Hoodoo: Representing Spiritual Traditions of the American South'*

Jennifer O'Reilly, School of Humanities and Social Science, Liverpool John Moores University

*'Creating a New Narrative for the Virgin Mary'*

Aurelia Ubeda Puigdomenech, Centre for Women's Studies, University of York

*'The Myth of China and the Modern Yellow peril: A vision through British television documentaries'*

Gina Plana Espinet, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

**4.20pm - 5.15pm - *'The Others are Coming: Ambivalent and incomplete imaginings beyond dreams and nightmares'***

**Dr. Shani Orgad, Department of Media and Communications, LSE**

5.20pm - Closing

Dr. Xiaodong (Wes) Lin, Department of Sociology, University of York