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SEMINAR SERIES – ECOFEMINISM: CONTESTING HETEROPATRIARCHAL, ECOCIDAL RACIAL CAPITALISM

Why Not Ecofeminism?



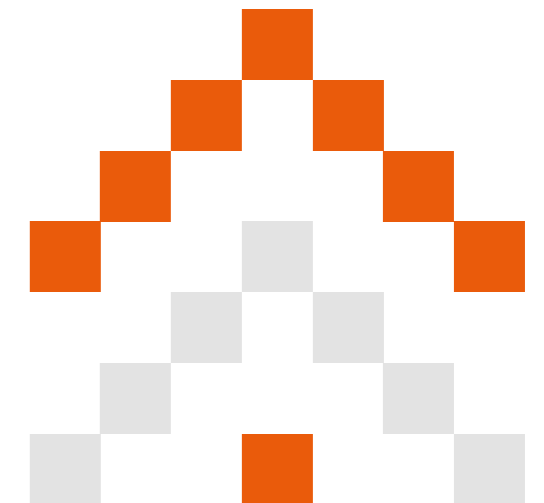
GUEST SPEAKER ■ **Professor Yvette Abrahams** is an organic farmer, activist and feminist scholar in South Africa. She is the director of the Khoelife Organic Soap and Oils Co-operative which empowers women to set up their own distribution businesses and makes organic products available to poor communities at affordable prices. She obtained her PhD in Economic History from the University of Cape Town (UCT) with a dissertation on Sarah Baartman. She has worked at the University of the Western Cape and UCT. She worked for five years as Commissioner for Gender Equality where she headed programmes on poverty, energy and climate change. She has published on topics related to gender equality, queer theory and the history of First Nations South Africans. Her research interests are in the field of indigenous plants and climate change economics.

DISCUSSANT ■ **Michelle Pressend** is the Academic Coordinator of Transnational Centre for Just Transitions in Energy, Climate and Sustainability (TRAJECTS) and lectures in Environmental Sociology at the University of Cape Town. She is a PhD candidate in the Environmental Humanities South program focusing on renewable energy transitions in South Africa. She has worked as a researcher, policy analyst, and activist on environmental and socio-economic issues primarily within the non-governmental sector. She served in national government during the World Summit on Sustainable Development. Her interests lie in rethinking the political economy of energy transitions in ways that will assist in responding in 'new' and relational ways to the multitude of crises facing the world.

DATE ■ **16 March 2022**

TIME ■ **15:00**

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