

MASCNET: Masculinity Sex and Popular Culture Network

Masculinity and National Identity

Village Berlin

Friday 17th January 2020

Call for Papers

Following on from the success of our network launch at BCU in May 2019 themed around masculinity and body image our next network event in **Berlin in January 2020** takes the topic of **Masculinity and National Identity** as a starting point for conversation around some of the following themes:

- National/regional masculinities
- The sexualisation of regional/ethnic masculinity
- Masculinity and national identities and intersections of sexuality, racial, religious, ethnic, class, etc. identities
- Intra/international constructions and articulations of masculinity and national identity
- Politics & ideology (incl. far-left and far-right articulations), including but not limited to: extremism, populism, activism, nationalism, separatism, neoliberalism
- On/offline representation(s) and performance(s) of masculinity and national identity
- Media discourses of masculinity and national identity
- Men's (online) groups and forums

We invite individual papers, pre-constituted panels, poster presentations, video presentations, or short performance pieces that address the theme of the symposium. We intend to convene several roundtable discussions so we particularly welcome 5 to 10 min position papers on topics related to masculinity and national identity in the 21st century from any field of study.

These are topics that relate popular debate and media reportage, educators and policy makers and we are keen to involve practitioners and non-academics in our discussions and events.

MASCNET is a 24-month AHRC funded research network explores the pervasiveness of sexualized masculine embodiment across contemporary popular culture, and sets an ambitious agenda for subsequent research. The network steering group includes Begonya Enguix, Joao Florencio, Jamie Hakim, Mark McGlashan, Peter Rehberg and Florian Voros.

Please send a 300-word abstract and short bio (max. 100 words) to Charlie Sarson charlie.sarson@bcu.ac.uk or enquiries to Professor John Mercer john.mercer@bcu.ac.uk and Professor Clarissa Smith clarissa.smith@sunderland.ac.uk

Deadline for proposals 18th October 2019

Attendance will be free.