

REGENN PANEL: ECOFEMINIST THEOLOGY

Friday 10 June 2022 | 14.00-16.30

Senaatzaal, VU Amsterdam & Online

Registration via regennetherlands@gmail.com

We are happy to invite you to our first meeting as REGENN, the Religion and Gender Network in the Netherlands (before: OPP). REGENN is a network for anyone who works on or writes about themes in the field of religion and gender. Besides our annual study week in the first week of January, we organise occasional meetings throughout the year.

On Friday 10 June we organise a panel about Ecofeminist Theology with lectures by Prof. Marilú Rojas Salazar and Nienke Pruiksma MTh. This event is made possible by Kerk in Actie, the NFFR (Nijmegen Fonds voor Feminisme en Religie), Stichting Catharina Halkes Fonds and Centrum voor Contextuele Bijbelinterpretatie. The event will be in English. Please register by sending an email to regennetherlands@gmail.com, and indicate whether you would like to participate on location at VU Amsterdam or online via Zoom.



Prof. Marilú Rojas Salazar

"Eroecosophy of territorial bodies: Eco-Feminist spiritualities in resistance."



Nienke Pruiksma MTh

"'From the earth, sea monsters and all deeps'. An intercultural theological reflection about bodies and life."

MASTERCLASS WITH PROF. MARILÚ ROJAS SALAZAR

In addition to the REGENN panel, there will be a masterclass on ecofeminist theology with prof. Marilú Rojas Salazar in the morning where we discuss her work (English texts will be made available beforehand). The masterclass is organized by Prof. Mariecke van den Berg and Prof. Peter-Ben Smit and takes place from 11.00-13.00 in the Senaatzaal at VU Amsterdam. For those who also attend the afternoon programme, lunch will be provided. If you would like to attend the masterclass, please contact Prof. Mariecke van den Berg: c.a.m.vanden.berg@vu.nl.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Prof. Marilú Rojas Salazar is a member of the order of missionaries of St. Theresa of Lisieux and wrote her dissertation *The Theological/Theological Method of Feminist Theology of Liberation from an Ecofeminist Perspective* at KU Leuven in 2012. She is now professor at the Universidad Iberoamericana Puebla in Mexico City. Marilú Rojas Salazar is a distinct theologian, in her biography as well as her innovative theological thought. As a missionary she got a speaking prohibition from the Vatican because of her standpoints about the position of women in the Roman Catholic Church. She used this speaking prohibition to write her dissertation, in which she worked on the exact themes that she got the prohibition for. Salazar is one of the leading theologians in the field of feminist, decolonial and queer approaches to theology, in which she explicitly positions herself in Mexico, which is tormented by violence against women. She continually publishes on a global scale.

Nienke Pruiksma MTh is an intercultural theologian and works for the Netherlands Mission Council (NZR). In her work she attempts to work in between contexts, bringing questions and methodologies from theologies “from the south” to the European context. Before joining the NZR, she worked as an ecumenical collaborator through Kerk in Actie in Brazil with COMIN, a church organisation that advocates with and for the rights of indigenous peoples. There, her critical tools regarding questions of land, ecology and the climate crisis were sharpened in the encounter with members of various indigenous peoples and with the ecofeminist theologians of the region. She searches for ways in which theology, church and mission can be a liberating force, rather than a complicit or oppressing one. As such, her focus theologically has been and continues to be on postcolonial, gender and ecological issues.