

# **Regulations of the Brigitte Schnegg Award for Gender Studies of the Swiss Association for Gender Studies SAGS**

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## **I Preface**

### **Art 1 Purpose and background of the award**

The Brigitte Schnegg Award for Gender Studies is created and awarded by the Swiss Association for Gender Studies (SAGS). The purpose of the award is to honour outstanding academic research in the field of Gender Studies in Switzerland which contributes to socio-political analysis and change.

Prof. Dr. Brigitte Schnegg was head of the Interdisciplinary Centre for Gender Studies at the University of Bern (IZFG) until her unexpected death in spring 2014. She was the co-founder of the Swiss Network for the establishment of Gender Studies at the Swiss universities and since 2010 co-president of the newly re-launched Swiss Association for Gender Studies (SAGS). For Brigitte Schnegg important concerns were the critical analysis of social inequalities and political approaches to research. In honour of her and her achievements, the SAGS created this award.

The award honours scholarly research (articles, book chapters, monographs, dissertations, habilitations) by young researchers published in the two years preceding the call, in one of the Swiss national languages or in English. The work submitted must have a specific gender focus and/or must be thematically attributable to the field of Gender Studies, and the work or the author must have a Swiss connection.

### **Art 2 Financing and amount of the award**

The award amount is 2'000.00 CHF.

The award will be financed by the budget of the SAGS and by voluntary donations of the association's members. The members will be invited every two years to make an eligible donation for next years' award.

## **II Organization**

### **Art 3 Procedure**

The organization of the Brigitte Schnegg Award for Gender Studies falls to the Board of the SAGS.

### **Art 4 Jury**

The jury consists of three to ten persons, including at least two members of the SAGS board. Other members are nominated by the SAGS board. Proposals may be submitted to the vice-president of the SAGS. The vice-president takes into account the representation of the language regions and a disciplinary diversity in the composition of the jury.

The jury chooses the recipient of the Brigitte Schnegg Award for Gender Studies.

The jury's decision is final and binding in all respects and not subject to legal recourse.

### **Art 5 Conditions of Participation**

The call for applications is issued in German, French and English in the course of the year in which the prize is awarded. The application deadline and the documents to be submitted are determined by the SAGS board.

The following criteria apply. Scholarly research may be submitted

- namely, articles, book contributions, monographs, doctoral dissertations and habilitations
- written in in one of the Swiss national languages or in English
- by young researchers (in the academic sense) who are at the beginning/middle of their career
- published (respectively defended in the case of a doctorate or a habilitation) during the last two years prior to the deadline for submission as specified on the call for applications
- having a specific gender focus or which can be thematically attributed to gender studies
- with a Swiss connection.

The research may be submitted by the authors or by third parties. In the case of co-authored publications, all authors generally apply jointly for the prize and specify in their application how the prize money will be divided, in case of winning. The SAGS vice president can grant exceptions for authors working in disciplines where papers co-authored by many individuals are common.

The German version of the call for applications is the legally binding version.

### **Art 6 Award**

The award is generally given every two years as part of the annual members' assembly of the SAGS, and for the first time in 2017.

The award may be given to individuals or a collective.

If no decision is concluded or the jury ceases the award, the board of the SAGS will decide the designated use of the prize money.

### **Art 7 Office**

The organization of the award will be administered by the office of the SAGS.

### **III Final clauses**

#### **Art 8 Commencement of the regulation**

The regulation for the Brigitte Schnegg Award for Gender Studies will be taking effect on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June 2016. It will be passed by the General Member Assembly 2016 of the Swiss Association for Gender Studies SAGS on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June 2016.



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