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## Personal information

Since November 2017 I have been working on a multi-sited ethnographic research exploring the implication of law in race-making in contemporary Europe through the lens of the regulation of 'mixed (race) couples', as part of the ERC-funded project 'EUROMIX – Regulating Mixed Intimacies in Europe' led by Prof. Betty de Hart. While looking at whether and how couples experience forms of racial discrimination in different domains (housing, education, mobility, and safety), I also explore how partners' differently racialised subjectivities reflect or challenge the enduring legacy of Western colonialism and imperialism. I conducted fieldwork in England, the Netherlands, and Italy, which are countries where race, as a category, is attributed different social and legal value, despite producing quite similar real-life effects. Currently I'm beginning to publish my emerging analyses in different peer-reviewed journals, and to draft a monograph book proposal. My ongoing research builds on my earlier work on the intersection of gender, race, and class in processes of women's subjectification, and on gender, the nation and politics. For my doctoral research I examined the ways in which sexuality, pleasure and work interrogate each other and differently impinge on women's subjectification and agency according to class and race. To this purpose I undertook ethnographic fieldwork across a continuum of spaces of unstable boundaries between intimacy and work – from pole dance schools to streets where sex is negotiated and sold. This work resulted so far in the publication of articles on *Modern Italy*, and on the *Journal of Political Power*. For my BA I wrote a dissertation on Palestinian women's involvement in the national struggle against Israeli occupation, with a focus on a comparison between the first and the second *intifada*. Shortly after graduation I left for the occupied Palestinian territories (oPt) to work in relief and development initiatives, and I have subsequently worked in this field and region for almost fifteen years (mostly in the oPt and Lebanon). In later years, this area knowledge allowed me to contribute to an EU-funded collaborative research project entitled "Freedom, dignity and justice": A comprehensive approach to the understanding of youth exclusion and the prospects for youth inclusion and overall change in the South and East Mediterranean (Power to Youth). This research led to my co-authoring in a series of publications, including two articles on race and intersectionality in Palestinian youth diasporic politics published on *Ethnic and Racial Studies* and *Mediterranean Politics*. Throughout the past ten years, I've also nurtured interest in feminist economics and specifically in the domain of care, as part of my broader, almost 15 years' long involvement in gender and development initiatives on the ground and in academia. This experience led to my appointment in a research team at the Institute of Development Studies (IDS, Brighton, UK), and my co-authoring of policy-oriented working papers addressing women's economic empowerment and care in different sub-Saharan countries (Ghana, South Africa, Tanzania). At Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, I have been coordinating and teaching courses part of the minor *Law and Global Society*, with lectures addressing marriage migration, sex work and trafficking, nationalism and processes of racialised othering. Besides, I am supervising the PhD researchers who are part of the EUROMIX research project team. In earlier years (2008-2010) I have delivered lectures in the Master level course 'Gender, Conflicts and Cultures in the Mediterranean'.

## Academic qualifications

Gender Studies, PhD, SOAS University of London  
26 Sep 2011 → 30 Jun 2016

Gender and Development, Master, University of Sussex  
3 Oct 2005 → 30 Sep 2006

Political Science, Bachelor, Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna  
Sep 1996 → 22 Nov 2002

## Research outputs

**Mixed (race) couples through the Brexit looking glass**  
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**'My Mother Does a Lot of Work': Women Balancing Paid and Unpaid Care Work in Tanzania**

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**'How Can It Be a Problem If You Need Them Both?' Women Juggling Paid and Unpaid Care Work in Tanzania**

Zambelli, E., Roelen, K., Hossain, N., Chopra, D. & Twebaze Musoke, J., 12 Sep 2017, 495 ed., Brighton: Institute of Development Studies, (IDS Working Papers; no. 495).

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**An Intersectional Analysis of the Micro-level Factors of Youth Economic and Political Exclusion/Inclusion in the South and East Mediterranean (SEM) Region**

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**The Palestinian Youth Movement (PYM): Transnational politics, inter/national frameworks and intersectional alliances.**

Salih, R., Welchman, L. & Zambelli, E., Apr 2017, Rome: Istituto Affari Internazionali, (Power2Youth Papers; no. 27).

**Reframing Gender Justice in an Unequal, Volatile World: IDS' Directions for Future Research on Gender and Sexuality in Development**

Edström, J., Chopra, D., Müller, C., Nazneen, S., Oosterhoff, P., Wood, S., Zambelli, E., Bannister, A., Brambilla, P. & Mason, P., Mar 2017, Brighton: Institute of Development Studies.

**Gender, Intersectionality and Youth Civic and Political Engagement. An Analysis of the meso-level factors of youth exclusion/inclusion in the South and East Mediterranean (SEM) region**

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### **Ampliare la Partecipazione delle Donne Libanesi nella Sfera Economica, Sociale e Politica del proprio Paese: Strategie, Mezzi, Opportunità**

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### **Introduction: Opening spaces for border crossing**

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### **Paris, Texas, Tel Aviv: a feminist practitioner's reflection on international cooperation in Palestine in the good governance era**

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### **Tra multiculturalismo e scontro di civiltà: la libertà di esprimere cosa?**

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### **Women Journalists and Communicators on the Two Shores of the Mediterranean: Mutual Perceptions through the Media**

Gusi, T., Montañés, V. & Zambelli, E., 2007, In : Quaderns de la Mediterranea. 8, p. 99-108 10 p.

### **Women's networking across borders - cooperation, diaspora and migrations between Italy and the Middle East**

Macchi, S. (ed.) & Zambelli, E. (ed.), 2007, *Women's Networking across Borders - Cooperation, Diaspora and Migrations between Italy and the Middle East*. Macchi, S. & Zambelli, E. (eds.). Roma: CIRPS/SPED

## **Employment history**

26 Sep 2016 → 31 Aug 2017 Research Officer, Institute of Development Studies, UK

1 Feb 2015 → 31 Dec 2016 Research Assistant, SOAS, UK

14 Oct 2015 → 30 Sep 2016 Gender Expert, CIHEAM-Bari

May 2016 → Jul 2016 ToC Trainer, GVC, Italy

1 Mar 2014 → 30 Sep 2014 Research Assistant, SOAS, UK

May 2014 Gender Expert, Lebanon, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Nov 2013 → Dec 2013 Gender Expert, Lebanon, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

23 Jan 2013 → 16 Sep 2013 Evaluator - Gender Expert, MENA region, Fundación Solidaridad Internacional

May 2013 Gender Expert, Tunisia, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

22 Oct 2012 → 24 Dec 2012 Evaluator - Gender Expert, Oxfam GB

Oct 2012 Gender and Development Trainer, Centro per la Formazione alla Solidarietà Internazionale, Italy

Jun 2012 → Jul 2012 Consultant, Tunisia, GVC

14 Nov 2011 → 30 Jun 2012 Gender Advisor, Oxfam-Québec

28 Apr 2008 → 13 Apr 2011 Gender and Social Affairs Expert, Lebanon, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Apr 2008 → Apr 2010 Teaching Fellow, University of Bologna

Dec 2007 → Jan 2008 Gender and Development Trainer, Progetto Formazione s.c.r.l., Italy

Nov 2007 → Dec 2007 Consultant, MENA region, UN-INSTRAW

Nov 2007 → Dec 2007 Gender Expert, Lebanon, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Oct 2007 Gender Expert, occupied Palestinian territories, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Jul 2007 → Aug 2007 Gender Expert, Lebanon, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

May 2007 Consultant, Central America, UNIFEM

27 Feb 2003 → 31 Jul 2006 Project Manager, occupied Palestinian territories, 'Orlando' association

Aug 2004 → Dec 2004 Gender Expert (jr.), occupied Palestinian territories, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Jun 2004 → Jul 2004 Consultant, occupied Palestinian territories, CESVI