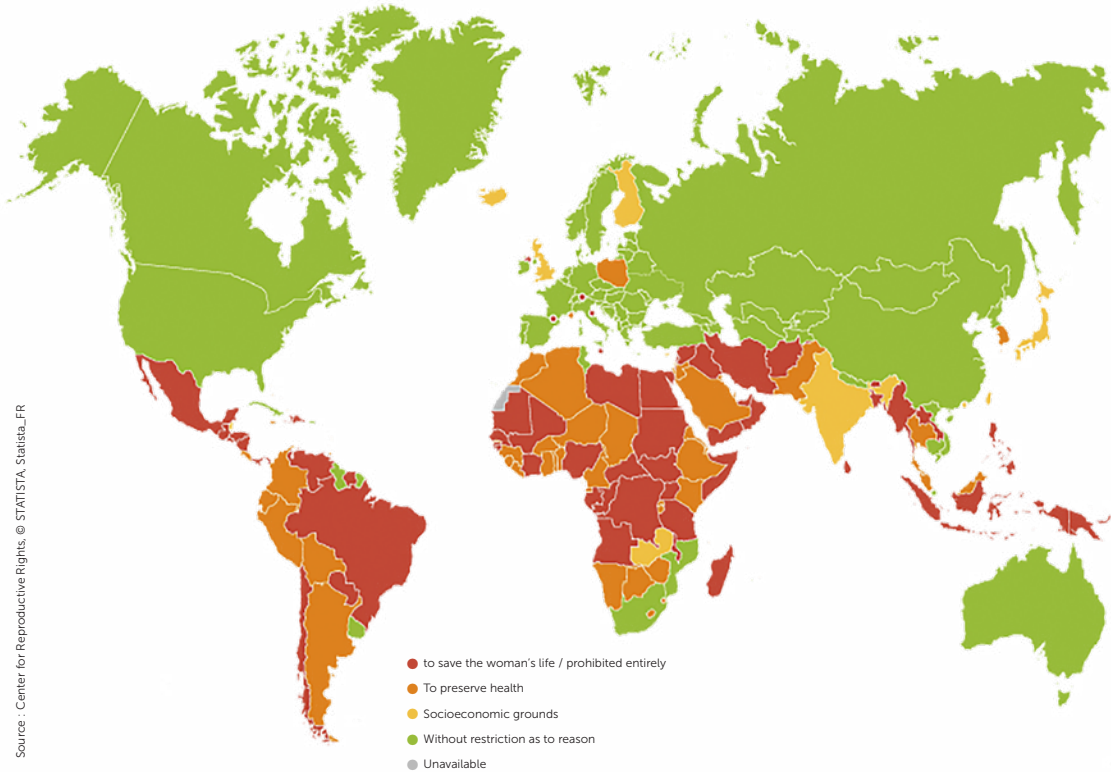


# The Legal Status of Abortion Worldwide in 2018



International Conference

# Abortion in the British Isles, France, and North America since 1800

6 - 8 NOVEMBER 2018

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# DAY 1 – TUESDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2018

## MORNING SESSION

Campus des Cordeliers, staircase B, 2nd floor (Amphithéâtre Gustave Roussy),  
15 rue de l'École de Médecine, 75006 Paris)

**8.15**      **Registration and coffee** ('Le Club', groundfloor room to the left of staircase B)

**8.45**      **Introduction and Welcome**

**Geneviève FRAISSE** (Emeritus CNRS Research Director, philosopher and  
Historian of Feminist Thought)

Chair **Françoise BARRET-DUCROCQ** (Emeritus Professor of British Studies,  
Université Paris-Diderot, Paris, France)

**09.00**      **KEYNOTE SPEECH**

**Janine MOSSUZ-LAVAU** (Emeritus CNRS Director of Research, CEVIPOF,  
Institute of Political Studies, Paris, France)

Les débats parlementaires autour de l'interruption volontaire de grossesse  
(1974-2001).

**09.45**      **Questions and discussion**

**10.15**      *Coffee ('Le Club')*

## HISTORICAL AND STATISTICAL PERSPECTIVES

Chair: **Fabrice VIRGILI** (CNRS Research Director, UMR 8138 SIRICE)

**10.30**      **Jolien GIJBELS** (PhD student, Faculty of Arts, Catholic University of Leuven,  
Belgium, Research Group Cultural History since 1750)

The Lesser of Two Evils? Abortion and Craniotomy in and beyond Nineteenth-  
Century Belgium (1840-1914).

**10.50**      **Amandine DANDEL** (PhD student in History, Le Mans Université, France)

Expertises judiciaires lors de la procédure de l'instruction pour avortement en  
Seine-et-Oise (années 1830-1880).

**11.10**      **Laurent TOULEMON** (Directeur de recherches, Institut National d'Études  
Démographiques, Paris, France)

L'enregistrement statistique des interruptions volontaires de grossesse en  
France.

**11.30**      **Questions and discussion**

## SOME EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVES

Chair: **Fabrice VIRGILI** (CNRS Research Director, UMR 8138 SIRICE)

**11.50**      **Sylvie LAUSBERG** (Historian and psychoanalyst, Director of the Department of  
Research and Strategy of the *Centre d'Action Laïque*, Brussels, Belgium).

La Belgique et l'interruption volontaire de grossesse.

**12.10**      **Dr Lucia BUSATTA** (post-doctoral research fellow, University of Padua (Italy)  
Department of Public, International and EU Law)

Abortion law in Italy: a pluralist legislation lacking effectiveness?

**12.30**      **Questions and discussion**

**12.50**      *Lunch break*

## AFTERNOON SESSION

Sorbonne (Salle des Actes), 54 rue St Jacques, 75005 Paris (be careful – change of venue for the rest of the conference)

### ABORTION AND THE MEDICAL PROFESSIONS

Chair: **Ann FUREDI** (Chief Executive, British Pregnancy Advisory Service, England)

- 14.20** **Dr Gayle DAVIS** (Senior Lecturer in the History of Medicine, University of Edinburgh (Scotland), UK, School of History, Classics and Archeology)  
A Biography of the 1967 Abortion Act: Medicalization and its Impact.
- 14.40** **Barbara FONTYN** (PhD student, Sorbonne Université (Lettres), Paris, France, *Études anglophones, HDEA 4086 Axe Famille*)  
Medical Opinion and the Silkin Bill (1965-1966).
- 15.00** **Ellie LEE** (and **Sally Sheldon** and **Jan Macvarish**, University of Kent (England), UK)  
Doctors who Provide Abortion: their Values and Professional Identity.
- 15.20** **Questions and discussion**
- 15.40** *Coffee*
- Chair: **Ann FUREDI** (Chief Executive, British Pregnancy Advisory Service, England)
- 16.00** **Karissa HAUGEBOG** (Assistant Professor, Tulane University (New Orleans, Louisiana), USA, Department of History)  
"I Was Appalled!" Nursing Politics in the United States, 1967-1973.
- 16.20** **Catherine HANEY** (University of British Columbia (Vancouver, British Columbia, CANADA), RN, MSN, PhD Candidate)  
"You have to be able to stand up for what you're doing" Oral history participant – Retired Registered Nurse). Examining the work of nurses in support of freestanding abortion clinics in Canada, 1969-1988.
- 16.40** **Pilar LEON-SANZ** (Associate Professor of the History of Medicine, University of Navarra (Navarra), Spain, School of Medicine)  
Abortion versus Contraception: the Roots of a Professional Debate.
- 17.00** **Questions and discussion**

# DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2018

## MORNING SESSION

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Chair: **Dr Adrien LHERM** (Senior Lecturer in American Studies, Sorbonne Université (Lettres), Paris, France)

### 09.00 **KEYNOTE SPEECH**

**Joshua C. WILSON** (Associate Professor, University of Denver, Denver (Colorado), USA, Political Science Department)

Political Questions as Legal Questions: Mobilizing Courts in American Abortion Politics.

### 09.45 **Questions and discussion**

### 10.15 *Coffee*

## (RE) CRIMINALISING ABORTION

Chair: **Jonathan PARENT** (Assistant Professor, Le Moyne College (Syracuse, New York), USA, Department of Political Science)

**10.30 Shoshanna EHRlich** (Professor, University of Massachusetts, Boston (Massachusetts), USA, Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies Department)  
(Re)producing the Maternal Ideal: Abortion Law in the United States and the Romancing of Motherhood.

**10.50 Dr Mindy J. ROSEMAN** (Yale Law School, New Haven (Connecticut), USA, Director of the Gruber Program on Global Justice and Women's Rights)  
Pro-Natalism, Pro-Nationalism: Gender Norms and the (re)criminalization of Abortion.

### 11.10 **Questions and discussion**

## ABORTION AND RELIGION

Chair: **Dr Mindy J. ROSEMAN** (Yale Law School, New Haven (Connecticut), USA, Director of the Gruber Program on Global Justice and Women's Rights)

**11.30 Anne LÉGIER** (PhD student, Université Sorbonne Nouvelle and English teacher, School of Law and Political Science, Aix-Marseille Université, France)  
The Religious Argument for Abortion Rights: How the Clergy Consultation Service Reframed the American Abortion Debate in the 1960s and early 1970s.

**11.50 Andrew R. LEWIS** (Associate Professor, University of Cincinnati (Ohio), USA, Department of Political Science)  
Abortion and the Rights Turn in Conservative Christian Politics in the United States.

### 12.10 **Questions and discussion**

### 12.30 *Lunch break*

## AFTERNOON SESSION

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### THE POLITICS OF CHOICE

Chair: **Joshua C. WILSON** (Associate Professor, University of Denver, Denver (Colorado), USA, Political Science Department)

- 14.00** **Jonathan PARENT** (Assistant Professor, Le Moyne College (Syracuse, New York), USA, Department of Political Science)  
"Black Genocide:" The Pro-Life Effort to Co-Opt the Modern Civil Rights Movement.
- 14.20** **Noya RIMALT** (Professor of Law and Co-director of the Center for Gender, Law and Policy, University of Haifa, Israel, Faculty of Law)  
Between Rights-Talk and Reproductive Justice: Abortion Law and the Search for a Common Ground.
- 14.40** **Questions and discussion**
- 15.00** *Coffee*
- 15.20** **Joanna N. ERDMAN** (Associate Professor of Law, MacBain Chair in Health Law and Policy, Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University, Halifax (Nova Scotia), Canada)  
Abortion Pills and Regulatory Ideals.
- 15.40** **Kris DE WELDE** (Professor and Director of Women's and Gender Studies, Professor of Sociology, College of Charleston (Charleston, South Carolina), USA, Women's and Gender Studies Program), **Frances Davey** (Assistant Professor of History at Florida Gulf Coast University (Fort Myers, Florida), USA), and **Nicola Foote** (Professor and Vice-Dean of the Barrett Honors College, Arizona State University (Arizona), USA)  
Threads and Threats of Stigma: Exploring Abortion Experiences across Three Generations of Changing Abortion Legislation and Experiences in the United States.
- 16.00** **Carol WILLIAMS** (Professor, University of Lethbridge, Lethbridge (Alberta, Canada), Department of History and the Department of Women and Gender Studies)  
Pro-Life Grasps the Upper Hand: a Regional Case Study of the Contest between Feminist Activism and Religious Conservatives on Women's Bodily Autonomy in Western Canada.
- 16.20** **Questions and discussion**

# DAY 3 – THURSDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2018

## MORNING SESSION

Sorbonne (Salle des Actes), 54 rue St Jacques, 75005 Paris

Chair: **Fabienne PORTIER-LE COCQ** (Professor of British Studies, Université de Tours, France)

**09.00 KEYNOTE SPEECH**

**Ann FUREDI** (Chief Executive, British Pregnancy Advisory Service, England)  
The Moral Case for Abortion.

**09.45 Questions and discussion**

**10.15** *Coffee*

### OPINIONS AND DISCOURSES

Chair: **Christabelle SETHNA** (Professor, University of Ottawa (Ontario), Canada, Institute of Feminist and Gender Studies)

**10.30 Pam LOWE** (Senior Lecturer in Sociology, Aston University (Birmingham, England), UK, School of Languages and Social Sciences)  
Sophie's Choice: Narratives of 'Saving' in British Public Debates on Abortion.

**10.50 Dr Marie MOREAU** (Lecturer at Université Jean Moulin Lyon III, Faculty of Modern Languages, Lyon, France)  
The Abortion Issue between Politics and Public Opinion: the Role of Morality on the Public Scene in the United States and in Canada.

**11.10 Anne-Marie RIVARD** (PhD student, Université Concordia, Montréal (Québec), Canada)  
Analyzing the Bilingual Post-Morgentaler Abortion Discourse in Canada.

### ABORTION TOURISM

Chair: **Claire CHARLOT** (Professor of British Studies, Sorbonne Université (Lettres), Paris, France)

**11.30 Dr Silvia DE ZORDO** (Ramón y Cajal & ERC Researcher-PI, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Barcelona, Spain), **Joanna Mishtal** (Associate Professor, University of Central Florida, USA) & ERC BAR2LEGAB project team (University of Barcelona, Spain & Ibis Reproductive Health, USA).  
Barriers to Legal Abortion and Abortion Travel in Europe: the Experiences of Women from Countries with Relatively Liberal Abortion Laws.

**11.50 Christabelle SETHNA** (Professor, University of Ottawa (Ontario), Canada, Institute of Feminist and Gender Studies)  
A Tale in Two Acts: Abortion Travel, the British Abortion Act (1967) and the Canadian Abortion Law (1969).

**12.10 Questions and discussion**

**12.30** *Lunch break*

## AFTERNOON SESSION

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### IRISH PERSPECTIVES

Chair: **Marie-Claire CONSIDERE-CHARON** (Emeritus Professor of Irish Studies, Université de Franche-Comté, France)

**14.00 Dr Christophe POIRÉ** (Senior Lecturer, Irish Studies, Université de Lorraine, UFR Arts, Lettres et Langues, Metz, France – IDEA)

35 ans de lutte pour le droit à l'avortement en Irlande : le rôle décisif de l'Assemblée citoyenne dans la nette victoire du « oui » en 2018.

**14.20 Cara DELAY** (Associate Professor, College of Charleston, Charleston (South Carolina), USA, Department of History/Women's and Gender Studies Program)  
Bad Mothers and Dirty Lousers: Representing Abortionists in Post-Independence Ireland.

**14.40 Dr Edwige NAULT** (Université Lille 3 Charles de Gaulle, France)  
Input of the European Courts on the Abortion Issue in the Republic of Ireland.

**15.00 Questions and discussion**

**15.20 Coffee**

### ROUND UP OF THE DEBATES

Chair: **Ann FUREDI** (Chief Executive, British Pregnancy Advisory Service, England)

**15.40 Michelle OBERMAN** (Katharine and George Alexander Professor of Law, Santa Clara University School of Law (California), USA)  
Interrogating the Purpose and Function of Abortion Laws in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

**16.00 Questions and discussion**

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