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Amsterdam: Connecting people in a 'superdiverse' city

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Mini-symposium
3 oktober 2017
18.30u
Filmzaal PThU

Amsterdam is a community of strangers. The vast majority of all its inhabitants had their roots abroad in the near or remote history. Being all strangers in a huge dynamic city, however, implies that it is quite easy to live in a small circle of like-minded people, and to ignore others. The easiest way out is all too often 'Living Apart Together'.

At this mini-symposium a group of three Amsterdam women are invited to react to questions concerning their religious identity and 'self-image', and about their experience of living in a 'superdiverse' city. They come from different backgrounds - Jewish, Christian and Muslim – and are all involved in interreligious dialogue and encounters. Is the city in their eyes indeed a community of strangers, or do they experience it in a different way?

We will also join in singing songs from different traditions, led by Hanna Rijken.

Programme

18.30 Welcome
19.00 Opening of the symposium by the Rector of the Protestant Theological University, professor Mechteld Jansen
19.10 Introduction of the programme by the moderator, professor Manuela Kalsky
19.15 Introduction of the three main speakers: Chantal Suissa, Riekje van Osnabrugge and Fatima Elatik
19.30 Discussion with the main speakers and the audience
20.30 Conclusion of the programme

Admission free, but registration is required.
Location: Protestantse Theologische Universiteit Location Amsterdam Zuid-As: Vrije Universiteit, main building
De Boelelaan 1105 1081 HV Amsterdam
To register, mail to: epil@dsts.nl

This mini-symposium is organised as part of the European Project for Interreligious Learning (EPIL), which brings together women from different countries and different religious backgrounds for empowerment and mutual understanding.