

Gendering Transitional Justice in Tunisia: A Global Politics of Subalternity

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Transitional justice, a set of instruments intended to bring peace to and democratize societies through the recognition of victims, was the subject of considerable mobilization in postrevolutionary Tunisia. The specific inclusion of female victims in the process was addressed by institutional measures, which led to the implementation of a gender program by international organizations, such as the United Nations or the International Center for Transitional Justice. This session looks at how gender norms and representations are transferred through international gender mainstreaming measures in so -called "post-conflict" contexts. Based on ethnographic observation of the construction of a memorial dedicated to women's experience of the dictatorship in Tunisia, we'll discuss how international organizations, by relying on the racialization of violence against women, emptied the political content of Tunisian women experiences of repression.