

# FOOD IN PRISON

## INTERNATIONAL AND MULTIDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES

### Friday 21 September, 2018

12:00 - 13:00

Reception with lunch buffet

13:00 - 13:15

Introduction by the chairs of the conference (Profs. Kristel Beyens and Peter Scholliers, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium)

13:15 - 14:00

**Keynote Speaker: Amy Smoyer** (Assistant Professor, Southern Connecticut State University, US) – ‘Hungry on the Inside: An Overview of International Research on Food in Prison’

14:00 - 14:45

**Keynote Speaker: An-Sofie Vanhouche** (PhD, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium) – ‘Working in a prison kitchen’

14:45 - 15:45 Panel Session 1

**Julie Parsons** (Associate Professor in Sociology, Plymouth University) – “*At least it’s not bread and water*”; Negotiating notions of food as punishment, prisoners’ narrative reflections on the lived experience of foodways in an English prison.’

**Christina Straub** (PhD Candidate - University of Leeds, UK) “*We’ll share a cup of kindness yet ...*” - Coffee and tea drinking as a framing ritual of intra-prisoner and prisoner-researcher relationships’

15:45 - 16:15

Coffee - Tea

16:15 – 17:45 Panel - Session 2

**Anna Eriksson** (PhD, Senior Lecturer, Monash University, Australia ) – “*Milk is a really big thing in here*”: Food, conflict, and self-actualization in Australian and Norwegian prisons’

**Tia Simanovic** (PhD Candidate, University of Strathclyde, UK) & **Masa Gosev** (High School Junior, XV Gymnasium, Croatia) – ‘Prison Food and the Reconstruction of Identity: examples from the Balkans’

**Rosie Meek** (Professor, Royal Holloway University of London, UK) & **Hannah Devine- Wright** (Senior Research Fellow, University of Exeter) – ‘Food Production and Consumption in English Prisons’

19:00

Dinner in Brussels

## Saturday 22 September, 2018

9:00 - 9:45

**Keynote Speaker: Linda Kjaer Minke** (Associate Professor, University of Southern Denmark, Denmark) – ‘Food in Danish prisons’

9:45 - 10:30

**Keynote Speakers: Helen Sandwell** (Nutritionist, Food Matters Inside & Out, UK) & **Victoria Williams** (Director of Food Matters) – ‘Food Matters Inside and Out; A whole-prison approach’

10:30 - 11:00

Coffee - Tea

11:00 - 12:30 Panel Session 3

**Esther Jhaes** (Researcher, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium) – ‘Motherhood and food in prison’

**Eline van Hagen** (Master student, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium) – *“A birthday cake and one delicious apple”*. The significance, messages and symbolism of final meals on death row’

**Ayfer Erkul** (PhD Candidate, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium) – *“To administer by force: 1/2 l of milk, 2 eggs, 10 lumps of sugar”*. Hunger strikes in Belgian prisons: an exploratory research (1920- 1940)’

12:30 - 12:45

Concluding remarks by the chairs of the conference (Profs. Kristel Beyens & Peter Scholliers, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium)

12:45 - 13:30

Lunch

14:30 - 17:00

Visit of a Brussels prison