

*Female Initiation in Melanesia Past and Present.*

Convenors: **Pascale Bonnemère and James Leach.**

Salle des Voûtes, Bat 9. Campus St Charles, Aix-Marseille Université

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**14/11/24**

09.15 Arrival/Coffee

09.30. Welcome and Introduction, **Pascale Bonnemère and James Leach.**

10.00. Baruya female initiations (1969 and 2010): ethnography and questions **Pascale Bonnemère.**

11.15. Kasua female initiation (PNG) **Florence Brunois.**

12.30 Lunch – CROUS

14.00 *Se poso* – Climbing up the Banana tree. **Francois Xavier Faucounau**

15.15 ‘Female rituals in the Banks islands the women's role in the renewal of society. **Virginie Lanouguère-Bruneau.**

16.30 Pause

17.00 Comment and Discussion 1. **Laurent Gabail**

19.00 Dinner with Participants

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09.15 Arrival and Coffee

09.30. Dividing the generations. Reflections on old ethnography. **Marilyn Strathern**

10.45. ‘Women’s Spirit House’, Madang (PNG). **James Leach**

12.00 Lunch: CROUS

13.30 Daiden Initiations (PNG). **Anita Von Poser**

14.45 Questions on Kayan female Initiation Knowledge (PNG). **Alexis von Poser**

16.00 Thematic Discussion. **Laurent Gabail, All participants.**

17.15 Workshop Close