



# Demokratie und die Forderung (un)eingeschränkter Selbstbestimmung – Soziologie in Zeiten von umkämpften Reproduktionspolitiken

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## Policy Expertise and Culture – The Case of “Civil Sexuality” in Iran

Modern governments which have placed expertise at the core of their governing have always worked with cultural context to raise arguments for their policies and to legitimize them. In this lecture, I discuss how in a non-democratic and illiberal context of Iranian policy debate, around the national population program, expertise makes use of culture to normalize women’s sexual behavior as part of Islamic culture and integrates it into the Iranian family-planning program.

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