

MOUNIA EL KOTNI

GENDER EXPERT

I am a Medical Anthropologist (PhD SUNY Albany, 2016), author of several scientific articles and general public books, and public speaker. In the past 10 years my work has focused on women's health and gender discriminations and more recently on environmental health. I also provide gender training to Non Governmental Organizations and public institutions in France and Mexico.

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French, Moroccan

Languages

Français : native speaker
English : Full Professional Fluency
Spanish : Full Professional Fluency
Moroccan Arabic : Conversational
Maya-Tseltal : Conversational

Skills

Project management
Gender assessment
Participatory-Action-Research

Recent Prizes & Awards

2019-2021 **Fondation de France**
Fellow, environmental health
2019 **Paris Podcast Festival**,
Best Documentary Award, for the
podcast "Im/patiente"
2018 **Women4Climate** Paris
Mentee, C40 mentoring program

Public engagement

2021 **Speaker**, Paris Public Library
(BPI), conference cycle "Le
féminisme n'a jamais tué personne"
2019 **Speaker**, roundtable "When
women take the lead", third annual
Women4Climate conference, Paris.
2017-2020 Co-founder of the
organization **Bas Les Pailles** (plastic
straw ban on 01/2021 in France)

Technical skills

Microsoft Office suite / Macintosh/
Adobe Indesign /
Data analysis: Nvivo software

HIGHER EDUCATION

2016 **Anthropology**, PhD State University of New York at Albany, SUNY
2010 M.A., **Ethnology & Cultural Anthropology**, EHESS Paris
2008 B.A., **Cultural Anthropology**, Lyon 2 University
2007 B.A., **Political Science**, Lyon 2 University

WORK EXPERIENCE

2018 - present **Gender Expert** Independent Consultant

- **F3E** Update of the index cards "Gender and development" in an intersectional perspective. Dec 2020-Feb 2021.
- **Comité Catholique Contre la Faim et pour le Développement (CCFD-Terre Solidaire)** Gender Diagnostis. Paris, Oct 2018-Mai 2019
- **F3E, Coordination Sud and French Development Agency (AFD)**, Design and implement a training on "Integrating Gender in Development projects" for the NGOs beneficiary of the Fisong program. Paris, Oct. 2018
- **Mexican Agency for Cooperation (AMEXCID) et Programme des United Nations Development Program (UNDP)**, Design and implement a training on "Implementing a Gender Strategy", Mexico DF, Juil. 2018
- **F3E, Coordination Sud, and French Development Agency (AFD)**, Design and implement a training on "Integrating Gender in Development projects" for the NGOs beneficiary of the Fisong program. Paris, Mai 2018

2019- 2021 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, **Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS)**, Centre d'Etudes des Mouvements Sociaux (Cems) "Maya Women's Movements for Environmental Justice." Fondation de France Fellow.

2016, 2017, 2019 4 months, **Research Assistant SUNY Albany** "Transnational Lives", Guatemala,

- Interview Maya-Mam health personnel and families on local governance and international migration.

2017, 12 months, **Researcher** **Fabrique des Territoires Innovants**, Paris

- "Ageing well in rural France" project

2017, 3 months, **Project Manager** **Simplon.co**, Paris

- Creator and coordinator of the 4-week training for the "Women in Tech" program

2012-2016 **SUNY Albany**, New York, **Doctoral Student in Anthropology**

- Fieldwork (13 months) in Mexico for the doctoral research " Biomedical Training and the Vernacularization of Human Rights in Chiapas"

2013, 4 months, **Consultant** **Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)**,

- Evaluate the impact of funding on 100 indigenous organizations in Latin America

2011-2012, 10 months, **Project Manager** **Animafac**, Paris

- Plan and deliver trainings to 50 student organizations.

ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Organized sessions

2021 *Laboring from Home: Reflections on the tolls of reproductive labor and the way forward*. Roundtable co-organizer, with Veronica Miranda (Santa Clara University) and Lydia Z. Dixon (Southern California University). American Anthropological Association annual meeting online, November 19.

2018 *Examining the Challenges and Productive Possibilities of Collaborative Academic Writing from a Feminist Perspective*. Roundtable Chair, with Veronica Miranda (Santa Clara University) and Lydia Z. Dixon (Southern California University). American Anthropological Association annual meeting in San Jose, November 14-18.

Papers

2021 "Soigner le corps, protéger la terre : l'analogie du corps-territoire dans la lutte contre les violences obstétricales au Mexique", HYPMEDPRO conference « Le corps maternel à l'épreuve du 'progrès' : perspectives internationales sur la techno-obstétriques et ses critiques » March 13

2020 "Intersections entre justice climatique et justice reproductive", International congress "Femmes, jeunes et justice climatique", organized by Collectif des Femmes, Louvain, Belgium, March 3.

2019 "Obstetric violence, a global struggle? Exploring the intersections between reproductive rights and social/racial injustice in Latin America and Europe" with Chiara Quagliariello. XI AFIN International Conference in Granada, Spain, September 4-7.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

2021 Co-author with Maëlle Sigonneau *Im/patiente. Une exploration féministe du cancer du sein* éd. First.

2021 Co-editor of the collective work *Las parterías tradicionales en América Latina: cambios y continuidades ante un etnocidio programado*. Luscinia CE.

2020 Co-author of *Notre Corps, Nous-Mêmes* éd. Hors d'Atteinte. New French edition of *Our Bodies, Ourselves*

Articles

Forthcoming "L'injustice obstétricale : une approche intersectionnelle des violences obstétricales" with Chiara Quagliariello *Cahiers du Genre* special issue on obstetric violence.

2020 "Defending Indigenous Midwifery: Finding a Common Path Among Researchers, Midwives, and Activists." *Annals of Anthropological Practice* 44(2) :192- 197.

2019 "The Impact of Healthcare Reforms in Mexico. A Tale of Three Midwives", with L. Z. Dixon et V. Miranda, *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology* 24(2):351-369.

2019 "Regulating Traditional Mexican Midwifery through Training: Practices of Control and Strategies of Resistance." *Medical Anthropology: Cross-Cultural Studies in Health and Illness* 38(2):137-151.

2018 "La place du consentement dans les expériences de violences obstétricales au Mexique" *Autrepart* 85 2018/1: 39-55.

MEDIA COVERAGE

2021 "Accoucher et résister à Abya Yala avec Mounia El Kotni, #30", *N'Autre Histoire* Available at <https://podcasts.apple.com/fr/podcast/30-accoucher-et-r%C3%A9sister-%C3%A0-abya-yala-avec-mounia-el-kotni/id1511417581?i=1000532737954>

2021 "Série Forum Génération Égalité : Mounia El Kotni", ep 3, *Expertes en tous genre(s)*. Available at <https://podcast.ausha.co/expertes-en-tous-genre-s/serie-forum-generation-egalite-episode-n03-mounia-el-kotni>

2021 "Mounia El Kotni, autonomie et justice reproductive", ep 19, *Les femmes sages*. Available at <https://podcast.ausha.co/les-femmes-sages/episode-19-mounia-el-kotni-autonomie-et-justice-reproductive>

2020 "Notre corps, nous-mêmes : connaître son organisme pour être libre", France 24, march 6.

2019 "Mouvement pour le climat : dans toutes les luttes, les femmes sont présentes" Amélie Quentel, *Les Inrocks* <https://www.lesinrocks.com/2019/03/14/actualite/actualite/mouvement-pour-le-climat-dans-toutes-les-luttes-les-femmes-sont-presentes/>