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Seminar Addressing psychosocial decontextualisation through active citizenship

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The lack of contextualisation of the science and applications of psychosocial interventions is the source of a large part of their criticisms. In this seminar we will see how this decontextualisation enables the use of this knowledge as social control devices, ignoring the role that social dynamics play themselves in the development and maintenance of mental health and psychosocial well-being. The content of the seminar will call for greater contextualisation in the research and practise of disciplines related to psychosocial wellbeing through the awareness of gender, socioeconomic, functional and ethnic inequalities. We will also discuss how the concepts of citizenship, empowerment and participation, applied to the field of psychosocial interventions may enable the actual application of this need for contextualisation, while we warn of the dangers of its abuse and the appropriation by the establishment of these concepts.