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## solidarity works # 3 Migration and Domestic Work: The Collective Organisation of Women and their Voices from the City

Book Launch - Sue Ledwith and Gaye Yilmaz

Monday, **January 15, 2017**, 6-8pm • Seminarstraße 20 • Room 15/E27

Sue Ledwith and Gaye Yilmaz will present their new book »Migration and Domestic Work: The Collective Organisation of Women and their Voices from the City«. With female migrants dominating low paid and ever-expanding domestic work worldwide, this book brings together the voices of 120 migrating women of 28 national identities and 10 different religious affiliations. Through their own accounts, the study explores the intersecting multiple and gendered identities women carry from their home countries and how these are reshaped, challenged, changed, or not, as they encounter different structures, traditions and cultural codes in their new countries. With women's propensity for collective organising, whether via community, social movements or trade unions as a central theme, the authors also bring together issues of migration, work and identity with trade union and community organizing.

**Sue Ledwith** is Emerita Scholar in International Labour and Trade Union Studies, Ruskin College, Oxford, UK. Also an activist, Sue Ledwith has researched and published in the field of gender democracy and labour movements for 25 years.

**Gaye Yilmaz** focuses in her work on political economy. She has also actively taken part in the struggles of vulnerable groups such as Kurds, workers, women and LGBTI. She worked for Turkish labour unions between 1996 and 2008. She was also one of 1128 academics who signed a petition urging the government to make peace with the Kurdish people.

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