



**The Mumbai Münster Institute of Advanced Studies (MMIAS)  
University of Mumbai**

Invites you to an online lecture on

**Thinking Decolonially Through a Feminist Intersectional Lens**

In the MMIAS International Interdisciplinary Lecture Series 2023

by

**Professor Avtar Brah**

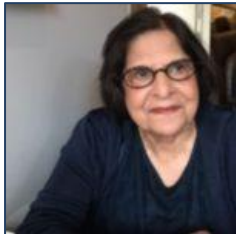
Professor Emerita at Birkbeck College, University of London

**Chairperson: Professor Vibhuti Patel**

Vice President, Indian Association for Women's Studies, and Retired Professor, TISS, Mumbai

**Date: 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 | Time: 3:00 PM IST / 9:30 AM in London, UK**

The lecture will explore how the category of 'migrant' is socially constructed and how this figure is impacted by the British policies that have been grouped under the rubric of 'Hostile Environment'. It will differentiate between 'colonisation' and 'decoloniality' and examine their relationality as both concept and practice. The lecture will examine how British 'Black' feminism developed by women of Asian, African, and Caribbean background enact Decolonial politics. It will address questions of borders and boundaries and how these are played out socially and politically. The lecture will conclude by a brief focus on how diasporas are created and played out, and how politics of alliance and solidarity are brought to the fore through the development of 'insurgent cosmopolitanism'.



**Avtar Brah** is Professor Emerita at Birkbeck College, University of London. Her research covers fields of race and ethnicity, decolonial theory, diaspora studies, intersectionality studies, and, feminist and social theory. Her books include: *Cartographies of Diaspora/Contesting Identities*; *Hybridity and Its Discontents: Politics, Science, Culture* (edited with Annie E. Coombes); *Thinking Identities*; and *Global Futures*, both edited with Mary J. Hickman and Mairtin Mac an Ghaill. Her most recent book is *Decolonial Imaginings/Intersectional Conversations and Contestations*, published by Goldsmiths and MIT press, June 2022. She was appointed MBE in 2001, for services to race, gender and ethnic identity issues. She has been visiting professor at the University of California, 1992, and Cornell University, 2001.



**Vibhuti Patel** is currently Vice President of Indian Association for Women's Studies. She retired as Professor, Advanced Centre for Women's Studies, School of Development Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, in 2020. Prior to that, she retired as Professor and Head of Economics Department of SNDT Women's University, Mumbai, in 2017. She was Director, Post Graduate Studies and Research of SNDT Women's University from 2006-2012. She did her doctorate in economics from University of Mumbai and was awarded a post-doctoral fellowship from the Association of Commonwealth Universities in 1992 to conduct research at The London School of Economics and Political Science, U.K. Her areas of specialisation have been Gender Economics, Women's Studies, Human Rights, Social Movements and Gender Budgeting.

**Zoom details**

**Meeting ID - 843 3692 4880 | Passcode - 564375**

**Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84336924880?pwd=Q0JnVDJlTS9PRlo2WFhIR1dTZUIHQ09>

**Hosted by: Professor Nilufer E. Bharucha, Co-Director, MMIAS, University of Mumbai**