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Que(e)rying Political Practices in Europe contributes to an understanding of the conditions upon which politics of inclusion, participation, social justice, and equality rest. It illuminates how the paradigms of political discourses constitute, consolidate, and contest the meaning and cultural significance of gender and sexuality in modern, democratic, capitalist European societies.

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