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Trans and Social Change Developments in the Federal Republic of Germany and Beyond

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Social change regarding trans has evolved within an expanding nexus of concepts, practices, regulations, and institutions. Adrian de Silva traces how, in a context of heteronormative hegemony, sexology, the law, federal politics, and the trans movement interacted to generate or challenge concepts of trans(sexuality) from the mid-1960s to the present in the Federal Republic of Germany. He also addresses international developments in the field of trans that impacted on the national development.

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