Other-Regarding Shame

Shame is often understood as an emotion that involves a negative evaluation of one’s own self. While I agree that shame is an emotion and that it involves a negative evaluation of a self, I do not agree that the object of evaluation necessarily has to be one’s own self. In this talk, I want to introduce what I call other-regarding shame, i.e. shame not (only) for myself but also by someone else, for someone else, or with someone else. I will introduce different forms of other-regarding shame and discuss the differences between those forms with respect to the object of evaluation.