The Cities, Mobility and Membership Research Collaborative Launch

30-31 October 2019

Sala Europa - Villa Schifanoia, Via Boccaccio 121 - Florence

Scientific Organiser:

Liav Orgad | Director, Global Citizenship Governance, Robert Schuman Centre, European University Institute, Florence

Introduction

The Cities, Migration and Membership Research Collaborative will launch its initial symposium focusing on the topic of cities and mobility. The event brings together scholars, practitioners and policy-makers from around the globe with the objective of advancing empirical and normative research to understand and meet the challenges posed by human mobility to cities in the 21st Century.

The Cities, Migration and Membership Research Collaborative supports interdisciplinary research and promotes integrated approaches to conceptual and evidence-based research and policy analysis on the topic of cities and human mobility. Understanding human mobility patterns, their impact on cities, and the role that cities can play for human mobility and the integration of different communities requires an approach that includes the insights of different disciplines, methods and data.

Cities are actively looking for new ways of doing business to foster opportunities and meet the challenges they face. They are entering into national and global networks with other cities to exchange information and share “best practices”. They are organising themselves to influence national policy, and intervening in international legal and policy processes. The Cities, Migration and Membership Research Collaborative engages with city efforts by providing normative frameworks, data and analysis to help advance policies that welcome and effectively incorporate migrants into cities.
Draft Programme

30 October

12.30-13.00 Welcome and registration

13.00-13.30 Opening Remarks

Brigid Laffan | Director, Robert Schuman Centre, European University Institute, Florence

Alex Aleinikoff | Director, Zolberg Institute on Migration and Mobility; Professor, The New School, New York

Liav Orgad | Director, Global Citizenship Governance, Robert Schuman Centre, European University Institute, Florence

13.30-14.30 Keynote Address: Cities vs States: Will the Citizenship of the Future be Urban?

Rainer Bauböck | Chair, Commission for Migration and Integration Research, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna; Part-time Professor, Robert Schuman Centre, European University Institute, Florence

Moderator:

Federico Tomasello | Research Associate, Global Citizenship Governance, Robert Schuman Centre, European University Institute, Florence; Adjunct Professor, Department of Political Sciences, Law and International Studies, University of Padua, Padua

14.30-16.00 Panel 1: Human Mobility and Adaptive Urbanism

Michael A. Cohen | Professor, New School University; Director of the Doctoral Program in Public and Urban Policy the New School, New York

Achilles Kallergis | Director, Cities and Migration Program, Zolberg Institute on Migration and Mobility, The New School, New York

Stephen Minas | Professor, School of Transnational Law, Peking University, Beijing (TBC)

Mukta Naik | Fellow, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi (connecting via Skype)

Moderator:

Lucy Earle | Principal Researcher, Human Settlements, International Institute for the Environment and Development (IIED), London

16.00-16.30 Coffee Break
16.30-18.00  Panel 2: Cities as Places of Refuge

**Randall Hansen** | Interim Director, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy; Director, Centre for European, Russian and Eurasian studies; Professor, Political Science, University of Toronto, Toronto

**Karen Jacobsen** | Leir Chair in Global Migration, Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy, Tufts University, Medford

**Hervé Nicolle** | Co-Founder and Co-Director, Migration Pillar Lead, Samuel Hall

Moderator:
**Charles Simpson** | Program Administrator, Feinstein International Center, Tufts University, Boston

18.00-19.00  Panel 3: Migrant Self-Narratives and the City

Film Screening

**Alessandro Triulzi** | Professor of African studies, Istituto Universitario Orientale, Naples; Chair of Archive of Migrant Memories, Rome

**Dagmawi Yimer** | Cinematographer; Co-chair of Archive of Migrant Memories, Rome

19.30-21.30  Welcome Dinner for Collaborative Members and Panelists

**31 October**

9.00-10.00  Keynote Address: A Multiscalar Perspective on Migrants and City Making

**Ayse Caglar** | Professor, Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, Vienna University; Permanent Fellow, Institute of Human Sciences (IWM), Vienna

Moderator:

**Tiziana Caponio** | Marie Curie Fellow, Migration Policy Centre, Robert Schuman Centre, European University Institute, Florence; Associate Professor, Dynamics and Policies of Migration, University of Turin, Turin
10.00-11.15  Panel 1: Migration, Populism and Local Governance

Ahmet İçduygu | Dean, College of Social Sciences and Humanities at Koç University; Director, Migration Research Center at Koç (MiReKoc), Istanbul

Loren Landau | South African Research Chair in Human Mobility and the Politics of Difference at the African Centre for Migration and Society, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg

Hans Vorländer | Chair, Political Theory and History of Political Thought, TU Dresden; Director of the Mercator Forum on Migration and Democracy – MIDEM, Dresden

Moderator:
Alex Aleinikoff | Director, Zolberg Institute on Migration and Mobility; Professor, The New School, New York

11.15-11.30  Coffee Break

11.30-13.00  Panel 2: Digital Citizenship

Rosário Daugbjerg | Project Manager, Citizenship and Participation Division, Cascais Municipality, Lisbon

Laura Kirchner | Consulting Project Manager, Citibeats

Liav Orgad | Director, Global Citizenship Governance, European University Institute, Florence

Moderator:
Dori Klagsbald | Faculty of Law, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC), Herzliya

13.00-14.30  Lunch

14.30-15.30  Roundtable Discussion: Handbook on Cities and Migration

Moderators:
Ahmet İçduygu | Dean, College of Social Sciences and Humanities at Koç University; Director, Migration Research Center at Koç (MiReKoc), Istanbul

Jan Räth | Professor and Chair, Department of Sociology, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam

15.30-15.45  Closing Remarks and End of Symposium

16.00-18.00  Roundtable: Solidifying the Collaborative’s Mission

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