

Programme of the ESA RN 35 Midterm Conference

Belongings and Borders – Biographies, Mobilities, and the Politics of Migration

MISHA, Allée Rouvillois, 67000 Strasbourg

24-25 January 2019

Thematic outline of the conference:

Current political and media discourses on the questions of “integration”, “belonging” and “borders” are dominated by the perspectives of Western nation states. The objective of this midterm conference of the Research Network 35 “Sociology of Migration” of the European Sociological Association (ESA) is to shift the focus to the perspectives of those who are labeled and talked about in these debates and who become the target of ever-more complex and differentiated border and mobility regimes. This conference will, in other words, interrogate the way belongings and borders are presently challenged and reshaped on different levels (local, national, international) and how biographical perspectives in migration research can shed new light on these processes.

Thématique de la conférence « Appartenances et frontières - Biographies, mobilités et politiques migratoires »

Les discours politiques et médiatiques actuels sur les questions d’« intégration », d’« appartenance » et de « frontières » sont dominés par les points de vue des États-nations occidentaux. L’objectif de cette conférence mi-parcours du réseau de recherche 35 « Sociologie des migrations » de l’Association européenne de sociologie (ESA) est de recentrer le débat sur le point de vue des personnes qui sont désignées et abordées dans ces discussions, et qui deviennent la cible de politiques frontalières et de mobilité de plus en plus complexes et différenciées. En d’autres termes, cette conférence réinterrogera la manière dont les appartenances et les frontières sont actuellement remises en cause et transformées à divers niveaux (local, national, international), et dont l’approche biographique dans l’étude des migrations peut apporter un nouvel éclairage sur ces processus.

Thursday, January 24 2019

- 8:30-9:00 Arrival of the participants
- 9:00-9:15 **Opening of the conference** (Salle de Conférence): Nalini Anantharaman (Representative of USIAS), Jean-Daniel Boyer (Dean of the Faculty of Social Science of the University of Strasbourg, Vice-Director of DynamE, Didier Breton (Director of the MISHA), Maria Leprévost (UFA/DFH)
- 9:15-9:45 **Introduction:** Catherine Delcroix (Migreval, RN35 board member), Ursula Apitzsch (USIAS, Migreval): Belongings and Borders – Biographies, Mobilities and the Politics of Migration
- 9:45-10:45 **Keynote: Monica Massari** (University of Milan) – Lives that do (not) matter. Doing research on migration and the spectacle of suffering and resistance across the Mediterranean
- 11:00-13:00 **Parallel sessions:**
1. **The labor market as a context of integration (Salle de Conférence)**
Chair: Catherine Delcroix (University of Strasbourg)
 - Anja Bartel (University of Strasbourg): Experiences and professional strategies of refugees – A biographical evaluation of conditions of arrival and integration policies in the city of Strasbourg
 - Patricio Hernan Straccia and Cristian Escobar-Decoud (University of Buenos Aires): Trajectories and experiences of migration amongst Paraguayan workers in forestry production (Paraná’s Lower Delta, Buenos Aires, Argentina)
 - Kristina Seidelsohn (FU Berlin) and Andreas Hirseland (Institute for Employment Research, Nuremberg): Transitions of refugees into gainful employment - Between employment integration policies, administrative acts and individual biographies
 - Ekaterina Bagreeva (Plekhanov University of Economics, Russia): European “know-how” in integration of refugees: Comparative analysis of Norway, Italy, Portugal, Bulgaria and Germany
 - Constance Perrin-Joly (University Parix XIII): Going back to do business in your country of origin. Professional migration and professional identity of Ethiopian entrepreneurs from the diaspora

 2. **Citizenship, belonging, and participation (Salle de la Table ronde)**
Chair: Abdoulaye Ngom (University of Strasbourg)
 - Paola Bonizzoni (University of Milano): Legal transitions. Understanding migrant’s (il)legalization biographies
 - Rachel Waerniers and Lesley Hustinx (Gent University): Young immigrants’ narratives on citizenship, identity and belonging in Belgium
 - Iraklis Dimitriadis (University of Milano-Bicocca), Maricia Fischer-Souan (University Carlos III, Madrid) and Fabio Quassoli (University of Milano): Citizenship acquisition among Spanish and Italian migrants in the EU
 - Sara Park (Kobe University): Family as borderland: Multicultural families in Japan and the meaning of Japanese-ness
 - Christoph Schwarz (Philips-University Marburg): The Rif Republic, remembered across the Mediterranean. Collective memory and political socialization in the European Hirak-solidarity movement

3. Professional practices in an age of migration (politics) (Salle Océanie, 140)

Chair: Elise Pape (University of Strasbourg)

- Manfred Oberlechner (University of Education Salzburg): Institutionalization of Inclusive Migration Pedagogy as an Academic Discipline in the Context of Austrian Teacher Training
- Michelle Proyer (University of Vienna): Recently migrated teachers in Austria. Questions of (Re-)professionalisation in the context of education
- Kaja Skowronska (University of Nantes): Stakeholders and gatekeepers: Alliances, negotiations, and conflicts among actors of the field of migration policy in Poland
- Janina Glaeser and Darja Klingenberg (Goethe University of Frankfurt): Intimate Negotiations of Diversity as Part of Early Childhood Care Work. A Comparative Discussion of French and German Labor Conditions
- Mariagrazia Santagati (Catholic University Milano) and Rita Bertozzi (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia): A biographical evaluation of educational policies: the perspective of successful immigrant students

13:00-14:30 **Lunch**

14:30-16:30 **Parallel sessions:**

4. Migrant activism and the challenging of borders and belongings (Salle de Conférence)

Chair: Kenneth Horvath (University of Lucerne)

- Robin Vandevoordt and Gert Verschraegen (University of Antwerp): Civil solidarity and the hunt for undocumented migrants. Resisting the bio-politics of immigration policies in Brussels North
- Anne Kristol, Joanna Menet, Jahine Dahinden and Carolin Fischer (University of Neuchâtel): Doing belonging through gender equality: institutional categorizations and individual positioning
- Lena Kahle (University of Hildesheim): Challenging inner Borders: Belonging between National Position and Subjective Positioning
- Niels Uhlendorf (Leuphana University Lüneburg): Pressure of self-optimization in the context of migration: Discursive ‘promises’ of belonging and biographical appropriations
- Harald Bauder (Ryerson University): Transnational perspectives of urban sanctuary and solidarity

5. The impact of policies, social spaces, and local contexts (Salle de la Table Ronde)

Chair: Anna Schnitzer (University of Zurich)

- Daniel Bertaux (University of Strasbourg): Immigration, xenophobia, failed integration, rage ... Explosive interactive dynamics
- Stefania Adriana Bevilacqua (Sapienza University Rome): Migrants in small municipalities: Present and future
- Daniela Gruber (University of Innsbruck): Social networks of migrants from Pakistan and Germany in South Tyrol - Beyond a cultural essentialist view on integration
- Ana Kralj (University of Ljubljana): Living with/on the border: Border as a distinction, metaphor and discourse

6. Borders and biographies (Salle Océanie, 140)

Chair: Lena Inowlocki (Goethe University of Frankfurt)

- Marta Eichsteller (University of Bangor): Biographies of globalization – the study of biographical adjustments in the global perspective

- Adelina Miranda (University of Poitiers) : Rencontres entre chercheur.e.s et sujets multilocalisés
- Joana Sousa Ribeiro (University of Coimbra): Boundaries, Borders and Belongings: from governmentality to ontologies in migration research
- Stefania Tusini (Università per Stranieri di Perugia): Postmodern borders. The European externalization policy to stop migration
- Pinelopi Vergou (University of Thessaly): Borders within the cities: refugee education and belonging. A case study in Greece

16:30-17:00 **Coffee break**

17:00-18:00 **Keynote: Monika Salzbrunn** (University of Lausanne) – Constructing local belonging through art and activism in a context of increasing anti-migration politics on a local, regional and national level. What migration studies can learn from Belleville and Maddalena La Superba (Salle de Conférence)

18:00-19:00 **RN35 Business meeting (Salle de Conférence)**

19:30 **Dinner**

Friday, January 25 2019

9:00-10:00 **Keynote: David Bartram** (University of Leicester) – The UK Citizenship Process: Integration or Marginalization? (Salle de Conférence)

10:00-12:00 **Parallel sessions:**

7. **Gender and migration experience (Salle de Conférence)**

Chair: Ursula Apitzsch (Goethe University of Frankfurt)

- Anne-Iris Romens (University of Padua): "Managing the child, this was the most important difficulty". Policies and trajectories of graduate migrant mothers in Veneto and Alsace
- Anıl Al-Rebholz (Okan University): Translating Manhood: Performances of Cultural Translation by Men of Kurdish, Turkish and Moroccan Origin in German Marriage Migration Context"
- Dunja Poleti Ćosić (University of Belgrade): Interplay between domestic violence and international migration – experiences of Serbian migrant women in France and Germany
- Mais Masadeh (Ruhr University Bochum): The Arrival Experiences of Female Yazidi Survivors in the Post Conflict of the Islamic State
- Franziska Schreyer and Tanja Fendel (IAB Nürnberg): Educational and Working Biographies of Female Refugees and Activating Integration Policies in Germany
- Rosa Gatti (University of Naples Federico II): Citizenship practices of immigrant women in the local urban environments

8. **Biographical strategies of integration (Salle de la Table Ronde)**

Chair: Sarra Chaïeb (University of Strasbourg)

- Faime Alpagu (University of Vienna): Migration experiences in letters of "guest

workers" from Turkey living in Austria

- Helena Deiß, Lisa Möhlen and Linda Kreuter (University of Vienna): “We have to be very fast very powerful (...)”. An Analysis of the complex situation young refugees’ face after their arrival in Austria
- Kamil Luczaj (UITM Rzeszow): Recruitment of Foreign-born Academic Instructors in Semi-peripheries. Planned strategy or a “dart throw”?
- German Mendzheritskiy (Frankfurt City Administration): Refugees in Germany in 2015-2017. From crossing the Balkans with a backpack to integration in Germany
- Sarah Bernhard and Stefan Bernhard (IAB Nürnberg): A Question of Belonging: Biographies, Networks and Everyday Experiences in Refugees’ Language Acquisition

9. Dynamic borders and their various actors (Salle Océanie, 140)

Chair: Jana Häberlein (Independent researcher)

- Jana Häberlein (Independent researcher): Making sense of excluding migrants: Different perspectives and positionalities within the Swiss Border Guard
- Claudia Wilopo (University of Basel): Contesting local border practices: Illegalized migrants’ acts of citizenship in the Canton of Zurich
- Daniela Trucco (University Nice Sophia Antipolis): From trouble to action: understanding inhabitants’ mobilizations “against migrants” in Ventimiglia
- Birte Wassenberg (University of Strasbourg): The consequences of the 2015 refugee crisis for EU borders and migration politics
- Claudia Paraschivescu, Lucas Oesch and Birte Nienaber (University of Luxembourg): Asylum seekers’ and refugees’ lived experiences of borders and (im)mobility. The case of Luxembourg

12:00-13:30 **Lunch**

13:30-15:30 **Parallel sessions**

10. “Doing” biographical evaluation of policies – Workshop around interview excerpts with migrants and professionals (Salle de Conférence)

Chair: Aby Faye (University of Strasbourg)

- Migreval Team (University of Strasbourg)

11. Migration experiences of families and children (Salle de la Table Ronde)

Chair: Dilek Cindoglu (Hamad Bin Khalifa University)

- Francesca Giangrande (Molise University): Marriages and family reunions in the glocal era
- Chiara Massaroni (University of Innsbruck): Dynamics of agency and power in school: Exploring migrant children’s narratives of inclusion and exclusion
- Laura Oso-Esomi (Universidade da Coruña) and Laura Suárez-Grimalt (University of Barcelona): Latin American migration to Spain and social mobility: A biographical and transnational approach for the study of family social trajectories
- Christian Schramm (Ruhr University Bochum): The analysis of dynamics of change in transnational family figurations – a biographical approach to the study of Ecuadorian

families living between Spain and Ecuador

- Gordana Vuksanović (Novi Sad Business School): Emigrants from Serbia – two models of emigrant strategy

12. Rethinking national belonging through migration (Salle Océanie, 140)

Chair: Kenneth Horvath (University of Lucerne)

- Margit Fauser (University of Bielefeld): Local border policies and practices
- Isobel Clarke (Royal College of Music): The contribution of European migrant musicians to the developing of Early Music movement in the United Kingdom (1939–1973)
- Meltem Yılmaz Şener (University of Oslo): Adaptation and identity shifts after migration and return migration: Turkish qualified returnees from Germany and the US
- Tabea Schroer (Leibniz University Hannover): ‘Boundary Management’ – A new approach for theorizing the interplay of belongings and boundaries on the micro-level

15:45-16:45 **Concluding remarks and plenary discussion**

Kenneth Horvath (University of Lucerne), Lena Inowlocki (Goethe University Frankfurt) & Elise Pape (University of Strasbourg)

Location of the conference

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The **MISHA** can be reached by **public transportation** with the Tram C direction “Neuhof/Rodolphe Reuss” or Tram F direction “Place d’Islande” by getting off at the stop “**Observatoire**”.

The three conference rooms within the MISHA are:

Salle de Conférence (ground floor)

Salle de la Table Ronde (ground floor)

Salle Océanie, 140 (first floor)

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