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Event Details

Transforming Mobility and Immobility: Brexit and Beyond

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Conférence

Start date : 28 March 2019 10:00 Date de fin : 29 March 2019 18:45

Where: Sheffield

Hosted by: University of Sheffield

Information sources:

https://mrg.group.shef.ac.uk/future-events/international-conference-transforming-mobility-and-immobility-brexit-and-beyond/

This conference is organised by the Migration Research Group (MRG) at the University of Sheffield in collaboration with the Centre of Migration Research (CMR) at the University of Warsaw. Supported by IMISCOE and by the Noble Foundation's Programme on Modern Poland.

Confirmed speakers include:

Professor Nira Yuval Davis, University of East London Professor Bryan Turner, Australian Catholic University and Potsdam University Professor Feargal Cochrane, University of Kent Professor Pawel Kaczmarczyk, University of Warsaw Dr Majella Kilkey, University of Sheffield Professor Louise Ryan, University of Sheffield Professor Peter Scholten, Erasmus University Rotterdam Professor Anna Triandafyllidou, European University Institute Catherine Woollard, European Council on Refugees and Exiles

At the very moment the UK plans to exit the EU, we invite migration scholars to come together to discuss how Brexit cannot be understood in isolation, but must be seen in relation to a geographic, temporal and conceptual 'beyond'. We will collaborate to develop understanding of how on-going events in Europe and worldwide are transforming regimes, patterns and understandings of mobility and immobility.

In the 15 years since the 2004 Enlargement, at local and national scales, European countries have experienced seismic shifts associated with increasing intra-EU mobility, the economic crisis, austerity, the so-called 'refugee crisis', the rise of far-right and other populist sentiments. Brexit is clearly a notable political landmark in the UK's more generalised 'hostile environment', but globally it sits

alongside other significant events such as Trump's 'raising the border' rhetoric in the USA to the forced displacement of the Rohingya from Myanmar.

Following Castles (2010: 1576), we understand these shifts as bound up in broader processes of social transformation in which 'existing social patterns are questioned and many are reconfigured'. A social transformation lens on migration, invites us, therefore, to interrogate what is changing in the politics, policies and practices of mobility and immobility, and what this means for our existing theoretical and conceptual frameworks.

We welcome paper proposals from various disciplines, theoretical and empirical oriented, case-studies and comparative and with relevance to the UK, Europe and beyond on the following themes:

• Shifting mobility and migration policy regimes • Ordering and re-ordering of (im)mobile subjects in shifting regimes: gendered, classed and racialised implications • Rescaling borders and everyday bordering • Bottom-up strategies of individuals and groups to negotiate and resist borders • Social transformation through migration: countries of origin and countries of living perspectives • New and emerging patterns of migration and mobility • Multicultures in place and understandings of integration in local contexts • Understanding and responding to the politicisation of borders and migration

Practical informations:

Important information:

Day 1 of the conference is dedicated to doctoral research. PhD students will be given the opportunity to showcase their research, 'work in progress' and emerging research findings.

The Conference Opening Plenary and a wine reception will take place on the evening of Day 1 for all conference participants. Day 2 of the conference will include paper presentations from post-doctoral level researchers / academics and further plenary sessions.

Submission of paper proposals should include a 250-word abstract. The deadline for submitting paper proposals is 10th October 2018.

Applicants will be notified about the acceptance of their paper proposals by mid-November 2018, at which point the conference registration system will open.

Please consult the conference webpage for more details and information on how to submit:

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Mobility

For the Mobile Lives Forum, mobility is understood as the process of how individuals travel across distances in order to deploy through time and space the activities that make up their lifestyles. These travel practices are embedded in socio-technical systems, produced by transport and communication industries and techniques, and by normative discourses on these practices, with considerable social, environmental and spatial impacts.

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