





Social remittances and social change in Central Europe

International Conference
University of Warsaw, Main Campus, Ball Room, Tyszkiewicz-Potocki Palace,
Warsaw, 19-20th January 2015

PROGRAMME

Monday, 19th January 2015

9.00-9.30 Registration

9.30-9.45 Welcome by the Director of Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw

9.45-10.00 Welcome by the Deputy Rector of the University of Warsaw, Professor Anna Giza-Poleszczuk

Session 1. Advancing the concept of social remittances

Chair: Dr. Michal P. Garapich, University of Roehampton, London

10.00-10.35 *Social Remittances: Looking Back and Moving Forward*, Professor Peggy Levitt, Sociology Department, Wellesley College

Discussion

10.50-11.20 Coffee break

11.20-11.55 *Unintended consequences of migration in sociological perspective,*Professor Godfried Engbersen, Faculty of Social Sciences, Erasmus University Rotterdam

Discussion

12.10-12.45 Mechanisms of social remittances in the European Union Professor Izabela Grabowska, Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw, University of Social Sciences and Humanities

Discussion

13.00-14.00 Lunch

Session 2. Social remittances and social change in Central Europe

Chair: Professor Izabela Grabowska, Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw, University of Social Sciences and Humanities

14.00-14.30 *Modernising regional Romania by migration,* Professor Dumitru Sandu, Centre for Migration Studies, University of Bucharest

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14.30-15.00 Modernising role of migration. Poland as a case study, Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw, Professor Marek Okolski (TBC) and Dr. Pawel Kaczmarczyk, Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw

15.00- 15.30 Conceptualising social remittances: migration cultures and the 'meso' level?, Professor Anne White, University College London

Discussion

15.45-16.00 Coffee break

16.00-16.30 *Resistance to social remittances*, Dr. Michal Garapich, University of Roehampton, London (partner institution)

16.30-17.00 Social remittances: communication channels and consumption oriented strategies of Latvian migrants, Dr. Elina Apsie-Berina, Department of Human Geography, University of Latvia, Dr. Maris Berzins, Centre for Migration and Urban Studies, Department of Geography, University of Tartu, Professor Zaiga Krisjane, Department of Human Geography, University of Latvia

17.00-17.30 Skills returns- remigration experiences of experts and scientists in the postsocialists transition context of Croatia, Dr. Caroline Hornstein Tomić, Institute of Social Sciences Ivo Pilar, Croatia

Discussion

19.00 Cocktail reception (TBC)

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Session 3. Researching social remittances and social change

Chair: Professor Godfried Engbersen, Erasmus University Rotterdam

9.30- 10.00 Researching into social remittances: Methodological implications, dilemmas and ways ahead, Dr. Paolo Boccagni, University of Trento

10.00-10.30 *Narrating social remittances: different context, different story* Dr. Aleksandra Galasinska, University of Wolverhampton

Discussion

10.45-11.15 Coffee break

11.15-11.45 *Migrants and social change. Case of Polish local societies*, Professor Dariusz Niedzwiedzki, Institute of European Studies, Jagiellonian University, Cracow

11.45-12.15 Return migrants as the actor of social change? The case of Poland, Dr. Mariusz Dzieglewski, Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Pedagogical University of Cracow

12.15-12.45 Discussion

12.45-13.45 Lunch

Session 4. Social remittances from the perspective of communities of destination

Chair: Dr. Agata Gorny, Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw

13.45-14.15 Engendering social remittances- Polish women in Western Europe and intergenerational flows of feminised caring, Dr. Magdalena Slusarczyk and Paulina Pustulka, Jagiellonian University, Cracow

14.15-14.45 The temporality of social remittances: Rapid change and diversification among Polish migrants in Norway, Marta Bivand Erdal, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)

Discussion

15.15-15.45 Coffee break

15.45-16.15 Social remittances and the contemporary Polish society. Evidence from fieldwork in Europe and United States, Dr. Jakub Isanski, Institute of Sociology, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan

16.15-16.45 Women's social remittances and their decision making capacity: A case study of educational migrant's returnee women of Nepal, Laxmi Dhuingel, PhD Student, Kathamandu University

Discussion

17.15-17.30 Invitation to submit papers to the *Special Issue* of *Central and Eastern European Migration Review*, Dr. Agata Gorny Editor-in-Chief, Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw

17.30-18.00 Summary and discussion about the conference, Dr. Michal Garapich, University of Roehampton, London and Professor Izabela Grabowska, Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw, University of Social Sciences and Humanities

18.00 End of the conference