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FOREWORD FROM THE RECTOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LIÈGE



Dear members of the IMISCOE community,

It is my pleasure to open the first IMISCOE Annual Report since the Centre for Ethnic and Migration Studies (CEDEM) of the University of Liège has received the coordination of the Network in April 2022. Hosting the network office at the University of Liège ranks high among the scientific priorities of our University. It is also coherent with the University's strategy with regards to research and education in the area of migration. Beyond the coordination of IMISCOE, this strategy encompasses initiatives like setting up our master in migration studies as part of the EUMIGS network of Master Programmes in Migration Studies and joining in the UNIC European alliance of eight universities that aims to foster transformative modes of teaching, research and learning in superdiverse post-industrial cities.

As shown in this report, the year 2022 has been incredibly busy in terms of scientific activities for the IMISCOE Network. This demonstrates how much your research community has worked to overcome the prolonged effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on scientific exchanges. This report also shows the work accomplished to make your events and scientific activities more inclusive, for instance, by promoting hybrid events and creating a new Executive Committee on Diversity, Equality and Inclusion that promotes inclusivity at all levels within IMISCOE.

As active members of the IMISCOE community, I am sure you are now very familiar with the new names and faces that run your Network Office: Jean-Michel Lafleur, Daniela Vintila, Angeliki Konstantinidou and Marine Maréchal. I however also wish to take the opportunity of this opening word to stress that —behind them— numerous other bodies and individuals are mobilized to make this coordination mandate a success. Besides the colleagues from CEDEM and the Faculty of Social Sciences, our Financial Department, our Legal Services, our Communications Department and countless other individuals across the University are called now and then to ensure that procedures are followed and activities can run smoothly.

I wish you a pleasant reading of this report and look forward to seeing your activities further develop in the coming years.

Anne-Sophie Nyssen

Rector of the University of Liège







2022: A YEAR OF TRANSITION



Reflections from **Jean-Michel Lafleur** and **Daniela Vintila**, new IMISCOE Coordinators at the Centre for Ethnic and Migration Studies (CEDEM) of the University of Liège

This Annual Report is the first that we have published since the Centre for Ethnic and Migration Studies (CEDEM) of the University of Liège assumed the coordination of IMISCOE from Erasmus University Rotterdam (EUR). It hence marks an important moment for our IMISCOE community: the end of a transition and the beginning of a new chapter for our Research Network.

Since CEDEM was elected as the new Coordinating Institute of IMISCOE, our team in Liège has worked tirelessly to ensure a smooth transition and guarantee the continuation of all activities proposed by our successful research network. In this process, we have been fortunate to count on the support of the former IMISCOE Coordinator Prof Peter Scholten and his team—namely Nathan Levy, Adham Aly and Karin Milovanovic—as well as our colleagues from the IMISCOE Board of Directors, the Executive Board, and the Standing and Executive Committees who have contributed in different ways in facilitating the transfer between the two institutions. Moving the coordination of such a large network to a different country and university was a challenging task. This report therefore offers us an opportunity to draw some lessons from this process, which lasted more than 18 months, and to reflect, more broadly, on the sustainability and evolution of our network.

Over the past years, the migration research community experienced three important transformations and, as new Coordinators, we have strived to seize the opportunity of the transition to further adapt our Network to these global changes.

The first transformation is **growth**. The field of migration studies has unquestionably grown over the past decades. This is clearly visible, for instance, when looking at how many research

chers and institutes from different parts of the world are now contributing to this research field. Such growth has also become visible in our IMISCOE community, not only in organizational terms, but also with the emergence of new reflections on our identity and inclusiveness.

At the organizational level, the number of IMISCOE Member Institutes increased from 19 in 2004 to 63 in 2022. Similarly, our flagship event —the IMISCOE Annual Conference— has grown from a few hundred participants less than a decade ago to around 1,300 attendees at the 2022 Conference held in Oslo. Such growth is also further reflected in the increase and diversification of the activities organized by our Standing and Executive Committees, as well as in the impressive number of books published in our IMISCOE Book Series. Yet, despite such growth, IMISCOE's organizational structure mostly relied, until recently, on rules and procedures that were designed when our Network was significantly smaller. As new Coordinators, we hence took the opportunity of the transition and of the signature of a new Consortium Agreement between IMISCOE Member Institutes to propose an adaptation of our governance structure to the new realities. With the help of the legal services of the University of Liège, we went through great lengths to formalize internal procedures within our Network and renegotiate all our contracts and collaborations with third party providers. In coordination with our members and different IMISCOE bodies, we prepared Standing Orders that guide the organization, roles and activities of our governance structures, as well as our Standing and Executive Committees. We further created a new IMISCOE Election Committee to support and oversee the organization of future elections in our Network. Similarly, we worked on the publication of a Code of Conduct to ensure that —as we grow— IMISCOE-sponsored events remain safe and inclusive spaces.

Such growth has also become an opportunity for the IMISCOE Board of Directors, the Executive Board and the Network Office to reflect on our organization's identity and geographical scope. This reflection led to a name change for our Network. The decision regarding the new name "IMISCOE International Migration Research Network" acknowledges that concepts previously included in the old name, such as "integration", "social cohesion" or "Europe", no longer reflect the new scope and positioning of our Network. Most importantly, this name change has been accompanied by concrete policies supporting our new identity and objectives. Among them, our Board of Directors took an important decision to open the organizational structure of the IMISCOE Network to non-European members, in view of fostering global debates on international migration within our research community. This inclusive policy has already opened up institutional membership to research centres in Egypt, Canada and Australia. We have also taken steps to further diversify IMISCOE's individual membership globally beyond OECD and EU Member States. For instance, one of the first measures we proposed as new IMISCOE Coordinators was the implementation of a more inclusive individual membership policy to encourage the participation of colleagues from all over the world in our IMISCOE community. Consequently, beyond the long-established fee difference between senior and junior scholars and members and non-members of IMISCOE, our Board of Directors recently decided on the introduction of reduced individual membership fees for researchers based outside of the EU/OECD. Similarly, we negotiated a new sponsorship agreement with Springer —the owner of the journal *Comparative Migration Studies*— to ensure support for authors based outside of the EU/OECD.

The second major transformation that IMISCOE has had to deal with in recent years stemmed from the **prolonged effect of the COVID19 pandemic**. After two years of online conferences, together with Oslo-based IMISCOE Institutes, we organized in 2022 the first hybrid (and fully blended) IMISCOE Annual Conference. Given the uncertainty of being able to travel to Oslo just a few months prior to the event, we took the decision to plan for a fully hybrid conference that could allow participants unable to travel to still attend the event. Thanks to the outs-



tanding technical facilities of Oslomet, we were able to offer a conference in which all panels were accessible to both on-site and on-line participants. The planning of such a fully-blended conference was a large logistical challenge for the conference hosts and our IMISCOE Network Office. Our post-conference survey has nevertheless confirmed that it was highly appreciated during these difficult times. While fully blended conferences may not become the norm for future IMISCOE events, we also learned that guaranteeing the possibility of some form of on-line participation at our Annual Conference is fundamental for colleagues who are unable to travel on-site due to financial reasons, health and family circumstances, or visa restrictions. As such, the development of our conference platform and our continued investment in a Webex video-conferencing platform constitute additional steps in making our IMISCOE events more inclusive, and a first response to the need for adjusting our practices in the context of the climate crisis.

In 2022, all IMISCOE Executive and Standing Committees pro-actively adapted to the aftermath of the COVID-19 crisis. In the Fall, we organized our first retreat with Standing Committee Coordinators to discuss new procedures and further improvements to our functioning and communication. We also had similar exchanges with the chairs of our Executive Committees. As reflected in this Annual Report, all IMISCOE Committees have been incredibly active and several initiatives were developed and consolidated in 2022. This not only includes the organization of new activities, but also the progress achieved by the PhD Buddy Programme run by IMISCOE's PhD Network and the success of the PhD Academy run by our Training Committee, which have both played an important role in accompanying PhD students in the difficult context of the pandemic.

Overall, our IMISCOE community learned several lessons from this pandemic. Although we already took important steps to make our Network more resilient, some aspects still require our careful consideration for the years to come. Becoming a financially sustainable Network is crucial for ensuring the continuity of our research activities in extremely challenging times like the ones recently experienced. Moreover, since the organization of hybrid events significantly increases the workload for the Network Office and conference hosts, sufficient time and adequate resources need to be ensured when planning for future events. Importantly, considering rising inflation throughout most parts of the world, further reflection is needed on how to ensure both the inclusiveness and feasibility of our future events.

The third global transformation that has impacted IMISCOE is the **Black Lives Matter movement**, which notably triggered the creation of our IMISCOE Anti-Racist Working Group (ARWG) to help the Network become more diverse and inclusive. As new Coordinators, we built on the

commitment and dynamics of the ARWG to support three additional initiatives in this regard. First, we created a new IMISCOE Executive Committee on Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion to ensure that our activities and governance reflect IMISCOE's organizational goals for more inclusivity and diversity. The new Committee already started its work by engaging in frequent dialogue with Standing and Executive Committees, as well as event organizers to promote best practices. Second, in line with the objectives we set for ourselves when applying to become the new Coordinators of IMISCOE, we started working with our Board of Directors and the Executive Board to release a Call for the creation of new IMISCOE Standing Committee around issues of race, racism and discrimination that could give a more prominent place to research on these topics within our network. Third, by deciding to focus the 2023 IMISCOE PhD School on "Critical Reflections on Migration Studies, Racism and Discrimination", the IMISCOE Board of Directors has provided an additional signal that this topic should be given further visibility in our research community.

In conclusion, we hope that this report, while unavoidably reflecting only parts of the incredibly rich activities we developed in 2022, will provide an indication of how active our community was in the past year. We are extremely thankful to all IMISCOE members and friends for your significant contribution in enriching our activities and events in 2022 and we appreciate your strong support during the first year of our mandate. We also wish to thank all our colleagues at the Centre for Ethnic and Migration Studies (CEDEM) and, more generally, the University of Liège for the help received during this initial step of our Coordination mandate.

We hope you enjoyed reading the report and very much look forward to seeing all of you again during our 2023 events.

Jean-Michel Lafleur, *IMISCOE Coordinator*

Daniela Vintila, *IMISCOE Associate Coordinator & Senior Network Officer*



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A WORD FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WIEBKE SIEVERS AND THE CHAIR OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD PARVATI RAGHURAM

2022 was a special year for the IMISCOE Board of Directors and the IMISCOE Executive Board. It was the year of our first live BD meeting after the many online meetings during the pandemic. It was great to see the many colleagues who came to Oslo in person to celebrate this occasion. Sadly, it was the year when Gianni D'Amato and Sarah Spencer chaired their last meetings as BD and EB chairs respectively. We would like to thank both very much for the incredible work they have done over their period of service. We would also like to thank the Board of Directors for electing us to the roles of BD and EB Chairs respectively. Last but not least, it was the year of the transition of the coordinatorship from Erasmus University Rotterdam to the University of Liège, which comes with a new agenda.

The new coordinators, Jean-Michel Lafleur and Daniela Vintila, have promised to make IMISCOE a more diverse and inclusive network while continuing the path towards including more institutional and individual members. We fully subscribe to this vision and believe that our election to our roles is a confirmation that our visions are also where IMISCOE wants to travel and are pleased to be able to help lead this journey with the rest of the IMISCOE family, especially the Network Office.

All of this may sound as if IMISCOE changed completely in this one year. However, we see the year 2022 as bringing both continuity and change. It continues the path of growth that the network has taken since the EU-funded period ended in 2010 and in particular since Rotterdam took over coordinatorship in 2014. We used the transition to Liège to adapt our legal framework to this new IMISCOE reality. We revised the Consortium Agreement and prepared Standing Orders for all governing bodies. This is not the most exciting work, but a growing network needs clear formal rules in order to make sure that it works properly and that steps can be taken by those involved if it does not.

IMISCOE's route towards diversity also has a longer history. The IMISCOE BD took a very important step towards becoming more diverse and inclusive when it installed the Anti-Racist Working Group, chaired by Parvati Raghuram, in response to the Black Lives Matter movements in 2020. The Working Group fostered a seminar series and helped to institute processes for inclusivity during conferences. In 2022, the Working Group became the IMISCOE Executive Committee on Diversity, Equality and Inclusion, which deals with a range of diversity issues. This transition gives diversity a fixed place in the network. The members of the working group and the executive committee have laid the basis for some significant changes at IMISCOE and set the path for the next few years.

However, we do not want to leave it to the executive committee alone to diversify the network. The Executive Board has been very active in contributing to this process. We worked on the IMISCOE Code of Conduct that aims to make sure that everyone involved in IMISCOE activities can work in a safe and respectful environment. We have been working with the conference teams to ensure that IMISCOE's commitment to diversity is evidenced at its' events. We have also explored ways in which we can take the Board of Directors' vision into IMISCOE's organisational structure. We want to ensure we hear the voices of our diverse IMISCOE members. In this vein, we have started to implement a BD decision taken before the pandemic: the installation of an Annual General Meeting (AGM) that includes a brainstorming element that allows BD members to bring in their ideas and get more involved in taking the network forward.

The Board of Directors has collectively agreed to diversify its base and to become more inclusive. These issues of global and regional inclusivity is something we hope to engender and facilitate in our terms. We believe that migration is a global issue which encompasses many different people from various parts of the world. Our knowledge and discussions on this topic will be enriched through this inclusivity and we hope we can play a part in shaping this element of IMISCOE's future in the coming years. We look forward to working with you all in making this come true.

Parvati Raghuram and Wiebke Sievers





ABOUT IMISCOE



This section describes the mission of the IMISCOE Network and its organizational structure.

4.1 OUR MISSION

IMISCOE (International Migration Research Network) is the largest interdisciplinary network of scholars in the field of migration. The Network currently consists of 66 research institutes from different countries around the world and from various disciplines including sociology, political science, anthropology, economics, law, demography, public administration, geography and history.

In 2014, the Network's coordination was transferred from the Institute for Migration and Ethnic Studies of Amsterdam University (with Rinus Penninx as Coordinator) to Erasmus University Rotterdam (with Maurice Crul and Peter Scholten as Coordinators). Erasmus University Rotterdam continued to coordinate IMISCOE also during the period 2018-2022 (with Peter Scholten as Coordinator).

Since April 2022, the coordination of IMISCOE has moved to the Centre for Ethnic and Migration Studies (CEDEM) of the University of Liège, with Jean-Michel Lafleur acting as IMISCOE Coordinator and Daniela Vintila as IMISCOE Associate Coordinator and Senior Network Officer. The Network Office team also includes Angeliki Konstantinidou as Network Officer and Marine Maréchal as Finance Officer (previously Mélanie De Winter).

Over the years, IMISCOE has developed and promoted a wide range of activities, including:

4.2 RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

IMISCOE provides a platform for scholars throughout the world to get together, initiate comparative research and organize joint research projects. The Network supports and maintains a broad range of **Standing Committees** that cover significant topics in migration studies, in line with the special expertise of its members. The development of common lines of study is primarily research-driven. IMISCOE derives its relevance for society in general and for policy and politics in particular from its theory-based, analytical contributions.

4.3 PUBLICATIONS

IMISCOE has established a **book series** with Springer, covering key contributions in the field of migration. To promote the dissemination of research and the widest possible access to research, IMISCOE has become the leading supporter of Open Access publishing in this research area. Most books are available in the **OAPEN** library. Furthermore, the Network also sponsors the Open Access journal **Comparative Migration Studies** owned by Springer.

4.4 EVENTS

Throughout the year, numerous **IMISCOE events** are organized in the context of research collaborations, publication events, PhD trainings, etc. The biggest event on the Network's agenda is the IMISCOE Annual Conference, which has been organized every year since 2004 by different IMISCOE Member Institutes. Other important annual events are the IMISCOE Spring Conference and the IMISCOE PhD School. Besides these annual events, numerous activities are organized throughout the year by the various Standing and Executive Committees of the IMISCOE Network.

4.5 TRAINING & AWARDS

Training of young researchers is an essential task of IMISCOE. By pooling the resources and expertise of its members, the Network facilitates the highest quality training in the field of migration studies. To this aim, the Network provides annual **PhD Schools**, as well as specific training modules at other IMISCOE events. The **IMISCOE PhD Network** and the **IMISCOE PhD Academy** are also an integral part of the IMISCOE Network. Also, every year IMISCOE awards the **Maria Ioannis Baganha Award** to the best PhD thesis in the field of migration, and the **Rinus Penninx Award** for best paper presented at the IMISCOE Annual Conference.



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LIST OF MEMBER INSTITUTES OF IMISCOE

- **CEDEM**- Center for Ethnic and Migration Studies, University of Liège (**Coordinating Institute of IMISCOE**)
- **AMCR**- Amsterdam Centre of Migration Research, University of Amsterdam
- **AMIS**- Centre for Advanced Migration Studies, University of Copenhagen
- **BICC**- Bonn International Centre for Conflict Studies
- **BIRMM**- Brussels Interdisciplinary Research Centre on Migration and Minorities, Vrije Universiteit Brussel
- **CERC in Migration and Integration**- Toronto Metropolitan University
- **CESSMIR**- Centre for the Social Study of Migration and Refugees, Ghent University
- **CGM**- Centre on Global Migration, University of Gothenburg
- **CIES-Iscte**- Centre for Research and Studies in Sociology, University Institute of Lisbon
- **CMR**- Centre of Migration Research, Warsaw University
- **CMRS**- Centre for Migration and Refugee Studies, American University Cairo
- **COMPAS**- Centre on Migration, Policy and Society, University of Oxford
- **DEMIG**- Department for Migration and Globalisation, Danube University Krems

- **DEUSTO**- Research Unit on Migration, Management of Diversity and Social Cohesion, University of Deusto
- **DeZIM**- Deutsches Zentrum für Integrations- und Migrationsforschung
- **ERCOMER**- European Centre on Migration and Ethnic Relations, University of Utrecht
- **ESOMI**- International Migration Sociology Team, University of A Coruña
- **EUI**- European University Institute
- **EUR**- Erasmus University Rotterdam
- **FAFO**- Institute for Labour and Social Research
- **FHSE**- Faculty of Humanities, Education and Social Sciences, University of Luxembourg
- **FIERI**- Forum Internazionale ed Europeo di Ricerche sull'Immigrazione
- **GEOMIGRACE**- Geographic Migration Centre, Charles University
- **GRAMNet**- Glasgow Refugee, Asylum and Migration Network, University of Glasgow
- **GRITIM**- Interdisciplinary Research Group in Immigration, Universitat Pompeu Fabra
- **ICM**- Institut Convergences Migrations
- **ICMPD**- International Centre for Migration Policy Development
- **IES** - Institute for Ethnic Studies, Slovenia
- **IGOT-UL**- Institute de Geografia e Ordenamento de Território, University of Lisboa
- **IMIS**- Institute for Migration Research and Intercultural Studies, University of Osnabrück
- **IML**- International Migration Laboratory, University of Trento
- **INED**- Institut National d'Études Démographiques
- **InZENTIM**- Interdisciplinary Centre for Integration and Migration Research, University of Duisburg-Essen
- **ISF**- Institute for Social Research Oslo
- **ISMU**- Fondazione Ismu - Initiative e Studi sulla Multietnicità
- **ISR**- Institute for Urban and Regional Research, Austrian Academy of Sciences
- **IUEM**- Instituto Universitario de Estudios sobre Migraciones, Universidad Pontificia Comillas de Madrid
- **LIMS**- Leiden Interdisciplinary Migration Seminar, University of Leiden
- **MACIMIDE**- Maastricht Centre for Citizenship, Migration and Development, Maastricht University
- **MDX**- Middlesex University
- **MIDEX**- Lancashire Research Centre for Migration, Diaspora and Exile, University of Central Lancashire

- **MIF**- Migration Institute of Finland
- **MIGLOBA**- The network on migration and global mobility of the University of Antwerp
- **MIM**- Malmö Institute for Studies of Migration, Diversity and Welfare, Malmö University
- **MMIC**- Monash Migration and Inclusion Centre, Monash University
- **MiReKoç**- Koç University
- **MML PLUS**- Salzburg Migration and Mobility Studies Lab
- **MPI-MMG**- Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity
- **NIBR**- Norwegian Social Research, OsloMet University
- **NIDI**- Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute
- **NTNU**- NTNU Social Research Centre for Diversity and Inclusion
- **OU**- Open University
- **PRIO**- Peace Research Institute Oslo
- **REMESO**- Institute for Research on Migration, Ethnicity and Society
- **RUHR-UNIVERSITAET BOCHUM**- Ruhr-Universität Bochum
- **RUNOMI**- Radboud University Network on Migration Inclusion, Radboud University
- **SCIENCES PO**- Sciences Po Paris
- **SCMR**- Sussex Centre for Migration Research, University of Sussex,
- **SFM**- Swiss Forum for Migration and Population Studies, University of Neuchâtel
- **UNISHEF**- University of Sheffield
- **UNIVE**- Ca'Foscari University
- **UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK**- University College Cork
- **UNIVERSITY OF GIRONA**- University of Girona
- **UNIZG**- University of Zagreb
- **URMIS**- Unité de recherches Migrations et Société, Université Côte d'Azur
- **WEI**- Work and Equalities Institute, University of Manchester

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GOVERNANCE OF IMISCOE



This section describes the different governance bodies of IMISCOE, as well as their recent developments in the year 2022.

IMISCOE's governance structure includes the following:

- THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
- THE COORDINATORS & NETWORK OFFICE
- EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES:
 - › DIVERSITY, EQUALITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE
 - › EDITORIAL COMMITTEE
 - › ELECTIONS COMMITTEE
 - › EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
 - › FINANCE COMMITTEE
 - › PHD NETWORK
 - › TRAINING COMMITTEE

6.1 IMISCOE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors (BD) is the central decision-making body of the IMISCOE Network. Formed by representatives of all IMISCOE Member Institutes, the BD takes decisions on the overall strategy and organization of the Network, including the appointment of hosts for our major events, funds allocation, membership policy or the establishment of new Standing and Executive Committees in the Network.

CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (AS OF 2023):

Ahmet İçduygu- Koç University
Anders Neergaard- Institute for Research on Migration, Ethnicity and Society
Andrea Spehar- Centre on Global Migration
Andreas Pott; Helen Schwenken- Institute for Migration Research and Intercultural Studies
Andrew Geddes- European University Institute
Aneta Piekut; Lucy Mayblin- University of Sheffield
Anja van Heelsum/Saskia Bonjour/Bram Lancee- Amsterdam Centre of Migration Research
Anja Weiß- Interdisciplinary Centre for Integration and Migration Research
Anna Triandafyllidou- Toronto Metropolitan University
Benjamin Etzold- Bonn International Centre for Conflict Studies
Birte Nienaber- Faculty of Humanities, Education and Social Sciences, University of Luxembourg
Caitriona Ni Laoire- University College Cork
Dušan Drbohlav- Geographic Migration Centre
Eleonore Kofman- Middlesex University
Ferruccio Pastore- Forum Internazionale ed Europeo di Ricerche sull'Immigrazione
Francesca Campomori- Ca'Foscari University
Francesca Stella- Glasgow Refugee, Asylum and Migration Network, UNiversity
François Héran; Camille Schmoll; Marie-Caroline Saglio-Yatzimirsky- Institut Convergences Migrations
Géraldine Bozec- Unité de recherches Migrations et Société
Gianni D'Amato- Swiss Forum for Migration and Population Studies
Giuseppe Sciortino- International Migration Laboratory
Goranka Lalić Novak- University of Zagreb
Gorka Urrutia Asua- Research Unit on Migration, Management of Diversity and Social Cohesion
Guida Gilardoni- Fondazione Ismu - Initiative e Studi sulla Multietnicità
Hanne Kavli- Institute for Labour and Social Research
Helga de Valk- Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute
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Ilke Adam; Hannah Vermaut- Brussels Interdisciplinary Research Centre on Migration and Minorities

Ilse Derluyn; Floor Verhaeghe - Centre for the Social Study of Migration and Refugees

Inmaculada Serrano- Instituto Universitario de Estudios sobre Migraciones, Universidad Pontificia Comillas de Madrid

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Karlijn Haagsman- Maastricht Centre for Citizenship, Migration and Development

Kristian Tronstad; Marie Louise Seeberg- Norwegian Social Research

Kyoko Shinozaki- Salzburg Migration and Mobility Studies Lab

Lara Momesso- Lancashire Research Centre for Migration, Diaspora, and Exile

Laura Oso- International Migration Sociology Team

Lucinda Fonseca- Institute de Geografia e Ordenamento de Território

Marie Sandberg- Centre for Advanced Migration Studies

Marco Martiniello- Centre for Ethnic and Migration Studies, University of Liège

Margit Fauser- Ruhr-Universität Bochum

Mathias Czaika; Albert Kraler- Department for Migration and Globalisation, Danube University Krems

Milena Belloni- The Network on Migration and Global Mobility, University of Antwerp

Olaf P. van Vliet- Leiden Interdisciplinary Migration Seminar

Òscar Prieto-Flores- University of Girona

Özge Bilgili- European Centre on Migration and Ethnic Relations

Patrick Simon- Institut National d'Études Démographiques

Paul Long- Monash Migration and Inclusion Centre

Parvati Raghuram- Open University

Pascal Beckers- Radboud University Network on Migration Inclusion

Paweł Kaczmarczyk- Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw

Peter Scholten; Godfried Engbersen- Erasmus University Rotterdam

Pieter Bevelander- Malmö Institute for Studies of Migration, Diversity and Welfare

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Veronika Bilger- International Centre for Migration Policy Development

Virginie Guiraudon- Sciences Po

Wiebke Sievers- Institute for Urban and Regional Research, Austrian Academy of Sciences

Zeynep Yanasmayan- Deutsche Zentrum für Integrations- und Migrationsforschung

6.2 IMISCOE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The IMISCOE Executive Board (EB) oversees the management and coordination of the Network and its operation. The EB consists of the IMISCOE Coordinators, the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors and representatives of the Member Institutes elected by the BD.

In 2022, Gianni D'Amato (SFM, University of Neuchatel) served his last year as EB Chair and Parvati Raghuram (Open University) was appointed as the next EB Chair for the period 2022-2026.

You can read the reflections of BD Chair Wiebke Sievers and the EB Chair Parvati Raghuram on the transition process from Rotterdam to Liège at the beginning of this Report. In 2022, Lucinda Fonseca (IGOT) finished her term as EB member and the EB welcomed Ahmet İçduygu (MiReKoc) as new member.

LIST OF EB MEMBERS

EB Members as of March 2022	EB Members as of May 2023
Gianni D'Amato (EB chair)	Parvati Raghuram (EB chair)
Pieter Bevelander	Wiebke Sievers (BD chair)
Lucinda Fonseca	Pieter Bevelander
Eleonore Kofman	Eleonore Kofman
Parvati Raghuram	Ahmet İçduygu
Wiebke Sievers	Òscar Prieto Flores
Sarah Spencer (BD chair)	



6.3 IMISCOE COORDINATORS & NETWORK OFFICE

The IMISCOE Coordinator is the head of the Network Office, responsible for the day-to-day management and coordination of the IMISCOE central administration and its operation.

Since April 2022, the Centre for Ethnic and Migration Studies of the University of Liège is the coordinating institute of IMISCOE. Jean-Michel Lafleur acts as IMISCOE Coordinator and Daniela Vintila as Associate Coordinator and Senior Network Officer. In addition, the IMISCOE central administration also includes Angeliki Konstantinidou as Network Officer. In 2022, Mélanie De Finance and Communication Officer of the Network (replaced in the role of Finance Officer by Marine Maréchal since 2023).

The tasks of the Network Office are extremely diverse and aim to ensure the daily functioning of IMISCOE. They include, among others: preparing and proposing working plans regarding the Network's strategy and organization to the EB and BD; regular exchanges with IMISCOE's institutional and individual members, as well as the Network's governance bodies; supporting all Executive and Standing Committees as well as other IMISCOE groups in the design, implementation and reporting of their work programme; management of all incoming and outgoing financial transactions and proposing an annual network budget to the BD; the formalization of procedures for IMISCOE activities, events, and internal governance structure; guidance, support and monitoring of the organization of all IMISCOE-sponsored events, including the review, registration, scheduling and communication for the Annual Conference; the negotiation and follow up of agreements with third party providers, with hosts of all IMISCOE-sponsored events and with authors publishing their manuscripts in the IMISCOE book series with Springer; the preparation of BD and EB meetings; follow up and support to prospective Institutional Members and other parties wishing to cooperate with IMISCOE; maintenance and update of the IMISCOE website, the Annual Conference platform, the Migration Research Hub, and IMISCOE's social media accounts; preparing annual reports regarding IMISCOE's activities and funds.



Jean-Michel Lafleur

Coordinator



Daniela Vintila

Associate Coordinator and Senior Network Officer



Angeliki Konstantinidou

Network Officer



Marine Maréchal

Finance Officer (since February 2023)



Mélanie De Winter

Finance & Communication Officer

4.1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

IMISCOE's Executive Committees are task-specific committees dealing with different aspects regarding the Network's core activities, functioning and operations. In the following pages, you can find a brief description of each Executive Committee, together with its current membership and key activities for the year 2022

1. IMISCOE COMMITTEE ON DIVERSITY, EQUALITY AND INCLUSION (DEI)» PAR «EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON DIVERSITY, EQUALITY AND INCLUSION

Background

At the Board of Directors meeting in June, on the initiative of the IMISCOE director professor Peter Scholten, the basis for setting up a working group to discuss and develop an action plan for IMISCOE to increase race awareness and enhance racial justice within IMISCOE was decided. This was in the shadow of new wave of Black Lives Matter mobilizations that was with a base in the USA spreading across the world, including Europe, and recognizing that IMISCOE had not discussed and developed research and organizational structures to systematically deal with these issues. The ambition was to become a role model that can also contribute to promoting racial justice in our universities more widely. The BLM working group, or as it was named, the Anti-Racism Working Group (ARWG), headed by Parvati Raghuram took initiatives for a statement, seminars and workshops, and for discussing a more inclusive and increased representation of racialized scholars within the network.

The ARWG existed between July 2020 and early 2022. Among the activities implemented were the following: a survey design, contacts with the IMISCOE Standing Committees, contribution to Article 8 of the Consortium Agreement, semi-plenary at the IMISCOE Annual Conference in 2021 and 2022, Twitter chat on racism, webinar series, stimulating the Editorial Board to discuss and investigate potential changes about authorship and editorial position, support the External Affairs Committee in the context of refugee crisis from Afghanistan and Ukraine, support towards inclusiveness at conference events, and IMISCOE mentoring proposal for Masters students.

In the bid and later process transferring IMISCOE to the University of Liège, and with the process of creating a new consortium agreement, the new coordinators, Jean-Michel Lafleur and Daniela Vintila, played an important role in transforming an ad hoc group into an executive committee within IMISCOE in the form of the Committee on Diversity, Equality and Inclusion. By actively pursuing the establishment of DEI, the appointment of its members and finding financing of the committee, the new IMISCOE coordinators were central in raising awareness within IMISCOE of these issues. Jean-Michel Lafleur and Daniela Vintila as coordinators, together with Angeliki Konstantinidou, have thereafter provided major support and contributed to the development of DEI, helping ease in this new function within IMISCOE and facilitating the new members in taking on the work in accordance with the consortium agreement.

In accordance with Article 8 of the Consortium Agreement foreseeing the establishment of a new Committee on Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion, on May 2022, the IMISCOE Network

Office launched a call for nominations for Members of the Network's Committee. Candidacies were evaluated and approved by the BD in July 2022 and the Committee had its first meeting on the 3rd of November 2022. In addition to the new Committee, in 2023 the Network Office launched a request of expression of interest for a new SC on Race, Anti-Racism and Migration to be presented to the EB and the BD at the next IMISCOE annual conference in Warsaw, July 2023.

DEI and the IMISCOE Consortium Agreement

During this period IMISCOE also started to work on a new consortium agreement related to moving the network office to the University of Liege. In the IMISCOE Consortium Agreement 2022-2026 the Committee on Diversity, Equality and Inclusion was set up. Article 8 of the agreement deals with issues of "Diversity, equality, and inclusion within the Network", with the following five sub-articles:

- 1.** The Network aspires to be antiracist and inclusive and shall strive to increase participation of under-represented groups, especially racialized groups, in all its activities including its research and teaching, communications, networking and membership of governance bodies and committees.
- 2.** The Board of Directors shall regularly review progress against diversity, equality of treatment and opportunity measures in its decisions, and in the composition of membership of all bodies established in Articles 4, 5, 6, and 7 of this agreement.
- 3.** The Coordinator shall obtain information from all bodies established in Articles 4, 5, 6, and 7 about the extent to which they have fulfilled Article 8, and report on the role of diversity, equality and inclusion in the Network's activities, bodies and committees as part of the annual reporting process.
- 4.** Those carrying out activities fully or partially financed by the Network shall report on the fulfilment of diversity, equality, inclusion and antiracism in these activities.
- 5.** The Network shall have an executive committee on diversity, equality, and inclusion appointed by the EB. The task of the committee is to develop and propose to the Coordinator, EB, and BO policies and practices to ensure the fulfilment of Article 8 (1- 4).

The Members of DEI

- › Marshia Akbar, CERC, Toronto Metropolitan University
- › Adham Aly, DPAS, Erasmus University Rotterdam
- › Nir Cohen, Department of Geography and Environment, Bar Ilan University
- › Jelena Džankić (GLOBALCIT, European University Institute)
- › Thais França, Cies-Iscte, Lisbon University Institute
- › Guia Gilardoni, ISMU Foundation
- › Marco Martiniello, CEDEM, University of Liège
- › Zeynep Menkütek, CERC, Toronto Metropolitan University
- › Anders Neergaard, REMESO, Linköping university

DEI is organized by members working with portfolios reflecting on the organization of IMISCOE. The activities focus on being a support within IMISCOE in discussing diversity, equality and inclusion issues with the aim of counteracting barriers, improving representation and keep alive a discussion concerning these difficult issues. The first period of DEI has focused on developing contact and participating in the discussions within the different IMISCOE bodies, but also to develop a discussion concerning the role and tasks of the DEI. A particular aspect here is

also intellectual dialogues concerning terms and concepts as well as practical discussions on how IMISCOE can become a more diverse, equal, and inclusive research network.

Portfolios and the DEI members responsible for them.

1. Committee chair

IMISCOE network office: Jean-Michel Lafleur, Daniela Vintila Cristina, Angeliki Konstanti

Committee chair: Anders Neergaard, Guia Gilardoni

2. IMISCOE events (Annual Conference, Spring Conference, PhD School)

Annual Conference 2023: Thais França & Anders Neergaard

Annual Conference 2024: Anders Neergaard & Guia Gilardoni

Spring Conference: Marco Martiniello & Nir Cohen

PhD School: Adham Aly & Marshia Akbar

3. The organisation and activities of IMISCOE Standing Committees

Guia Gilardoni & Zeynep Menkütek

4. IMISCOE publications (IMISCOE book series & CMS journal)

Book series: Jelena Džankić & Marco Martiniello

CMS: Zeynep Menkütek

5. IMISCOE's activities with and for PhD students (PhD Network & PhD Academy)

PhD Network: Anders Neergaard & Marshia Akbar

PhD Academy: Thais França & Nir Cohen

6. IMISCOE's external affairs (Network's membership & external communication strategies)

Guia Gilardoni & Adham Aly

7. IMISCOE Awards (Maria Baganha & Rinus Penninx)

Jelena Džankić

2. EDITORIAL COMMITTEE (EC)

The IMISCOE Springer series has been particularly active during the last three years. They published 27 books in 2021-2022, including 4 short readers and 4 regional readers. Moreover, their activity has followed a dynamic upwards trajectory: 15 books published in 2023 (including 3 short readers and 2 regional readers) and 25+ books to be published in the next couple of years (2024-2025), potentially including 11 short readers.

The review procedures include a peer review of all book proposals by 2 EC members and the EC chair, a full peer refereeing of each Manuscript normally by one EC member and one external reviewer.

Given the breadth of the series, the EC has expanded to include new members (see the list of EC members at the end of this section of the report).

All books are available Open Access at: <https://www.springer.com/series/13502>

List of books published in 2022

In 2022, 14 Open Access (OA) books were published, including 2 Short Readers and 4 Regional Readers.

	Author	Title	Type	Downloads
1	Schweitzer, R.	<i>The Micro-Management of Irregular Migration: Internal Borders and Public Services in London and Barcelona</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	6445, 5 cit
2	Danaj, E.	<i>Women on the move: The case of post-1991 Albanian female migration</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	9449, 1 cit
3	Keskiner, E., M. Eve, and L. Ryan	<i>Migrants and their descendants in labour markets</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	24k, 6 cit
4	Stepka, Maciej	<i>Identifying Security Logics in the EU Policy Discourse: The “Migration Crisis” and the EU</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	14k, 4 cit
5	Schneider, J., M. Crul, and A. Pott	<i>New Social Mobility: Second Generation Pioneers in Europe</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	5572, 1 cit
6	Pötzschke, S. and S. Rinken	<i>Migration Research in a Digitized World – Using Innovative Technology to Tackle Methodological Challenges</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	15k, 1 cit
7	Kousis, M., A. Chatzidaki, and Kafetsios	<i>Challenging Mobilities in and to the EU during times of crises: The case of Greece</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	20k, 4 cit
8	Scholten, P.	<i>Introduction to Migration Studies: An Interactive Guide to the Literature on Migration and Diversity</i>	Short reader, OA	347k, 14 ci
9	Christou, A., and E. Kofman	<i>Gender and Migration</i>	Short reader, OA	23k, 7 cit
10	Marchetti, S.	<i>Migration and Domestic Work</i>	Short reader, OA	4624, 1 cit
11	Masferer, C. and A. Escobar	<i>Migration between Mexico and the United States</i>	Regional reader, OA	7020, 3 cit
12	Rugunanan, P., and N.Xulu-Gama	<i>Migration in Southern Africa</i>	Regional reader, OA	42k, 2 cit
13	Gioconda H.	<i>Migration in South America</i>	Regional reader, OA	15k, 2 cit
14	Teye, J.	<i>Migration in West Africa</i>	Regional reader, OA	29k, 4 cit

List of Books to be published in 2023

The following 15 books are forthcoming in 2023.

	Author	Title	Type	Downloads
1	Isaakyan, I., Triandafyllidou, A., and S. Baglioni	<i>Immigrant and Asylum Seekers Labour Market Integration upon Arrival: NowHereLand: A Biographical Perspective</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	9683, 1 cit
2	Ahrens, J., and R. King	<i>Onward Migration and Multi-Sited Transnationalism: Complex Trajectories, Practices and Ties</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	13k, 2cit
3	M.-L. Jacobson et al.	<i>Anxieties of Migration and Integration in Turbulent Times</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	10k, 1 cit
4	Tiilikainen, M., J. Hiitola, A. A. Ismail, and J. Palander	<i>Forced Migration and Separated Families: Everyday Insecurities and Transnational Strategies</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	6095
5	Barbulescu, R., S. Wallace Goodman, and L. Pedroza	<i>Revising the Integration-Citizenship Nexus in Europe: Sites, Policies, and Bureaucracies of Belonging</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	7205, 2 cit
6	Boccagni, P. and S. Bonfanti	<i>Migration and Domestic Space: Ethnographies of Home in the Making</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	6761
7	Finotelli, C. and I. Ponzio	<i>Migration Control Logics and Strategies in Europe: A North-South Comparison</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	6976
8	Şahin-Mencütek, Z., E. Gökalp-Aras, A. Kaya, S. B. Rottmann	<i>Syrian Refugees in Turkey: Between Reception and Integration</i>	Short reader, OA	7033, 2 cit
9	Ambrosini, M.	<i>Irregular Migration</i>	Short reader, OA	4830
10	Otterbeck, J. and M. Nordin	<i>Migration and Religion</i>	Short reader, OA	1568
11	Irudaya, R.	<i>Migration in South-East Asia</i>	Regional Reader, OA	10k
12	Petcharamesree, S. and M. Capaldi	<i>Migration in Southeast Asia</i>	Regional Reader, OA	10k
13	Maddrell, A., S. Kmec, T. Priya Uteng, and M. Westendorp	<i>Mobilities in Life and Death: Negotiating Room for Migrants and Minorities in European Cemeteries</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	E copy not yet available

	Author	Title	Type	Downloads
13	Maddrell, A., S. Kmec, T. Priya Uteng, and M. Westendorp	<i>Mobilities in Life and Death: Negotiating Room for Migrants and Minorities in European Cemeteries</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	<i>E copy not yet available</i>
14	Wihtol, C.	<i>Migration and International Relations</i>	Short Reader	<i>E copy not yet available</i>
15	MacQuarie, J.-C.	<i>While Society Sleeps: A Night Ethnography with Migrant Workers in London</i>	IMISCOE Book	<i>E copy not yet available</i>
16	Kumar, A., and A. Triandafyllidou	<i>StOries: Strangers to Ourselves</i> <i>Subtitle: An inquiry into migration and identity through creative writing</i>	IMISCOE Book, OA	<i>E copy not yet available</i>

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2	Otterbeck, J. and M.Nordin	<i>Migration and Religion</i>
3	Wihtol, C.	<i>Migration and International Relations</i>
4	Morales, L. and K. Pilati	<i>Migration and Civic and Political Participation</i>
5	Bilgili, O. and Bivand-Erdal, M.	<i>Migrant Transnationalism</i>
6	Vintila, D.	<i>Welfare and Migration</i>
7	Dines, N.	<i>Migration and City</i>
8	Kuschminder, K.	<i>Migration and Return</i>
9	Pecoud, A.	<i>The Global Governance of Migration</i>
10	Mastoureh, F. and C.Laoire	<i>Migration and Home: Intersectional power relations and Migration Regimes</i>
11	Martiniello, M.	<i>Arts and Migration</i>
12	Mascarenas, B. and Penninx, R.	<i>Migration and Employment</i>
13	Siegel, M. and O.Merkel	<i>Migration and Corruption</i>
14	Gorny, A. and J.Salomonska	<i>Migration and Quantitative Methods</i>

The **Regional Readers were added to our Series in 2019**. Regional readers are edited volumes focusing on migration issues and approaches in a given world region (e.g. South America, Central America, Southeast Asia, East Africa, West Africa etc), **edited by a leading scholar based in that region and with contributors mainly from that region**.

List Regional Readers Published in 2021-2022:

	Author	Title	Downloads
1	Masferer, C. and A. Escobar	<i>Migration between Mexico and the United States</i>	5k, 3 cit
3	Rugunanan, P., and N.Xulu-Gama	<i>Migration in Southern Africa</i>	31k, 1 cit
5	Gioconda Herrera	<i>Migration in South America</i>	10k, 1 cit

2 more Regional Readers are expected in 2023:

	Author	Title
1	Irudaya, R	<i>Migration in South Asia</i>
2	Petcharamesree, S., and M. Capaldi	<i>Migration in Southeast Asia</i>

List of EC members 2023:

1. Anna Triandafyllidou, Editor of the Series Toronto Metropolitan University, Toronto, Canada
2. Irina Isaakyan, Managing Editor, TMU, irina.isaakyan@torontomu.ca and
3. Jorge Macaista Malheiros, Centre for Geographical Studies, University of Lisbon, Portugal
4. Laura Oso, Universidade da Coruña, Spain
5. Eva Ostergaard-Nielsen, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain
6. Agata Gorny, University of Warsaw, Poland
7. Stephanie Alison Condon, INED (National Demographic Studies Institute, France)
8. Aneta Piekut, Sheffield Methods Institute, University of Sheffield, UK
9. Ettore Recchi, Science Po University, Paris
10. Sabrina Marchetti, Ca' Foscari University of Venice
11. Irene Ponzo, Forum Internazionale ed Europeo di Ricerche sull'Immigrazione, Turin, Italy
12. Helen Schwenken, Universität Osnabrück
13. Luigi Achilli, European University Florence, Italy
14. Justyna Salomonska, Kozminski University, Poland
15. Stephan Scheel, Leuphana University of Lüneburg, Germany
16. Benjamin Etzold, Bonn International Center for Conflict Studies, Bonn, Germany
17. Karin Borevi, Södertörn University, Stockholm, Sweden
18. Panos Hatziprokopiou, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece
19. Ayhan Kaya, Istanbul Bilgi University, Turkey

3. ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

With the signature of the new Consortium Agreement in 2022, IMISCOE Member Institutes took the decision of creating a new Elections Committee in the network. Its main task is to manage and ensure the fairness and transparency of all elections taking place within IMISCOE, including that of the IMISCOE Coordinator. The following Committee members were appointed in 2023: Sorina Soare, Verena Wisthaler, Sebastián Umpierrez de Reguero.

4. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (EAC)

The External Affairs Committee deals with promotion of IMISCOE bridges between research, policy, and society. In addition, its ambition is to ensure IMISCOE's impact on society and public policy at European and national levels. The coordinator of the External Affairs Committee, Ricard Zapata-Barrero, is responsible for coordinating the EAC-agenda, represents the EAC at the BD, and is in permanent contact with the IMISCOE-coordinator. He is also editor in chief of the IMISCOE Bulletin.

The IMISCOE Bulletin is a dissemination channel collecting and sharing the selection of the accumulated knowledge produced by IMISCOE members. The Bulletin can be consulted here: <https://www.imiscoe.org/news-and-blog/bulletin>

In the current agenda of EAC, there is an action plan for linking IMISCOE with the media and IMISCOE communication strategies. There is also on the agenda discussions about a possible cooperation with other migration networks, and strategies for expanding IMISCOE beyond Europe.

Members of the External Affairs Committee:

- Ricard Zapata-Barrero (Chair)
- Albert Kraler
- Asya Pisarevskaya
- Guia Gilardoni
- Jacqueline Broadhead
- Yvan Gastaut
- Raquel Matias
- Fiona-Katharina Seiger



HIGHLIGHT: THE IMISCOE MIGRATION PODCAST

Overview of activities 2022-2023 (season 3)

An initiative by the IMISCOE network, this podcast explores the latest in migration and mobility research globally. Providing a platform for migration scholars to speak about their projects, ideas and insights, The Migration Podcast aims to publicize and render more accessible what happens inside of universities and research institutes around the world.

BACKGROUND

Created in 2020 by Dr Fiona Seiger. Since 2021, it is called The IMISCOE Migration Podcast. To date, The Migration Podcast has received a total of 7,048 plays and has 122 active subscribers for our total 37 tracks. It is run on a voluntary basis by a group of committed researchers.

More information on the Podcast can be found here:

<https://www.imiscoe.org/news-and-blog/podcast>

Number of plays per interview-based episodes Season 3 2022-2023 (to date 24 May 2023):

2022/23 Season 3

Episode	Guest	Plays
1	Steven Vertovec	31
2	Yva Alexandrova	121
3	Patrick Sakdapolra	125
4	Gediminas Lesutis	69
5	Zvezda Vankova & Albert Kraler	103
6	Viktoria Sereda	127
7	Diotima Bertel, Sarah Granger, Elizabeth Kassinis, Alagie Jinkang	121
8	Birgit Glorius	81
9	Kevin Smets	73

The Migration Podcast X The Culture & Inequality Podcast- Special Episodes

Episode	Guest	Plays
1	Daniela Jaramillo-Dent & Marco Martiniello	148
3	Manou Anselma & John Oliveira	115
5	Myria Georgiou & Earvin Cabalquinto	171
	Bella's research project	
10	Who is academic podcasting for? Bella's research results	97

Evolution of the Team for 2023

Season 3 has been realized under the leadership of Fiona Seiger, with the support of five associate producers / interviewers. In the spring of 2023, Jolynna Sinanan, Jamie Coates, and Mamta Sachan Kumar decided to step down, to focus on their primary careers. For 2023, the remaining team decided to reorganize the management of the Podcast, to share the workload and enable more opportunities for further growth.

1. the Team & Programming Coordinators: Milena Belloni, Sarah Vancluysen and Roos Derrix (University of Antwerpen)
2. Producers: Fiona Seiger (Joint Research Centre) and Kate Dearden (production)
3. Financial administration and engagement: Asya Pisarevskaya (Erasmus University Rotterdam)
4. Interviewers: 13 interviewers who are completing or have already completed their PhD from various countries

PROMOTION ACTIVITIES

- The team strived to build on the momentum gained in the first two years of The Migration Podcast and grow the series further. Our efforts to grow our audience thus far include:
- The use of moving visuals in announcing new episodes on Twitter, LinkedIn
- A Podcast collaboration with the “Culture & Inequality “ podcast in 2022, with the aim of attracting new, interested listeners
- A short research project into the reception of academic podcasting among audiences (via the University of Sheffield SURE research scheme). Results were discussed here: [Who is academic podcasting for? Bella´s Research Results - IMISCOE](#)
- The advertisement of the podcast through flyers available at this year’s IMISCOE conference in Oslo.
- The advertisement of the podcast through flyers distributed at the Metropolis Conference in Berlin (sept 2022); and at the German Network of Forced Migration Studies – 4th Conference in Chemnitz (sept 2022).
- Fiona gave two guest lectures about podcast creation to students (at Erasmus University Rotterdam) and as part of the EUMigs winter school in A Coruña, advertising the podcast then and there.
- The Migration Podcast also finds mentioning in the book [Scholarly Podcasting by Ian M. Cook](#) (Routledge, 2022)

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Representation & diversity

Since its inception, The Migration Podcast team aimed for a balanced representation of migration researchers in terms of geographic location, geographic focus, thematic expertise, and career stage. This principle helped us retain sufficient space for perspectives and knowledge gained outside of Europe, where most IMISCOE member institutes are located.

To continue fostering this diversity we aim to provide a platform to a diverse crowd of scholars including scholars from and/or working at institutes in the “global south” or in the early stages of their careers. The commitment to diversity in 2023/24 is implemented through (a) diversification of the team of interviewers; (b) the diversification of the podcast guests. Our interviewers are located across Europe and in China, Mexico, South Africa and India. Also, we hope that this will help us reach a wider audience and grow our listenership.

5. FINANCE COMMITTEE (FC)

The Financial Committee of IMISCOE serves as the Network’s auditing committee. The leading partner, University of Liège guarantees financial accountability and administers finances of the IMISCOE Research Network. The task of the Financial Committee is to make sure that the financial control for the Board of Directors is prepared. Members are appointed by the Board of Directors. Current members are Veronika Bilger and Pawel Kaczmarczyk.

6. IMISCOE PHD NETWORK

The IMISCOE PhD Network plays a crucial role in connecting PhD students worldwide with the IMISCOE Network. Our primary objective is to cultivate an inclusive and supportive environment where PhD students are valued and have a platform to express their perspectives and contribute to the research community. We are committed to enhancing research opportunities and networking prospects for doctoral researchers in the field of migration across the globe. We recognize the structural inequalities that impact ethnic origin and gender dynamics, as well as the challenges faced by scholars based in non-European academic institutions. Through various initiatives and activities, we strive to address these issues and promote equal opportunities for all PhDs and early career scholars within the IMISCOE Network.

The PhD Network is organized by the Network Board, the Blog Group, the broader PhD Network community, which consists of the PhD Representative(s) of the standing committees (SCs), PhD Buddies organizational committee, Advisory Board and the PhD Academy, each with their own active members who plan and carry out activities relevant to PhD migration scholars. The PhD Network is represented by the PhD Representative and the Vice-Representative and is steered by the PhD Network Board

PhD Network Board as of 2022:

- The PhD Representative: Maria Shaidrova, University of Tilburg
- PhD Vice-Representative: Mateusz M. Krawczyk, University of Wrocław
- Elina Jonitz, Erasmus University Rotterdam.
- Sebastian Carlotti, University of Pisa and the University of Amsterdam
- Agnese Pacciardi, University of Lund
- Simona Schreier, Danube University Krems
- Billie Martiniello, Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB)
- Caroline Adolfsson, Malmö University

- Adriana Calvo, University of Deusto
- Irene Gutiérrez Torres, Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB)
- Diletta Marcucci, Pompeu Fabra University
- Alice Fill, École Normale Supérieure in Paris, and the University of Roma Tre

PhD Network Advisory Board:

- Sandra N. Morgenstern, Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES)
- Carolin Müller, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- Samuel D. Schmid, University of Lucerne
- Olav Nygård, Linköping University

Description of the 2022 activities:

The IMISCOE PhD Network Board had an eventful year in 2022. One of our major accomplishments was the successful organization of the PhD Day, an event dedicated to guiding PhD students along their academic journey and beyond. This day-long event brought together numerous participants and featured insightful sessions and workshops that addressed various aspects of the road to a PhD and the opportunities that lie ahead after completing the doctoral program. The event received overwhelming positive feedback and proved to be a valuable resource for aspiring researchers.

Furthermore, we actively contributed to the organization of the annual Spring Conference, which took place at the prestigious University of Duisburg-Essen. By collaborating closely with the conference organizers, we ensured that the needs and interests of PhD students were well-represented throughout the event. We facilitated specialized sessions and workshops tailored to the requirements of early-career researchers, providing them with opportunities to present their work, receive feedback, and engage in fruitful discussions with renowned scholars in the field.

In addition to the Spring Conference, we were actively involved in planning and executing the PhD Activities during the Annual IMISCOE conference in Oslo, Norway. The IMISCOE PhD Network Board collaborated with the PhD Academy Training Committee to co-organize an integration meeting for PhD participants attending the Oslo conference. The PhD Network also organized dedicated activities for PhD students that were designed to foster networking, knowledge exchange, and collaboration among doctoral researchers. Distinguished scholars such as Prof. Thomas Hylland Eriksen and Prof. Janine Dahinden, along with representatives from the Standing Committees, joined us in Oslo. The day was filled with engaging panel discussions, workshops, and interactive sessions, offering invaluable insights and perspectives to the participating PhD students.

In addition to our previous activities, the IMISCOE PhD Network Board collaborated with the IMISCOE PhD Academy Training Committee to organize a year-long PhD Academy program. This program aimed to provide PhD students with a diverse range of training opportunities, including workshops and skill-building sessions.

Recognizing the importance of fostering a supportive and inclusive community, the PhD

Network and Advisory Board also initiated the PhD Buddies project that aimed to bridge the gap between PhD students from the majority IMISCOE group (i.e., PhD students from Europe) and those from underrepresented regions by facilitating meaningful connections and information sharing. Through the Buddies Project, we facilitated peer-to-peer mentorship and networking opportunities, allowing PhD students to exchange experiences, insights, and challenges related to accessing networking opportunities and overcoming barriers.

In 2022, the PhD blog group of the IMISCOE network made significant contributions by producing 11 blog entries. These blog articles covered a wide range of topics related to IMISCOE PhD activities and initiatives. Notably, some of the blog posts highlighted the PhD Network Buddy System, while another focused on an extraordinary meeting held to reflect on inclusive migration research and exchanges specifically designed for PhD students.

In February, the blog group launched an open call for external contributions for a special issue centered around methods in migration research. This initiative aimed to explore innovative approaches and perspectives in the field. The special issue, published in September, featured eight blog posts addressing topics such as decolonising methods, online methods, and creative practices. The publication was made available as a downloadable PDF and received positive feedback from the IMISCOE community.

Looking ahead to the future, the IMISCOE PhD Network Board remains committed to supporting the needs of PhD students within the IMISCOE network. We plan to continue organizing impactful events, including the PhD Day, Spring Conference activities, and PhD-specific activities during the Annual IMISCOE conference. We aim to expand our collaboration with prominent scholars and experts in the field, ensuring that our activities provide maximum value and contribute to the professional growth and success of our members. Building on the success of the special issue, the extended blog group for 2023, is planning to work on a second special issue to be published in spring 2024. The upcoming special issue will delve into the themes of positionality and inequalities in migration research, offering critical insights and perspectives on these important topics.

7. TRAINING COMMITTEE

The aims of the IMISCOE Training Committee are to encourage and facilitate training activities within the network, and more specifically to do so through organising the IMISCOE PhD Academy, which we turn to below. In 2022 the IMISCOE Training Committee has held meetings on average monthly online, in conjunction with planning, preparing and following-up on IMISCOE PhD Academy membership and events. One important element of this work is maintaining a close dialogue with the PhD network, through the PhD network board member of the IMISCOE Training Committee. Another element of this work is sharing information about the training activities – in a broad sense, from PhD courses, through networking events, that are happening within the IMISCOE network, and in particular in the context of many Standing Committees engagement with Doctoral researchers.

During the year 2022 the Training Committee supported the PhD network's effort to organise the first IMISCOE annual PhD day (virtually), as well as a pizza-socializing event on the evening before the start of the annual IMISCOE conference in Oslo in June.

Toward the end of 2022 a process to recruit further members to the Training Committee was started, following IMISCOE procedures for an open call, with a transparent process. The work load for the Training Committee is substantial, and therefore further colleagues were needed in order to ensure both sound management of the PhD Academy in all regards, as well enabling support for the PhD network in the organisation of the annual PhD day, among other, and lastly in relation to improving information-sharing on training activities which exist within the IMISCOE network, to PhD students who are interested.

Members of the Training Committee (2022): Marta Bivand Erdal (chair), Eleonore Kofman, Hakan Kilic, Thais França, Mateusz Krawczyk, with organizational support from Kelly Fisher.

IMISCOE PhD Academy

The IMISCOE PhD Academy strives to create an inclusive and diverse arena for PhD students in the broad field of migration studies, who desire to participate in an engaged program of exchange and learning, drawing on the combined strengths of the IMISCOE community. The IMISCOE PhD Academy supports and seeks to work in collaboration with the IMISCOE PhD Network.

The value-added of the Academy comes through maximizing the potential of synergies which lie within the IMISCOE network today. This means that the IMISCOE conferences, PhD summer (or winter) schools organised by IMISCOE member institutes, the PhD oriented activities of Standing Committees, and the work of the PhD Network, together contribute toward the Academy's success, allowing the most interested and engaged PhD students a unique arena to develop and thrive.

The IMISCOE PhD Academy fills a gap in PhD training that PhD students mostly receive through their universities, by offering targeted migration research related training on – among other, publishing, career development, applying for grants, post-PhD-life considerations, and networking. These needs have – time and time again – been identified by the IMISCOE PhD community itself. The IMISCOE PhD Academy also facilitates peer-mentoring among PhD students, as well as mentoring opportunities within the IMISCOE network, with IMISCOE PhD Academy members themselves responsible for ensuring their own participation in these opportunities.

In the face of climate consciousness and changed mobility preferences in the post-pandemic world, the IMISCOE PhD Academy offers its activities online, taking an inclusive approach to participation, as mobility may be complicated for PhD students, for different reasons. In conjunction with the annual IMISCOE Annual conference, an informal socializing and networking event is co-organised with the PhD Network, where IMISCOE PhD Academy members also participate.

Academy members meet virtually for bi-monthly activities, for the annual IMISCOE PhD day (online), and an in-person event in conjunction with the IMISCOE annual conference for those attending. Academy members are expected to attend all IMISCOE PhD Academy bi-monthly events, as well as participating in peer-mentoring groups in the IMISCOE PhD Academy. Furthermore, members are encouraged to participate in Standing Committee activities throughout their 2-year membership period.

The IMISCOE PhD Academy started in October 2021, and 2022 was its first full year of operation, with the first IMISCOE PhD day in February 2022, bi-annual events covering themes including academic publishing, networking and mentoring, as well as interactive activities. The organisation of peer-mentoring groups for IMISCOE PhD Academy members was also initiated in 2022. The second call for members of the IMISCOE PhD Academy was open June-August 2022, and the pool of applicants applying was global, and diverse in disciplines, topics, methods, stage of doctoral research, among other. The group of new members included was similarly diverse, and simultaneously reflective of IMISCOE members institutions in terms of the PhD granting institutions represented. The second cohort of members was integrated with those from the first cohort who had not yet completed their PhDs and left the Academy.

More information about the IMISCOE PhD Academy, including who can become a member, what it means to be a member, and details of the process of applying can be found on the IMISCOE web-page.



ATTEMPTING A DECOLONIAL APPROACH WITH THE IMISCOE PHD ACADEMY

Marta Bivand Erdal (PRIO)

The IMISCOE PhD Academy is now well into its second year of running – with two cohorts of members, simultaneously participating as of March 2023.

The IMISCOE Training Committee, including members from the IMISCOE PhD Network, are collaborating in planning and implementing the running of the IMISCOE PhD Academy, where we are also trying to have an inclusive approach to the IMISCOE PhD Academy members' own engagement. We have IMISCOE PhD Academy members who are born in all corners of the world, with some based in institutions beyond Europe, but with a majority of our members based at European institutions, reflecting the composition of IMISCOE's institutional membership today. That said, we have been exploring the demographic composition of the IMISCOE PhD Academy, where many have very diverse family backgrounds, more often than not involving different types of international mobilities in their own or their parents' lives.

We have from the inception of the idea of an IMISCOE PhD Academy worked with an ambition to implement this in a way that could be described as attempting to be decolonial. We are attempting a decolonial approach in how we are trying to operate; in the specifics and implementation of what we do. In practice this entails having online-only meetings. So, there is no requirement for funds to travel, or equally as much a challenge – of managing to get visas (in time) to be able to travel. This very equalizing mode of operations means that – at least in theory – it is possible to level the playing field that mobility and resource asymmetries globally otherwise trap us all within.

The online format has its clear value and strengths, especially in terms of facilitating access to participation, as long as Internet connectivity is relatively stable. However, there are also limitations to the online format – as an interactive space, which

we strive to accept and then see how we can address, e.g. by actively planning our online sessions with interactive exercises, break-out groups, and using tools like Mentimeter to foster different forms of participation and interaction.

Meanwhile, some barriers to inclusivity are also present, such as language proficiency, how used one is to be participating in online sessions such as these, or how comfortable one is with online interaction in general. While as organisers we can – and should – address these challenges with adequate measures, there are also realities which are complicated to deal with.

One such issue, which is very banal, yet omnipresent, for anyone trying to work globally – is the issue of time zones. For: What is the appropriate time of day (and day of the week) to have an online IMISCOE PhD Academy session? What about places where Friday is the weekend? What about various holidays across the world? And within whose working hours, do we organise our time-slots?

As we all realise, these are issues which are not only logistical, but really about how we work, how work is a part of our lives, and to what extent we are able to navigate and manage this ourselves.

The example of navigating decisions about timings of IMISCOE PhD Academy online sessions, may appear as rather too banal for a heading about attempting a decolonial approach. Meanwhile, the nitty-gritty level of activities, is not only fundamentally important, it is also a direct precondition for enabling participation. There are no perfect solutions to the timing issue, across time-zones, instead it requires mutual understanding and flexibility, as well as recognition that efforts put in to the very fact of being present, can in themselves be quite asymmetrical.

As we are starting to plan the call for new members – a third cohort of the IMISCOE PhD Academy members, which will open in June 2023 and close in August 2023 – we are reflecting on how we can improve our decolonial approach further, both in who we manage to reach with our call, how relevant they may find our online activities, and how we can operate to live up to our decolonial approach ambitions going forward.

Marta Bivand Erdal, Chair of the IMISCOE Training Committee (& Research Professor in Migration Studies, Peace Research Institute Oslo)

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RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE

Promoting high-quality and impactful research is the central aim of IMISCOE. To achieve this, 10 Standing Committees organized around broad research topics are in place. These structured groups are invited to develop their own work programmes over several years with the funding received from the Network.

In addition to the rich set of activities developed by our Standing Committees (see details below), our research infrastructure comprises three fixed yearly events organized by Member Institutes with the sponsoring of IMISCOE that provide opportunities to both members and non-members of our network to engage in scientific exchanges and training: the IMISCOE Spring Conference, the IMISCOE Annual Conference (our flagship event) and the IMISCOE PhD School. Our research infrastructure is further supported by the Migration Research Hub — IMISCOE's Interactive research database— and by two Awards Committees whose members identify every year the Best PhD Dissertation in our research field and the best paper presented at the IMISCOE Annual Conference. Lastly, IMISCOE's research infrastructure is further enhanced via our collaboration with the EUMIGS Network, our sponsorship of Springer's journal Comparative Migration Studies and our collaboration with third party providers such as DesignServer, YoungMinds, DotDesign, Cisco Webex, and Clarivate for the maintenance and development of our Conference platform, website and Migration Research Hub. These collaborations are conducted with the goal of supporting the Network Coordinator's agenda of making IMISCOE more open, diverse and engaged. In the following sections, you can read more details about these different elements of our research infrastructure and their activities in 2022.

7.1 IMISCOE STANDING COMMITTEES

1. SUPERDIVERSITY, MIGRATION AND CULTURAL CHANGE (DIVCULT)

Coordinator: Marco Martiniello and Wiebke Sievers; Elsa Mescoli as assistant coordinator

PhD representative: Carolina Triana-Cuellar

DIVCULT aims to better understand the relevance of arts and culture in the theoretical and policy debates about immigrant incorporation and diversity in Europe and beyond. Over the last years, artistic activities have found increasing interest among migration researchers because they prove to be a means of moving beyond ethnic differences towards narratives of identity and belonging that are more apt to capture the current post-migrant reality in many cities and countries.

We intend to cover a wide range of artistic and cultural activities in our analyses ranging from music, literature, cinema and theatre to sports, fashion, clothing, design and food. The idea is to jointly work on the following dimensions:

- › Theoretical and conceptual issues
- › Methodologies
- › Relevance and social impact

These dimensions constitute the general framework in which the researchers involved can initiate joint research activities, organise workshops and conferences and prepare publications.

1. DIVCULT event and activities in 2022:

- › Divcult General assembly 10-11 February (online, two half days), also including a PhD Initiative and the ARWG Webinar series: Navigating race and racism in the cultural sector
- › Call for contributions for the special issue of Arts and Refugees: Multidisciplinary Perspectives (Vol. 2), edited by Marco Martiniello and Elsa Mescoli (ongoing)
- › Doctoral programme UNIPD and CES Summer school on anti-racism and critical race theory (Annalisa Frisina)
- › Cultural Consumption as a Driver of Migrant Integration (CUCOMINT), seminar series organised by Alessandra Venturini (Unito, April)
- › Marco Martiniello and Elsa Mescoli participated as members of the Scientific committee in the organization of conference “Les dynamiques de participation artistique et culturelle contemporaines à l’aune de l’immigration. Regards atlantiques”, Chaire Fernand-Dumont sur la culture
- › Call for application for funding (proofreading of articles related to Divcult themes) for early career researcher members of Divcult

- › DIVCULT PhD Online Meeting & Café 2022 (4 October and 6 December, Carolina Triana-Cuellar)
- › Call for book chapters: Heritage and Mobility in a Multisensory Perspective (Karolina Nikielska-Sekuła)
- › FIERI's documentary festival on migration (Pietro Cingolani)
- › IMISCOE PhD Network: PhD Buddy program (Carolina Triana-Cuellar)
- › DIVCULT call for papers for the IMISCOE annual conference 2023
- › 5 panels submitted at the IMISCOE annual conference 2022 (plus 10 associated to Divcult)
- › Submission of book manuscript "Cultural Change in Post-Migrant Societies" for review to IMISCOE editorial committee (editor: Wiebke Sievers)

2. DIVCULT activities in 2022 to expand the SC membership and promote the inclusion/participation of under-represented groups:

- › Encouraging PhD representative and PhD students to propose initiatives and give space to these.
- › A specific focus on anti-racism in several events to encourage participation of under-represented groups.
- › A call for funding of PhD students with no other funding possibilities, to cover the costs of attending the IMISCOE annual conference (2023).
- › A call for proof-reading funding with early career researchers with no other funding opportunities and for publications related to DIVCULT themes (2023).

3. DIVCULT collaborations with other IMISCOE committees/groups:

- › DIVCULT PhD representative actively participates in and collaborates with the PhD network, contributing to the initiatives of the latter.
- › DIVCULT organised an ARWG seminar on racism in the arts.

4. DIVCULT Members and communication:

- › 96 members on 22/12/2022
- › Main communication tools: Google group, IMISCOE website, Slack account

5. DIVCULT activities planned for 2023:

- › Presence at IMISCOE annual conference (6 panels/workshops submitted by members)
 - Elsa Mescoli, *Sustainable food and cultural diversity: discourses and practices*, 2 panels (8 papers).
 - Karolina Nikielska-Sekuła and Amandine Desille, *Multisensorial research, migrations and inequalities – exploring new methodological pathways*, workshop (6 speakers)
 - Marco Martiniello, *Tackling Racism in sport: Finding Solutions through an Academic-CSOs dialogue*, workshop (8 speakers)
 - Wiebke Sievers and Jens Schneider, *Inequalities in Arts and Culture: Structural Factors and Processes of Change*, panel (5 papers).
 - Carolina Triana-Cuellar, *Celebratory Migrantization? Questioning the Histories and Practices of Racialization in the Arts*, workshop (1 co-chair, 8 participants).
 - Joanna Jurkiewicz, *Visual Methodologies in Migration Research: How inequalities are being (re-)produced in the image production about migration*, workshop (8 participants including organisers).

- › General assembly (25-26 January)
- › Ongoing publications (see above)
- › Call for funding PhD students IMISCOE conference and proofreading (see above)

The DIVCULT report was prepared by Elsa Mescoli (Assistant coordinator) with additional inputs and revisions by Marco Martiniello and Wiebke Sievers.

2. EDUCATION AND SOCIAL INEQUALITY (EDUSOCIAL)

Coordinators

- Elif Keskiner, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- Christine Lang, Institute for Migration Research and Intercultural Studies | Osnabrueck University, Germany
- Jens Schneider, Institute for Migration Research and Intercultural Studies | Osnabrueck University, Germany
- Nubin Ciziri Uppsala University, Sweden
- F. Zehra Colak Utrecht University, Netherlands
- Thais França Center for Research and Studies in Sociology, Portugal
- Antonina Levatino Autonomous University of Barcelona, Spain

Goals of the SC

The intersection between social inequality and education has always been an important topic for the IMISCOE network fostering innovative comparative research across countries. The ongoing central importance of the field of education – at the primary, secondary and tertiary levels – is key for understanding international migration patterns as well as experiences and outcomes. Furthermore, it is through education that social inequalities are sustained, increased, or abolished. This is why to our Standing Committee “social inequality” is at the core of our analysis.

The intersections between education, migration, (international) mobility and social inequality provide an ideal starting point to combine wider social theoretical work with empirical data collections and analyses. We aim to advance critical theoretical discussions on social inequalities in education access and outcome, education-to-work transitions, and international mobility and education (e.g., students and refugees).

Together with theories of social reproduction, organizational, decolonial and critical race theories guide much of the work we have been developing in our activities aiming at understanding the systemic and institutional production of educational trajectories and social inequality. Against this background, current topics related to coloniality, discrimination, racism and anti-racism practices in education have a central role in our activities.

Activities conducted in 2022

Following our workshop on racism in education during the 19th Imiscoe Conference in Oslo, we started a working group on this topic to discuss potential future collaborations and exchange knowledge. This working group is currently drafting a COST proposal to build a broader network of scholars and practitioners working on anti-racism in education.

The following sessions were organized by our SC committee and individual SC members at the 19th Imiscoe Conference in Oslo.

- › Anti-Racism and Resistance in Higher Education
- › Mapping barriers to equal access and educational aspirations of refugees
- › International student mobility: experiences and challenges
- › Transformations in international student mobility in higher education in the COVID-19 pandemic
- › Migration and life cycles: parents and their children,
- › Education, occupational trajectories and mobility,
- › Parenting in the second generation. New family figurations and the handling of belonging, institutions and racialization
- › Book Presentation: «New Social Mobilities - Second Generation Pioneers
- › Workshop: Researching racism in education
- › Workshop Ethnic identities and resources, and their influence on relationships with majority society

In collaboration with the Anti-racism working group, on 25 February 2022, we held the webinar: “Challenging racism in education: anti-racist teaching practices”. Our guest speakers were Orhan Agirdag (KU Leuven) and Rita Kohli (University of California, Riverside)

On 20 Sept 2022, we promoted the virtual book launch event: “Revisiting Migrant Networks: Migrants and their Descendants in Labour Markets” (eds. Elif Keskiner, Louise Ryan, Michael Eve; published as part of the IMISCOE research series in Springer). The book is an outcome of joint research activities within the SC and includes contributions by SC members.

Lastly, we also organized a total of six writing retreat sessions and one publication workshop for PhD students and early career researchers.

Ongoing work and plans for 2023 and beyond

To enhance our knowledge of the persisting inequalities and differences in education across Europe and beyond, we will engage with the following activities that allow us to advance theoretical exchanges on topics of discrimination, coloniality, racism, and other means of social inequality (re)production.

Conference sessions: EduSocial will organize two thematic sessions at the annual IMISCOE Conference in Warsaw focusing on the topic of racism in higher education and the question of the (im)possibility to decolonize institutions. Additionally, we will also have our SC Annual Meeting to foster networking amongst our members and to discuss with them future collaboration opportunities.

Training events for PhD students: we are committed to assisting our PhD students and early career researcher members to develop their academic skills by promoting peer-to-peer exchange, as well as mentoring opportunities with senior scholars. We aim to continue with our writing retreats, and start a journal club.

Joint publication workshop: EduSocial will organize an in-person workshop in Amsterdam in November 2023 to prepare a joint publication on antiracist practices in education that consolidates the knowledge produced in the Annual conference sessions this year and the previous year.

Preparing a COST action proposal: Following our last year's meeting on mapping suitable calls projects, we will prepare a proposal for a COST action call on anti-racist practices in higher education to be submitted in November. This involves several SC members.

Newsletter: To enhance the dissemination of information within our SC, we are launching a newsletter with information e.g. on calls, events, research projects, publications by members etc. The first issue will be disseminated before the Annual conference in June 2023.

3. GENDER AND SEXUALITY IN MIGRATION RESEARCH (GENSEM)

Coordinators: Sarah Scuzzarello, Department of Geography and SCMR, University of Sussex and Laura Morosanu, Department of Sociology and Criminology and SCMR, University of Sussex

Brief presentation of the SC and its goals

Established in 2019, GenSeM has grown to become an international platform for over 300 researchers working at how gender and sexuality shape migration pathways and settlement experiences. Key to GenSeM's ethos is to engage in dialogues with scholars across disciplines, career stages, and geographical locations. To this end, we organise Migration Dialogues, on-line or hybrid conversations on research by our members; support the development of PhD and Early Career Researchers through a diverse set of workshops and retreats; support the development of small-scale research through seed-corn funding. We also have an established Twitter-account (800 followers) and a newsletter which we use to publicise members' research and events.

Activities conducted in 2022

GenSeM dialogues (hybrid and online)

- › “Intersections of White Privilege, Gender and Racism in Ethnically Diverse Societies: A Dialogue on Whiteness and Gender in Sweden and the UK”, with IMISCOE ARW. Speakers: Dr Tobias Hübinette (Karlstad University) and Professor Catrin Lundström (Linköping University)
- › “Sociological Approaches to Gender, Sexuality and Migration in Asia”, with Sussex Centre for Migration Research (SCMR). Speakers: Professor Susanne Choi (CUHK), Professor Paul Statham (SCMR) and Dr Sarah Scuzzarello (SCMR & GenSeM)
- › “Gender and Academic Mobility”. Speakers: Dr Thais França (Lisbon University Institute) and Professor Tuba Bircan (University of Cambridge).

Photography Exhibition: ‘Queer migrations’ (At University of Sussex)

GenSeM Seed corn research funding, awarded to Rachel Larkin (University of Kent) for the project: “Participation of LGBTQ+ young migrants in social workspaces: Lessons for research”

Four writing and reading retreats (online and hybrid) organised by GenSeM PhD representatives for PhD and early career researchers. The purpose of the retreats was to help participants develop productive and gratifying reading and writing habits, with the aim of introducing reading/writing into their weekly routines, as well as strengthen the GenSeM PhD/EC community.

Workshop *How to Run your own Online Writing Retreat*, targeting PhD researchers and ECR at IMISCOE, and run by GenSeM PhD representatives Nicola Chanamuto and Marianela Barrios-Aquino.

Launched a new, regular newsletter, coordinated by Laura Cleton (UNU-MERIT) and Claudia Di Matteo (Lund University).

Events organised at the 2022 IMISCOE conference

- › Panel: “Time and temporality in global care labour mobility”
- › Panel: “Gendered experiences of temporariness in migration management”
- › Panel: “Gender, liminality and temporal agency in the context of migration”
- › ECR roundtable “Working on/with intersectionality in migration research and future research agendas”
- › GenSeM annual meeting (hybrid).

Editorials and publications (in alphabetical order, not exhaustive)

- › Barrios-Aquino, M.; Chanamuto, N.; and Christou, A. (eds.) 2022. “**Emotions and Mobilities: Gendered, Temporal and Spatial Representations**”, *Emotions: History, Culture, Society* 6(2)
- › Christou, A and Kofman, E. 2022. *Gender and Migration*. IMISCOE Short Reader. Springer
- › Freedman, J., Latouche, A., Sahraoui, N., Santana de Andrade, G. and Tyszler, E. (Eds.). 2023. **The Gender of Borders: Embodied Narratives of Migration, Violence and Agency**. London: Routledge.
- › Gatti, R. 2022. Seeking Better Life Chances by Crossing Borders: The Existential Paradox and Strategic Use of Italian Citizenship by Migrant Women. In Horvath, K., Pape, E., Delcroix, C., Inowlocki, L. (Eds.), *Resisting Anti-Migrant Politics. Challenging Borders, Boundaries, and Belongings in Europe and Africa*, pp. 53–66.
- › Held N., Querton C., Dustin M., Danisi C., Ferreira N. (eds.). 2022. *Sexuality, Gender and Asylum: Refugees at a Crossroads – Research Topic*. *Frontiers in Human Dynamics*, 4
- › Scuzzarello, S. and Morosanu, L. (eds) 2023. “Integration and Intersectionality: boundaries and belonging ‘from above’ and ‘from below’” *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. Most articles for the SI were initially presented at the 2021 IMISCOE annual conference and all contributing authors are GenSeM members. The full issue is available in Open Access.
- › Zady, A.N. & Erman, T. 2023. Confronting gendered constructions of refugee deservingness and representations: Syrian refugee women strategising for humanitarian aid in Turkey. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 49(9)

Plans for 2023

GenSeM has received proposals for 17 panels, one workshop and over 75 papers for the 2023 IMISCOE conference. In addition, Gokce Yurdakul and Laura Morosanu have organised four panels on “Symbolic Boundaries and Intersectionality: Gendered and Racialized Experiences of Immigrants in Comparative European Perspective”, while Sarah Scuzzarello and Tunay Altay have organised three panels on “Migration and LGBTQI+ experiences -motivations, settlement, and collective actions”. We are looking forward to engaging with colleagues at these panels and to meet them at the 2023 GenSeM Annual Meeting in Warsaw.

In 2023, GenSeM has expanded its Steering Group (SG), now including Marianela Barrios Aquino, Nicola Chanamoto, Anastasia Christou, Laura Cleton, Asuncion Fresnoza-Flot, Rik Huizinga, Eleonore Kofman, Maggi Leung, and Claudia di Matteo.

Agnese Pacciardi joins GenSeM as new PhD/EC representative. Among the planned activities for the PhD /EC community are, regular online cafes to discuss specific topics; workshops on academic writing & publishing; and online writing retreats.

We are planning a new series of Migration Dialogues for 2023/24 as well as supporting two public events organised by SG members Asuncion Fresnoza-Flot and Anastasia Christou, respectively. We will award a new seed-corn project and support one additional event organised by GenSeM members (awardees to be announced at the 2023 IMISCOE conference).

4. IMMIGRATION, IMMIGRANTS AND THE LABOUR MARKET IN EUROPE (IILME)

Coordinators:

- Lisa Berntsen, De Burcht, the Scientific Research Institute for the Dutch Labour Movement, Netherlands
- Katarina Hollan, ZARA – Civil-Courage and Anti-Racism Work, Austria
- Nahikari Irastorza, Malmö University, Sweden
- Kornélia Anna Kerti, Tilburg University, Netherlands
- Stefania Marino, Work and Equalities Institute, University of Manchester, United Kingdom
- Anders Neergaard, Linköping University
- Rinus Penninx, IMES, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
- Judith Roosblad, University of Amsterdam, and Ministry of Social Affairs

The link between increasing migration, labour market dynamics and access to welfare resources are central to the debate on both immigration and integration policies of newly arrived migrants and their children. Negative views on the socio-economic effects of migration, often based on scarce scientific or empirical evidence, influence the political debate around these themes. We have seen a general and increasing shift towards more restrictive and hostile migration policies, often also spilling over in integration policies. However, little knowledge exists on the role of labour market actors in influencing immigration and integration policies and practices, as well as the migrants' labour market positions and experiences.

Building up on the work carried out within the previous research group (Immigration, Integration and Trade Unions in Europe, IITUE), IILME aims at exploring the complexities and contradictions of the interaction between migration phenomena and labour market in a time of rapidly changing migration, integration, and labour market policies. The originality of the program lies in its theoretical framework combining a tradition of industrial relations, political economy (segmented labour market) and gender studies to explore multiple inequalities (intersectionality) as well the precarization of migrant workers and workers from ethnic minorities on labour markets.

Besides our 7 on-site and 10 online panels at the annual IMISCOE conference, we are also active in promoting and supporting PhD students within the research field, in having seminars and showcasing their work on our website. We are organizing edited volumes and special

issues and taking initiatives to program applications. In addition, we are inaugurating a digital newsletter 3-4 times per year.

Beginning 2023, a special issue on “State policies and regulation related to migrant work during and beyond COVID-19”, was published in the International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy. This special issue grew out of an IILME call for papers on this topic for the 2021 IMISCOE conference. The 2022 IMISCOE Spring conference was used to further develop the special issue. The special issue was edited and coordinated by Stefania Marino and Lisa Berntsen, members of the IILME-steering group. The issue contains six papers that explore policies and regulations during and beyond the COVID-pandemic regarding different types of migrant work in a selected number of countries, including Japan, Finland, Austria, Italy, The Netherlands and the Czech Republic. The issue can be found here: <https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/0144-333X/vol/43/iss/3/>

Newsletter

IILME has been working on a newsletter that will inform about the research activity of IILME standing committee members and other announcements that might be of their interest. The first issue will be out before the 2023 annual IMISCOE conference.

For more information on IILME, visit:

<https://www.imiscoe.org/research/standing-committees/immigration-immigrants-and-the-labour-market-in-europe> and www.iilme-research.org

Ongoing research projects

- › Nahikari Irastorza. Whole-COMM: Exploring the integration of post-2014 migrants, asylum seekers, and refugees from a whole of community perspective. Coordinated by Colegio Carlo Alberto, funded by H2020. Website: <https://whole-comm.eu>.
- › Nahikari Irastorza. CIFER: City for Everybody - Building Responsible Action for Inclusive Local Communities. Coordinated by the Peace Institute Slovenia, funded by CERV. Website at MAU: <https://mau.se/en/research/projects/city-for-everybody/>
- › Anders Neergaard (PI). Dilemmas of representation and solidarity: Trade unions and extreme right-wing parties. Focusing on how to build trade union solidarity in a context in which the number of migrant workers is increasing and working-class support for anti-immigrant extreme right parties is growing (Funded by Riksbankens Jubileumsfond, Sweden).
- › Anders Neergaard (PI). Conflicting identities and fractured solidarities: whiteness and class in three male dominated trade unions in Sweden. Focusing on white masculinities in the forging of the trade union worldviews, policies and strategies relating to three spheres– socio-political, industrial relations and internal organization (funded by FORTE, Sweden).
- › Stefania Marino (Co-PI). The Politics of Equality: The Evolving Nature of Equality Agendas at Work in the UK and Europe in a Context of Political Uncertainty. The project aims to contrast the experiences and issues related to equality at work in terms of policy and regulation within the UK to other cases within Europe – France, the Netherlands, and Spain – which have made an explicit and concerted effort to engage with a more progressive and inclusive approach to equality. The project is funded by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC).

- › Stefania Marino (UK participant). The formation of worker collectivism among migrant workers in Denmark, Germany and the UK. The project investigates when and under what conditions migrant workers define their labour market interest (and the means to achieve these) in collective as opposed to individual terms. The project is led by Bjarke Refslund, Aalborg Universiteit, Denmark and funded by the Danish Research Council.
- › Stefania Marino (UK participant). ResPecTMe_ Researching precariousness across the paid/unpaid work continuum. The project is aimed at generating a new theoretical model of, and a measurement approach and monitoring tools for, precariousness at the paid and unpaid work continuum. The project is led by Valeria Pulignano and funded by the European Research Council (ERC) under the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme (grant agreement n° 833577)

Ongoing research projects

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- › Berntsen, L. and Marino, S. (2023), «Guest editorial: State policies and regulations towards migrant work in times of, and beyond, the COVID-19 pandemic», International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy, Vol. 43 No. 3/4, pp. 293-305. <https://doi.org/10.1108/IJSSP-04-2023-547>
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- › Boréus, K., Behtou, A., Mörkenstam, U., Neergaard, A., Yazdanpanah, S., Boréus, K., Neergaard, A., & Sohl, L. (2021). Skilda ojämlikhetsregimer? En jämförelse av praktikerna på kvinno- och mansdominerade arbetsplatser [Different regimes of inequality? A comparison of practices in female- and male-dominated workplaces]. I Ojämlika arbetsplatser: Hierarkier, diskriminering och strategier för jämlikhet. Nordic Academic Press & Kriterium.
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5. METHODOLOGICAL APPROACHES AND TOOLS IN MIGRATION RESEARCH (METH@MIG)

Coordinators:

- Justyna Salamońska, Kozminski University, Poland
- Agata Górny, University of Warsaw, Poland
- Laila Omar, University of Toronto, Canada
- Steffen Pötzschke, Leibniz-Institute for the Social Sciences, Germany
- Sebastian Rinken, Institute for Advanced Social Studies, Spanish Research Council, Spain
- Evren Yalaz, GRITIM-UPF, Spain

The Meth@Mig aims to contribute to raising the methodological quality of migration studies across the full range of (quantitative, qualitative, mixed, and emergent) approaches. In pursuit of this goal, most of the events organized by the SC throughout 2022 tackled issues related to the new data sources commonly tagged as “big data”. We contributed two themed panel sessions to IMISCOE’s Oslo Conference, which linked to the main conference topic, that is temporal dimensions in migration research. Additionally other conference panels under the Meth@Mig brand featured new data and new approaches to traditional data, qualitative approaches in the context of new technologies, and combinations of various data sources, respectively. During the 19th Annual IMISCOE conference in Oslo Meth@Mig organized meeting for members and all participants interested in the activities of the SC.

We also participated actively in sessions organized by the network’s PhD franchise. Special mention is due to a workshop on “Digitization of Migration Research: Promises and Pitfalls” celebrated in Warsaw in May, 2022 – two years later than originally planned because of the COVID-19 pandemic. This event drew about 30 active participants from many countries, who engaged in vivid debates on salient methodological problems regarding new data sources. Also in May of 2022, in collaboration with the ECPR Standing Group Migration and Ethnicity, we hosted an online workshop on “Ethical Issues in Migration Research”. In 2022 we worked together with the Reflexivities SC on the organization of an online workshop on the topic of integrating reflexivity into survey research. As for key publications, two of the SC’s coordinators co-edited a monograph titled “Migration Research in a Digitized World”, published in July 2022 in Springer’s IMISCOE Research Series and since accessed more than 15.000 times.

In addition to on-site gatherings in Oslo and Warsaw, the SC coordinators met regularly via videoconference; in 2022 we were delighted to welcome Laila Omar as PhD representative on the SC’s board. At the end of 2022, the Meth@Mig SC had 58 registered members; we keep working to ensure participants in SC events register formally for membership. We also have the SC emailing lists which we utilize to disseminate information about the ongoing activities and calls for papers. The SC’s Twitter account is its main channel of communication regarding SC activities as well as wider information on migration research methods.

Apart from giving continuity to the activities described above, in 2023 the SC will further develop its online presence and resources available on its website. The SC will take part in the 20th IMISCOE Annual Conference in Warsaw. Our plans include a second on-site workshop, to be celebrated in Córdoba (Spain) on “Detecting and mitigating bias in migration research”, with a view to turning such specifically SC sponsored methodological debates into an annual fixture. The SC member Hannah Pool will run a series of online Method Troubleshooting Sessions. We are also planning on developing further activities in cooperation with other IMISCOE SCs.

6. MIGRATION POLITICS AND GOVERNANCE (MIGPOG)

MigPoG Coordinators:

Cathrine Talleraas, PRIO and Chri. Michelsen Institute (CMI), Norway
Maria Schiller, EUR, Erasmus University, The Netherlands

MigPoG Phd Representatives:

Dorothea Pozzato, Scuola Normale Superiore, Italy
Andrea Ricci, Politecnico di Torino, Italy

Brief presentation of the goals of MigPoG SC:

The Migration Politics and Governance (MigPoG) Standing Committee (SC) takes a broad and comprehensive approach to the study of migration policy, one which aims at promoting dialogue between scholars focusing on the politics and governance of migration. MigPoG starts from the assumption that in a context of increasing politicisation of migration, governance and politics should be thematised as the two facets of the same coin. The SC has the ambition of covering migration policy in a broad sense, including immigration, emigration, border control, integration, asylum seekers and refugees etc.

From a geographical point of view, MigPoG intends to contribute to the overcoming of the national- government and receiving country-centred bias of much research on migration policy, which is still highly characterised by a Eurocentric (or more broadly West-centric) approach. From a disciplinary perspective, the SC aims at catalysing scholars working on migration policy from different approaches, reflecting an understanding of policy as the product of the interaction between multiple actors. MigPoG strives for cross-disciplinarity and mixed-methodological approaches to the study of migration politics and governance.

Through its broad definition of migration policy, ample geographical scope and critical approach to politicisation dynamics, MigPoG intends to contribute to the development of the field of migration policy studies in the sense of a greater integration between the political and governance facets of migration policy and policy-making.

Our activities in 2022:

Panels at the Annual Conference in Oslo

- › The SC received a high number of panel and paper proposals for the 2022 Annual Conference. This resulted in the organization of 12 panels. All panels have been well attended.
- › MigPoG organized a workshop and a topical panel on the rippling effects of EU migration governance in Africa. This resulted in the elaboration of a Special Issue Proposal, accepted for future publication in the journal *International Migration Review* (eds. Cathrine Talleraas and Ida Marie Vammen)
- › MigPoG Workshop “The Future Agenda of the SC MigPoG” during the Annual Conference in Oslo: After two years where in person contacts have been reduced, the SC decided to organize an interactive workshop to define the future agenda of MIGPOG, together with its members. After a brief introduction on the main themes of the MigPoG SC and on its evolution, the workshop continued along three discussion groups, covering three current themes and debates that were identified based on accepted conference papers and panels. These were: A -Geographies and temporalities of

policies of migration and immigrant integration (coordinated by Jessica Hagen-Zanker); B -Politics, government and the role of non-state actors in migration and diversity governing (coordinated by Christine Lang) C -Impact/outcome of policies (and interlinkages with generic and specific policies) (coordinated by Sarah Spencer). After the workshop, participants were invited to an informal get together, which was well attended and allowed participants to meet informally and network.

MigPoG Quarterly Newsletter

Since November 2022, the SC inaugurated a quarterly newsletter to be send out to its members. The newsletter aims at keeping in touch with MigPoG members, and to disseminate information on events, publications, CfPs related to MigPoG activity and topics of interests.

Ongoing work and plans for 2023 (and beyond)

With 2023 Annual Conference approaching, coordinators have been busy in selecting and organizing MigPoG panels. The final selection of MigPoG related activities, include 34 panels, 5 workshops, 68 on-site papers (submitted individually - clustered into 15 additional panels), and 44 online papers (submitted individually - clustered into 9 additional panels). To facilitate networking between new and old members of the SC, the SC is planning an informal event to be held on the first day of the Conference in Warsaw.

7. MIGRANT TRANSNATIONALISM (MITRA)

Coordinators until 30 June 2022

Marta Bivand Erdal, Peace Research Institute (PRIO), Oslo, Norway

Erik Snel, Erasmus University Rotterdam (EUR), The Netherlands

Coordinators from 1 July 2022

Brigitte Suter (Malmö University) and Özge Bilgili (Utrecht University).

For the second half of 2022 the board also consisted of two PhD representatives Bianca Luna (University of Southampton) and Naiara Rodriguez (University of Kent) as well as Marie Godin (Oxford University), Karlijn Haagsman (Maastricht University), Benjamin Etzold (BICC), Ludek Jirka (University of Hradec Kralove), Eralba Cela (University of Milan) and Paulo Boccagni (University of Trento).

The objective of the Standing Committee on Migrant Transnationalism (MITRA) is to provide an arena within IMISCOE for exchange on migrant transnationalism. The transnational turn was an innovation in migration studies and offered a new perspective for overcoming the limitations of methodological nationalism. It has provided new insights into integration issues, the functioning of diasporas, political movements, economic and social remittances and methodological strategies for multi-sited research. It has also questioned the very notion of migration. In many cases, people who lead transnational lives are considered a challenge to dominant conceptualizations of migration, undermining the assumption that people move from one country to another and remain settled in one place.

The Standing Committee on Migrant Transnationalism is not focused on a certain migrant category (for example in terms of gender or age), nor is it focused on certain institutional spheres (such as the labour market, politics or culture). It is also not specifically aimed at governance structures and policy strategies. Our inclusive and interdisciplinary standing committee aims

to enhance and make visible the value and critical perspectives a transnational approach can bring to cutting-edge research on migration, mobility and social cohesion.

Agenda of activities

To represent and develop the field of research on migrant transnationalism within IMISCOE, and in migration studies in general, the Standing Committee on Migrant Transnationalism has engaged in a diverse set of activities.

2022 was a year of transition for MITRA with a change of board members and the allocation of new board members. We had an open call to invite new board members and promoted inclusion/participation of academics across the board. Despite this transition, MITRA remained active in the annual conference, PhD activities and social media presence. We also worked towards upcoming activities in early 2023. After the Annual Conference the number of members grew which is a good indication that we were able to attract new scholars. Towards the end of 2022, in line with our plans, we introduced a new mailing list to communicate more actively and structurally with our members.

MITRA was present at the Annual Conference in Oslo. We had two SC panels and a relatively large number of MITRA-tagged panels. We also had a SC business meeting where IMISCOE members were invited to learn more about the SC. In this meeting we also said good-bye to the old board members and introduced the new board members. The new SC co-chair, Özge Bilgili, led the semi-plenary on temporalities and transnationalism.

The PhD representatives organised three writing retreat sessions (one in collaboration with the GenSem Standing Committee) and three MigranTea sessions (MigranTea is a collaborative space where MITRA's PhD members as well as those interested in migrant transnationalism come together to share research insights, present ideas and create a network of early-stage researchers).

In November 2022, MITRA has had approximately 110 members. We have a Facebook account with 856 followers and a Twitter account with 546 followers.

Output

Longer-term aims which our activities may help us reach, include joint publications, and research project funding. In the future, special issues of relevant journals, including Comparative Migration Studies, and book proposals for the IMISCOE Springer book series, will be actively considered. Funding for research projects, and proposal development, on themes related to the Standing Committee and involving several IMISCOE member institutions, are another likely outcome in the longer term.

8. MIGRATION, CITIZENSHIP AND POLITICAL PARTICIPATION (MIGCITPOL)

SC Chair: Gianni D'Amato

SC co-coordinators: Gianni D'Amato, Jean-Thomas Arrighi, Ana Margheritis, Luicy Pedroza, Sebastián Umpiérrez de Reguero

PhD Representative : Sebastián Umpierrez de Reguero

MIGCITPOL's core mission is to compare how citizenship status and rights are legally regulated, and explore how the resulting institutional opportunity structure influences migrants' access to naturalization and their political participation in home and host countries. Our SC thus combines a top-down analytical approach aiming to understand how underlying regulations regarding naturalization and migrant enfranchisement evolve over time and across countries, on the one hand, with a bottom-up focus on migrants' practices of engagement in electoral and non-electoral mobilisations aiming at influencing the political decision-making process, on the other.

Our approach is comparative and aims to cover all regions of the world affected by international migration. It is transnational, paying symmetric attention to immigrants and emigrants, and to the institutional context in origin and receiving countries. It is multilevel because we encourage our members to look beyond the nation-state as the sole provider of citizenship and political participation rights. It is pluralist, because it gathers researchers all human and social science disciplines sharing the same thematic interest, in a spirit of mutual dialogue and learning.

In 2022, our main highlight was the organisation of a two-day Workshop at the University of Neuchâtel, in partnership with the NCCR on the move. On May 23-24, twelve international scholars from four continents met in Neuchâtel to present their research on "citizenship from paper to practice: global perspectives on the implementation gap. The contributions and proposal were then accepted for publication in a Special Issue of the journal *Comparative Migration studies*, edited by two of our coordinators, Luicy Pedroza and Jean-Thomas Arrighi, to be published by the end of 2023 (now under review).

Our presence at the Annual IMISCOE conference in Oslo (July 2022) has been exceptionally large. The Standing Committee organized a record number of 17 panels and one Workshop. As it is customary, it also organized its annual Business Meeting, which provided an opportunity to discuss ongoing activities with existing members and attract new ones.

For the conference in Warsaw (July 2023) we received 85 Paper proposals, from which 11 Panel proposals, and 4 Workshop proposals emanated.

Throughout 2022, we organized a series of bi-monthly "MIGCITPOL cafés". These are online gatherings with the aim of creating a virtual space for networking and exchange between established and more junior members of our community. In these cafés, our attendees -members and non-members; people who learn about us in such an informal and social setting- can share their experiences around the topics and questions that are relevant in our profession and field regardless of career stage. As these questions are relevant from graduate training onwards, this initiative is led by our PhD representative, and we actively promote it among young scholars. This activity has also provided an opportunity to strengthen our presence on digital social networks and attract new members.

In 2022, MIGCITPOL also supported the publication of a long-awaited book entitled "Revising the Integration-Citizenship Nexus in Europe" in the IMISCOE Research Series. The editors are all active members of MIGCITPOL: Roxana Barbulescu, Sara Wallace Goodman and Luicy Pedroza. The volume includes chapters by 15 authors of different gender, nationalities, and career stages (from PhD students to Professors), 11 of which are researchers of IMISCOE Institutes in Europe.

In 2023, MIGCITPOL will be dedicating a lot of time and energy organizing its Annual Workshop, entitled “Governing Migrant Citizenship Rights in Times of Crisis.”. In line with IMISCOE’s global aims, the event will be held outside of Europe and engage with specialists from all regions of the world. The date was selected to fit the schedule of the IPSA Congress in Buenos Aires. This is the first and hopefully not the last time that a MIGCITPOL event takes IMISCOE’s presence to countries beyond Europe. We hope that this is a path to widen the confines of our association and let it be known in other regions of the world.

The event will thus be hosted by Universidad Torcuato Di Tella (Buenos Aires, Argentina) on 20 July 2023 and result in the publication of an edited volume. With a Call for Papers that was tailored to MIGCITPOL, we expect that selected contributions will be part of a refereed publication featuring contributions from political scientists, law, and history.

9. OLDER MIGRANTS

Coordinators: **Tineke Fokkema** (Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute, University of Groningen, Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands) and **Ruxandra Oana Ciobanu** (Faculty of Social Work, University of Applied Sciences and Arts Western Switzerland – HETSL / HES-SO).

PhD representative: **Livia Tomas Eggimann** (PhD student at University of Neuchâtel)

The aim of the Standing Committee ‘Older migrants’ (SC) is to facilitate exchanges and collaborations between junior and senior researchers interested in the nexus between ageing and migration. The SC has been active since 2010.

In 2022 the SC ‘Older migrants’ has organized one conference. The conference took place in September 2022 in Lisbon and was attended by 12 persons. The goals of the conference were to create new synergies among the members particularly post the COVID-19 pandemic, and to give a place to PhD students and answer their questions.

During the IMISCOE Annual conference, the SC ‘Older migrants’ organized three panels.

- › Livia Tomas Eggimann and Mihaela Nedelcu (University of Neuchâtel) co-organized a research panel on “Temporal dynamics of transnational ageing”.
- › Tineke Fokkema (NIDI/EUR) and Nina Conkova (Leyden Academy) co-organized a research panel on “Subjective well-being of older migrants”.
- › Aija Lulle (Loughborough University) and Dr Eralba Cela (University of Milano) organised a research panel on “Return migration and ageing”.

In addition, throughout the year, SC members organised five events, with the specificity that these events were sometimes organised jointly by SC members and other members contributed as speakers, which shows the cohesion between SC members. The SC coordinators co-organized an IMISCOE webinar on ‘Older migrants, race and racism’ on 23rd May 2022, in which Prof. Sandra Torres (University of Uppsala) gave a talk. Two other events were organised in the context of the Gerontological Society of America’s Interest Group on International Aging and Migration.

SC members published six papers and chapters, and one special issue in *The Gerontologist*. Additionally, there are several publications in the pipeline. Particularly, Sandra Torres and Alis-tair Hunter have edited the *Handbook of Migration and Ageing* at Edward Elgar Publishing,

which came out in 2023. This handbook is edited by two Standing Committee members and has contributions by 12 SC members.

Regarding 2023, SC members have submitted or are planning to submit research proposals and there are three special issues in preparation.

PUBLICATIONS

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Guest editor Special Issue

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EVENTS

Oana Ciobanu and Tineke Fokkema co-organized an IMISCOE webinar on ‘Older migrants, race and racism’, 23 May 2022, in which Prof. Sandra Torres (University of Upsala) gave a talk.

Sandra Torres was the co-organiser of a webinar hosted by the Gerontological Society of America's Interest Group on International Aging and Migration, entitled “Webinar on the Impact of the Russian War on Ukraine's Older Population”, 26 May 2022. Alistair Hunter was one of the speakers. The title of his presentation was: “The evidence base on older displaced people: What we know, what we need to know, and what is most relevant for older Ukrainians currently.”

Allen Glicksman and Freya Diederich (non-member) co-organized a webinar hosted by the Gerontological Society of America's Interest Group on International Aging and Migration,

entitled “Webinar on Diversity in Aging Research, 14 October 2022. Oana Ciobanu was one of the speakers. The title of her presentation was: “Diversities of older migrants”.

Thijs van den Broek (EUR-ESHM), Tineke Fokkema (NIDI/EUR) and Nina Conkova (Leyden Academy) co-organized a session on ‘Ageing as a migrant’, Dag van de Sociologie, Groningen, 16 June 2022.

Nina Conkova (Leyden Academy), Tineke Fokkema (NIDI/EUR) and Marina Jonkers (Hogeschool Rotterdam) co-organized a conference on ‘Mythen en realiteit: Verleden, heden en toekomst van onderzoek en praktijk rondom oudere migranten’ [Past, present and future of research and practice around older migrants], Leiden, 1 November 2022. The conference was attended by 71 persons, consisting of researchers, practitioners, policymakers and older migrants.

10. REFLEXIVITIES IN MIGRATION STUDIES (REFLEXIVITIES)

Coordinator: Anna-Lisa Müller, Osnabrück University, Germany

Co-directors: Janine Dahinden (Université de Neuchâtel, Switzerland) and Andreas Pott (Osnabrück University, Germany)

The aim of this standing committee is to push forward a reflexive (and self-reflexive) perspective within migration studies. Given the growth, relevance and responsibility of migration studies, we strive to promote reflexivity in our research and to investigate on how the field of migration studies has emerged. Being reflexive in these two senses involves investigating how knowledge on migration is produced, circulated and utilized – both by us as researchers as well by other actors in the field. This endeavour tackles the embeddedness of the field of migration studies in wider societal and power relations and the risk to reproduce hegemonic structures.

On 29th April 2022, the SC held a session within the Anti-Racism Working Group webinar series on “Racism at the border”. It was chaired by Dr. Marta Kindler (WSN SiR and CMR University of Warsaw), board member of the SC. Kamila Fiałkowska (Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw) and Katarzyna Czarnota (Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań) presented research findings on and insights from activist engagement at the Polish-Belarusian border. The webinar brought together activists and academics to discuss within IMISCOE the criminalisation of non-European migrants as well as criminalisation of humanitarian aid. During the session, the participants discussed the role of academia, the use of language, categories of analysis and the use of the “state of emergency” as a tool for racism and social divisions. The session’s recording will be made publicly available via IMISCOE’s youtube channel.

At the IMISCOE Annual Conference in Oslo, the SC held two sessions on “Positionality and power of migration researchers: Searching for reflexive ways of knowledge production”. The sessions took place as hybrid events and were very well attended. In addition, a members’ meeting was held to inform the members about past and ongoing events, to welcome new members and to inform potentially interested colleagues about our work. Using a mentimeter survey, we managed to get a good discussion going both in the online and in the onsite world.

Furthermore, the two PhD students among our board members, Iva Dodevska and Stefan Manser-Egli, set up a series of peer feedback session for PhD students interested in and working with a reflexive approach within migration studies. The sessions took place online and provide the PhD students with a safe space for discussing both their research and other issues

regarding their work and life in academia. As the sessions turned out to be very successful in the summer term 2022, they continue in the winter term 2022/2023.

Organised by the SC's co-director Prof. Dr. Janine Dahinden and in collaboration with nccr – on the move (the “National Center of Competence in Research. The Migration-Mobility Nexus”), a blog series addressing Reflexive Migration Studies was realised. The nine contributions critically discuss the development of reflexive migration studies over the past two decades. Authors were partly our members, but also other scholars joined this series. The contributors answered an open call and were carefully selected in a review process of the abstracts submitted.

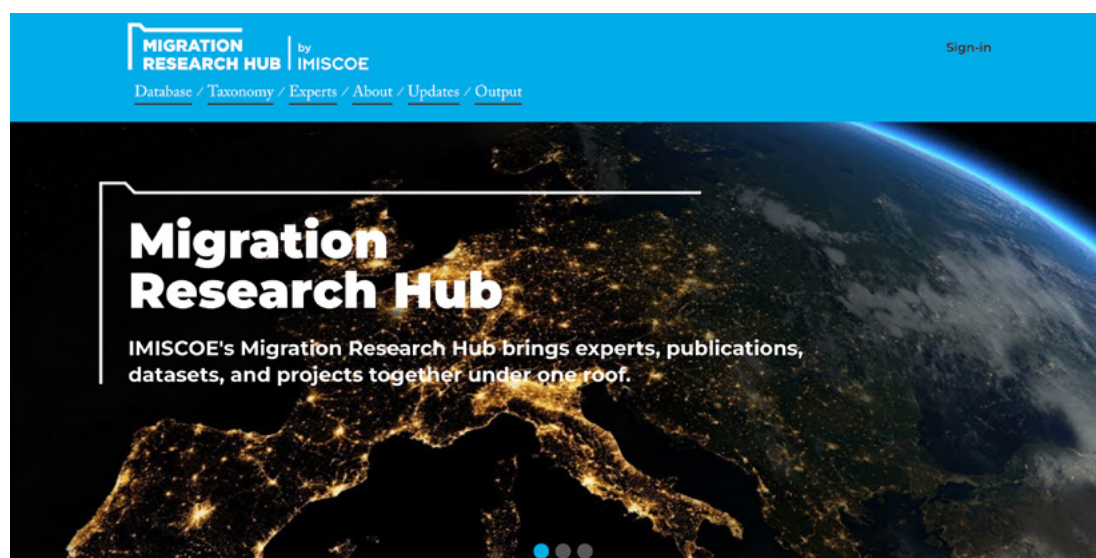
Currently, two publication projects are ongoing: the edited volume on “Reflexivities in Migration Studies: Pitfalls and Alternatives” (to be published within the IMISCOE OA series) and the Special Issue “Towards reflexivity in the study of mobility and diversity: theories, positionality and the political economy of knowledge production” (to be published with Migration Studies). Furthermore, a workshop on “Integrating Reflexivities into Survey Research” will be realised as online event in January 2023 together with the SC Meth@Mig. The SC will also organise two panels at the Annual Conference. Panel 1 is entitled “Reflexive practices that unsettle bordering in migration (studies)”, panel 2 “The practice of reflexivities in research”. In addition, the SC will hold its regular members’ meeting at the conference. In September 2023, the conference “Migration Studies and Social Theory: Problematizing Ontologies, De-Centering Migration” will take place at the University of Tübingen, Germany. It is organised by Iva Dodevska, Stefan Manser-Egli, Boris Nieswand and Anja Weiß, all members of the SC.

7.2 MIGRATION RESEARCH HUB

IMISCOE's Migration Research Hub (MRH) is an interactive research database that brings publications, datasets and projects together under one roof. This constantly growing database lists profiles of experts in the field of migration studies, highlighting the topics, methods and disciplines of their expertise. With this tool, scholars and stakeholders can find relevant literature, data and other information structured according to the taxonomy of migration studies. This helps knowledge users and producers find the most relevant information. Because the MRH is designed as open tool, all migration scholars are invited to create a profile on the MRH to increase the visibility of their work.

This MRH relies on a number of connections with databases that feed automatically the MRH and the researchers' profiles. One such database is Clarivate Web of Science with which the IMISCOE Coordinator has signed a service agreement. Most importantly, the MRH was created in cooperation with two IT companies: YoungMinds led by Bogdan Taut and Dotdesign led Alexandru Butică. In 2022, the excellent cooperation with these two companies has allowed IMISCOE to maintain the MRH up-to-date and discuss further development for possible implementation in the future. In 2022, the Coordinator and our webdesign service provider (Desgin-Server led by René de Ree and Marco Legemaate) have also worked on reinforcing the articulation of the MRH with our conference platform.

More details on the MRH can be found here: <https://migrationresearch.com/>



7.3 IMISCOE AWARDS

1. MARIA BAGANHA DISSERTATION AWARD

Since 2010, the Maria Ioannis Baganha Distinguished Dissertation Award stimulates and recognizes excellent PhD research in the field of migration. The competition is open to all PhD recipients whose dissertation was defended within the 24-month period preceding the submission deadline.

Maria Ioannis Baganha was a leading migration scholar at the University of Coimbra's Centre for Social Studies. She was one of the IMISCOE's founding members and the chair of its Board of Directors until she passed away in June 2009. To commemorate her work in the field of migration studies and her commitment to the network, the IMISCOE Board of Directors has dedicated the IMISCOE dissertation award to her.

The winner of the award is selected through a careful review process conducted by the Maria Baganha Award Committee. Every year, members of the committee go through great length to read and discuss a large number of manuscripts. Their work has been and continues to be critical in making this Award one of the most coveted prizes for young scholars in the field of migration studies.

IMISCOE Award Committee Members as of May 2023

- Rosa Aparicio (Chair) Instituto Universitario Ortega y Gasset
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- Endre Sik – Institute for Sociology, Centre for Social Sciences
- Judith Tóth - Faculty of Law and Political Science, University of Szeged

The winner of the 2022 Maria Ioannis Baganha Dissertation Award is Hannah Pool. Her dissertation entitled “Doing the Game”. The Moral Economy of Coming to Europe, was defended at the University of Cologne, in June 2021. Drawing on multi-sited ethnography, Hannah Pool describes the dangerous and fragmented journeys of Afghan mohajers from Iran to Turkey, Greece, the Balkans and Germany. Travelling and being aided at parts by smugglers is termed “doing the game” by the candidate. The Committee found that the dissertation offers an excellent and in-depth analysis of this practice but also the social groups that are formed before and during the journey.



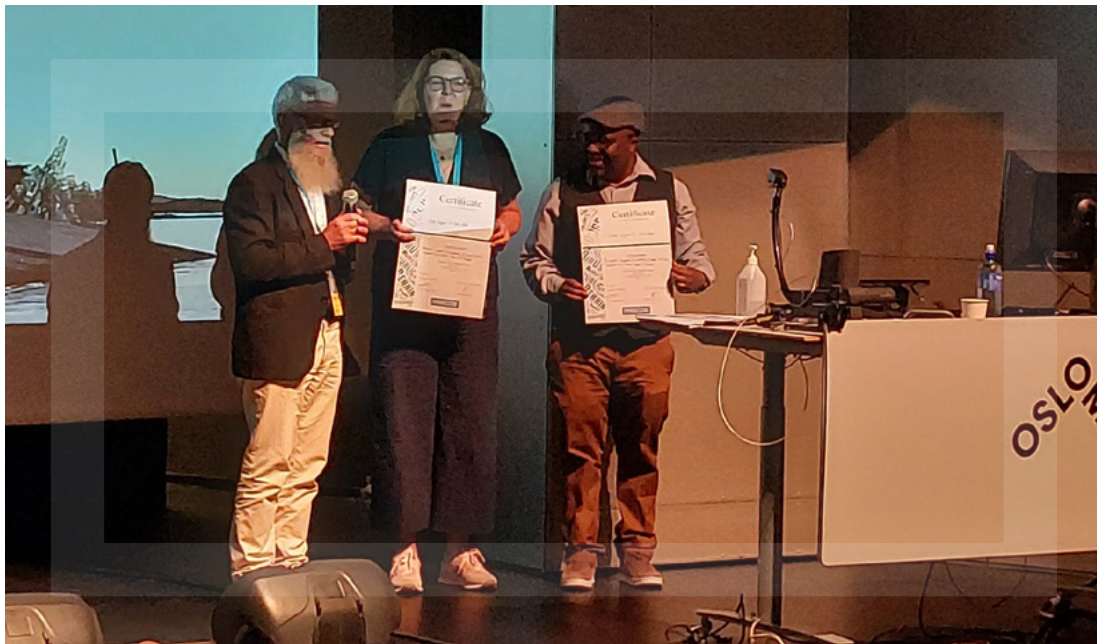
2. RINUS PENNINX BEST PAPER AWARD

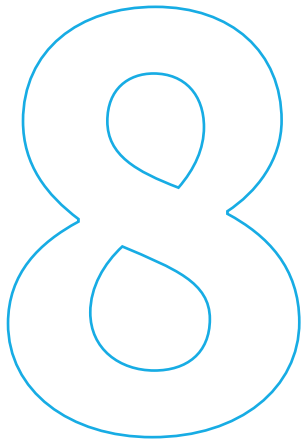
The Rinus Penninx Best Paper Award was established in 2014, when Rinus Penninx retired as coordinator of IMISCOE. The IMISCOE Annual Conference of Amsterdam in late August 2014 was the first occasion that the Award was assigned. Rinus Penninx is the chair of a jury of 8-10 experienced IMISCOE-researchers. The jury decides on the winner in a last meeting during the Annual Conference. In May 2022, a jury of eight members was confirmed: Ruxandra Oana Ciobanu, Blanca Garcés-Mascareñas, Pedro Gois, Laura Oso, Ursula Reeger, Jens Schneider, Deniz Sert and Rinus Penninx.

By the end of May, 10 papers had been nominated and by June 15, the first evaluation round of 10 nominations was finished (all ten papers were read by three members of the jury) and resulted in a shortlist of three papers. These shortlisted papers have been evaluated by each member of the jury.

During the conference jury members decided unanimously that the winners of the Award were Asaf Augusto, Elisa Alves, Russell King & Jorge Malheiros, “Reciprocal migration: the coloniality of recent two-way migration links between Angola and Portugal.” The jury noted that the is “a highly innovative theoretical and empirical contribution to understand the reciprocal migrations between Angola and Portugal over the last 10-15 years. While migration is normally studied as a one-way street, this paper seeks to shed light on the reciprocity and dynamics of migration in a postcolonial setting which is a highly innovative approach. The empirical material is rich and very well presented and theory is established profoundly. Furthermore, the authors offer an insight into power relations behind these migrations, using and adapting the core-periphery theory.”

The Prize-certificate was handed to Asaf Augusto and Elisa Alves by Rinus Penninx in the name of the coordinator of IMISCOE and of the chief editor of the journal Comparative Migration Studies.





IMISCOE EVENTS

8.1 SPRING CONFERENCE

SHIFTING RATIONALITIES IN MIGRATION POLICIES THROUGHOUT EUROPE?

THE (UN)MAKING OF INTEGRATION BY DISCOURSES, POLICIES AND MIGRANT STRATEGIES, University Duisburg-Essen, 16-18th March 2022

IMISCOE's Spring Conference in 2022 took place at the Interdisciplinary Centre for Integration and Migration Research (InZentIM), (<https://www.uni-due.de/inzentim/>) at the University Duisburg-Essen (<https://www.uni-due.de/de/index.php>), which is an IMISCOE member institute since 2019.

The conference (<https://www.uni-due.de/iaq/imiscoe-spring-conference-2022.php>) focused on shifting rationalities in migration studies having in mind that migration studies are increasingly reflecting and re-arranging their core categories and shifting their attention from questions of 'what' towards 'how' (Pisarevskaya et al. 2020). Consistent with a demigrantization of migration research (Dahinden 2016), they focus on modes of producing migrants and migration through policies. While it is hard to characterize current European migration and integration policies as being overall either liberal or restrictive, social and integration policies have become more intertwined with migration control (cf. Atac/Rosenberg 2019) in a fragmented manner at EU, nation state or regional level (cf. Bojadžijev 2011). Consequently, migrants are classified in multiple contradictory ways – according to their attributed legal status, their employability, their income and further categories like gender and/or race (cf. Morris 2002).

These developments result in a multiplication of migrants' statuses, something which so far has not been connected adequately to (1) political programs, discourses and rationalities, (2) multilevel forms of governance and (3) migrants' practices.

The conference's programme

(https://www.uni-due.de/imperia/md/content/iaq/2022_brochure_imiscoe_spring_conference.pdf)

included 8 panels with 32 presentations and an IMISCOE phd network slot with dialogues on mixed methods in migration research.

The conference was mainly organized by the Migration and Social Policy Research Group at the Institute for Work Skills and Training at the University Duisburg-Essen. As representatives of the organizing team and researchers of the Migration and Social Policy research group, Katrin Menke and Thorsten Schlee contributed to the conference with findings out of their research about „The unmaking of integration: Considerations and Findings in the tension between Migration and Social Policy.

In her Keynote Lydia Morris (University of Essex) presented findings on the moral economy of welfare and migration.

Ioana Vrabiescu (Vrije University Amsterdam) outlined in her keynote her considerations on „The EU dynamics of integration and disintegration: another era for mobility and migration “.

Against the background of the pandemic the conference was held online. Although the organizers would have loved to host the IMISCOE community in the exciting post-industrial and migration shaped cities of Duisburg and Essen this format opened the spring conference for more participants from all over the world. 180 persons registered for the conference and discussed on issues of categorization in migration and social policy and their social impacts.



8.2 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

MIGRATION AND TIME: TEMPORALITIES OF MOBILITY, GOVERNANCE, AND RESISTANCE, OSLO, JUNE 29-JULY 1ST 2022.

The 19th IMISCOE Conference was hosted by the Centre for Welfare and Labour Research at the Oslo Metropolitan University, in a collaborative effort with the other Oslo IMISCOE members, the Institute for Social Research (ISF), the Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO) and the Fafo Institute for Labour and Social Research. The conference was sponsored by OsloMet, City of Oslo, and IMISCOE.

The host institutions engage in migration research through a variety of disciplines, methodologies and theoretical perspectives, and the topic of the conference – Migration and Time – brought these diversities together. With plenary speakers Melanie Griffiths, Liz Mavroudi, Jakub Bijak, Brenda Yeoh, Parvati Raghuram, Russell King, Valentina Mazzucato, and Paweł Kaczmarczyk one of the main topics was the temporal turn in migration studies. With around 1300 participants attending the event either on-site or online, the conference was big, lively – and a welcome opportunity for many to meet again after a long time of online events. The conference was fully-vegetarian and the main event non-alcoholic. The Mayor of Oslo invited the participants to a reception in the City Hall, and the weather could not have been better.

We are very happy that we managed to successfully organize the first hybrid IMISCOE Annual Conference. Planning this event was challenging in many ways, due to the special circumstances in which the conference was prepared and organized. First, the many uncertainties derived from the Covid-19 pandemic made it quite difficult to make financial and logistical decisions until the last minute. To adapt to this challenging context, our only option was to plan for a fully-blended hybrid conference, while also being ready to go completely online in case the pandemic would have made that the only option. Secondly, work and collaboration in both our local and international organising committees was not only disrupted by the pandemic, but also by the Russian invasion on Ukraine. While some in our ranks were fighting a virus, others were housing refugees. Third, four days before the conference started, a mass shooting targeting Oslo's LGBTQ population took place 600 meters from the main venue, which led us to carefully assess new risk considerations.

In the end, with more than 100 employees and volunteers involved in the conference planning and organization, we managed to host a safe, fun and intellectually stimulating conference. We are very proud of what we were able to achieve under such challenging circumstances, and very grateful for the enthusiastic feedback from participants! So many volunteers from all ranks of the host institutions contributed to the conference with their time, energy, and intellect. Clad in yellow T-shirts they (from directors, through professors, researchers, and students) did their utmost to ensure pleasant and stimulating environments for all during the three days in Oslo. Furthermore, the organization of a fully-blended hybrid conference made possible by our inclusive technical facilities at OsloMet allowed us to ensure the full conference participation of many of our colleagues who were unfortunately hindered from coming to Oslo due to either usual visa processing conundrums, quarantine measures or personal health reasons which made international travel complicated in the summer of 2022. As shown in the post-conference survey, allowing the possibility to present and engage virtually with the colleagues participating on-site in Oslo was greatly appreciated by those who joined the event online.

Although the fully-blended hybrid format ensured the organization of a more inclusive and diverse event, it also taught us several important lessons that could guide and inspire us for the preparation of future large IMISCOE events. First, we learned how important it is to start the conference planning with considerable time in advance. This is crucial not only to ensure that conference hosts can better prepare logistically for such a big event that often needs to be organized under special circumstances, but also to ensure that participants have sufficient time to secure visa invitations and applications or book their travel in advance at more affordable prices. Second, we whole-heartedly believe that hybrid and online conferences are the right way going forward, especially considering the global climate crisis that affects all of us. Yet, we learned that hybrid formats are quite demanding in terms of the logistical and financial aspects involved, especially considering the increasing number of participants and parallel sessions at IMISCOE Annual Conferences. From our experience, these points are definitely considerations that the IMISCOE community needs to keep in mind when planning for future annual gatherings.

We are grateful for the opportunity to host the 19th IMISCOE Annual Conference and look forward to the developments in the years to come!





8.3 IMISCOE PHD SCHOOL

SUMMER SCHOOL ON MIGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT, CHARLES UNIVERSITY, 14-20TH AUGUST 2022

Eighty participants (including 25 Ph.D. students) from more than forty countries participated in the week-long Summer School on Migration and Development at the Faculty of Science of the Charles University, Prague (Czechia) from Sunday 14, August, to Saturday 20, August 2022. The program was organized by the Geomigrace – Geographic Migration Centre from the Department of Social Geography and Regional Development with the support of the IMISCOE (International Migration Research Network). Moreover, the United Nations Information Centre Prague was a partner of the program. The summer school took place on the campus of Albertov.

As outlined above, the main theme of the Summer School was the relationship between migration and development, including the discussion of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which the international community within the UN has committed to achieve by 2030.

Prominent international experts in migration research and teaching were featured as lecturers - keynote lectures were delivered by Marie Price (George Washington University), Tanja Bastia (University of Manchester), and Brenda Yeoh (National University of Singapore). The entire team of lecturers was experienced and of high quality and was represented by experts, particularly from Central and Eastern Europe, but also from Africa or the Americas.

During one of the afternoons, apart from other activities, there was a chance for Ph.D. students – those who still have been working on their doctoral research projects - to present their selected results while getting feedback from experienced, senior researchers and teachers

(Marie Price, Josef Novotny, Eva Janska, Dusan Drbohlav). Other participants could listen to discussions and contribute as well with their views and opinions. The following varied mosaic of topics was presented:

- Fadi Hasan (Osnabrück University) - Family practices between agency and structure and beyond: Syrian spouses in Germany
- Gabriele De Luca (Danube University Krems) - The computational modeling of human migration
- Shahanaz Parven (RUDN University) - Political management of labour migration from Bangladesh
- Thu Huong Pham (Palacky University Olomouc) - Partner choice of second-generation Vietnamese in the Czech Republic
- Mateusz Krawczyk (University of Wrocław) - Refugee hybrid identity from the perspective of their subjective ability to reconstruct living conditions
- Deepica Sachdeva, Hochschule Fulda – University of Applied Sciences - Migrant women entrepreneurship in Germany
- Lidwina Gundacker (Institute for Employment Research in Nürnberg) - Spatial dimensions of the integration trajectories of refugees in Germany
- Ana Filipa Cândido (University Institute of Lisbon) - Portuguese emigration and development

To summarize, the Summer School program reminded participants of old, and, at the same time, brought new views of the migration and development nexus. In addition to expert commentary on important topics, the Summer School offered participants ample opportunities for discussion, sharing their own experiences, research results, or activities from their practice.



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COLLABORATIONS, SPONSORSHIPS AND AGREEMENTS WITH THIRD PARTY PROVIDERS



9.1 EUMIGS

The EuMIGS European Master in Migration Studies: Student mobility after the pandemic: After international student mobility had been significantly curtailed by the Covid-19 pandemic for almost two years, it regained momentum in 2022. The pandemic offered an opportunity for the EuMIGS consortium to explore virtual modes of international exchange and student mobility, but the Covid-19 restrictions also underlined the importance of physical spaces for teaching and learning among peers. During the spring semester 2022, 15 EuMIGS Double Degree students were able to attend most of their classes in-person at their respective host universities. Thanks to the financial support of IMISCOE, eight of them travelled to the 19th IMISCOE Annual Conference in Oslo to present their master thesis in two panels organized

by EuMIGS. The Double Degree cohort 2022/2023 kicked off their second year abroad with a face-to-face meeting in Neuchâtel in November 2022.

Despite this return to physical student mobility, the EuMIGS consortium continued to build on the expertise developed during the Covid-19 pandemic, namely on the experiences of two editions of a joint virtual course and two lecture series. During the autumn semester 2022, the EuMIGS partner institutes organized a joint online course on refugee reception in the (trans-) local context, that was also open to non-Double Degree students enrolled in our master programmes, and a public lecture series on the same topic.

New partners joined the EuMIGS network: With the renewal of the EuMIGS Double Degree agreement in 2022, two partners of the extended EuMIGS network joined the Double Degree programme: the University of Liège and the Paris Lodron University of Salzburg. The EuMIGS Double Degree programme currently involves seven partner universities in A Coruña, Liège, Linköping, Malmö, Neuchâtel, Osnabrück, and Salzburg with a two-years master programme in the field of migration studies, taught fully or partly in English.

Also the wider EuMIGS network successfully renewed its Erasmus+ multilateral agreement in 2022. The agreement, that connects 13 IMISCOE member institutes in Europe, enables regular one- to two-semester student exchanges and short teaching mobilities. Two migration master programmes joined the network in 2022: the Master Migrations of EHESS and Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, and the Master in Humanitarian Action of ISCTE – University Institute of Lisbon.

Erasmus+ Cooperation Partnership project: In 2022, the seven EuMIGS Double Degree partners applied for and were awarded an Erasmus+ Cooperation Partnership grant by the European Commission. With this financial support, EuMIGS aims to strengthen the institutional cooperation between the partners and develop – over a three-years period – a joint curriculum of virtual, blended, and in-person teaching for Double Degree and regular migration master students. Moreover, the grant also allows us to fund students who travel to attend EuMIGS events. Through this funding and the development of virtual and blended activities with a short physical mobility component, EuMIGS aims to make international student mobility more accessible to students who, for various reasons, are not able to or do not want to participate in a one-semester or full year exchange.

Updates on the different activities implemented within the frame of the Erasmus+ Cooperation Partnership project have been regularly posted, since the last quarter of 2022, on the EuMIGS website (www.eumigs.eu). We hope that the experiences of the project will be useful or serve as an inspiration for other forms of cooperation within the IMISCOE network, and we are looking forward to sharing more about the project with the IMISCOE member institutes!



9.2 COMPARATIVE MIGRATION STUDIES

Comparative Migration Studies (CMS) is an international, peer-reviewed open access journal that provides a platform for articles that focus on comparative research in migration, integration, and race and ethnic relations. CMS presents readers with an extensive collection of comparative analysis, including studies between countries, groups, levels, and historical periods. CMS publishes research based on qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods studies. Contributions cover a wide disciplinary angles across the social sciences and the humanities. Topics covered by the journal include migration and integration in relation to citizenship, national identity, refugee and asylum policy, social movements (pro and anti-immigration), gender, racialization, whiteness, ethnic and religious diversity and (post)colonialism.

CMS is published and owned by Springer. Yet, given IMISCOE's priority to support open and inclusive publication models, the University of Liege, as Coordinating Institute of the Network, has signed in 2022 a new sponsorship agreement with the publisher. Such sponsorship agreement allows IMISCOE to fully support each year a number of the Open Access articles published by IMISCOE members, while also providing some fee waivers for authors based in institutions outside of EU/OECD countries. In 2022, CMS also received its first Web of Science impact factor (4,417) reflecting the quality of the publication as well as the work and dedication of the Editorial Team for many years. On January 1st 2023, CMS co-editor Sawitri Saharso will leave her position after several years of excellent service to the journal and a call will be issued to replace her.

All articles published by CMS are accessible in Open Access on the Publisher's website:

<https://comparativemigrationstudies.springeropen.com/>

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9.3 CONFERENCE PLATFORM, WEBSITE & WEBEX

One important online element of IMISCOE's research infrastructure is our Conference Platform. In 2022, the IMISCOE Coordinator has further developed this tool which has become central for participants to the Annual Conference. To this end, we have worked closely together with our IT provider DesignServer led by René de Ree and Marco Legemaate that have also done a number of important updates to IMISCOE general Website in 2022. Concerning the Conference Platform in particular, we have implemented a tool that enables conference participants to select and store the selection of panels, workshops and events they wish to attend in order to generate their own personalized conference schedule. This was an important step to reduce the use of paper in conferences as well improve the experience of conference participants.

The Network Office has received great feedback from conference users with respect to this tool as well as other suggestions for improvements of the Conference Platform. The Network Office has analyzed these suggestions and wrote a plan to further improve the tool. This plan will be discussed in the network for possible implementation in the future. Another fundamental element of our online infrastructure is our Cisco Webex subscription. In 2022, our research community made an unprecedented use of this tool with the organization of our first fully blended Annual Conference. Executive and Standing Committees have also made a recurrent use of it for their events and meetings and our research community is now largely familiar with it.

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