



The Body in the  
Social Sciences



## **International Conference**

**con il patrocinio della Camera dei Deputati  
e dell'Assessorato alla Crescita culturale, Comune di Roma**

# **The Challenge of the Global Migrant Bodies on the Move and Cultural Differences**

**January 19-20, 2017**

**Refettorio Hall of the Chamber of Deputies  
via del Seminario 76 - Rome**

In this phase of history the “global migrant” is the new emerging figure. This “challenge” needs the affirmation of cultural differences, due to the various heritages of human groups, with their memories and identities.

This conference aims, therefore, at redefining integration and social cohesion to favour the definition of new policies concerning times, places, sites, bodies and settings. We ask for a substantial support by all people engaged in politics and culture, to build a new cultural framework able to face the new global context. Policies move, and their movement makes things happen.

But how do policies move? Who and what make them move? What happens as they arrive and settle in those “elsewheres”? What keeps them moving? Consequently, the present programme tries to provide an accessible but rigorous overview of transnational migration, as experienced by family and kinship groups, ethnic diasporas, immigrant associations and networks of entrepreneurs. Besides defining the core concept, it explores the implications of transnational migration for immigrant integration and its relationship to assimilation.

The connections between the places of origin and destination as well as onward and return movements are an integral component of migration. Transnational approaches certainly have not yet inspired a coherent theory or set of theories. They, rather, can be more adequately described as a perspective that has entered the study of manifold cross border phenomena.

This programme emerges as a response to the unsatisfactory state of both migration policies and theories. We also hope that Italy could become an example of integration between different peoples: a bridge between Africa, Asia and Europe, thanks to its geographic position, history and culture, and that it could help other European countries and U.N. member states.

## OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

January 19, 2017

**h 9.30-10.00 Welcome by Authorities and Presentation of the Conference**

**h. 10.00-11.30 Panel 1**

### REDEFINING INTEGRATION AND SOCIAL COHESION

Chair: **Roberto Cipriani**, University Rome 3, AIDU President

h 10.00-10.10 *Introduction*

h 10.10-10.30

**Rossana Salerno**, Kore University, Enna, Italy

*The Body and the Sacred. The Interreligious Dialogue*

h 10.30-10.50

**Kejie Huang**, Humboldt University of Berlin

*The Construction of Ethnic Identity of Chinese Descendants in Berlin*

h 10.50-11.10

**Chetan Sapkota and Khagendra Limbu**, New Conscious Society, Nepal

*Politics, Religion and Human Migration in Nepal*

h 11.10-11.30

**Hande Unsal**, Ondokuz Mayıs University, Samsun, Turkey

*History of Dual Nationality in Turkey: Changing Understandings and Rules*

**h 11.45-13.15 Panel 2**

### STRANGERS AT OUR DOOR. THE PANIC OF EUROPE AND MIGRANT'S WANDERING

Chair: **Luigi M. Solivetti**, Sapienza University, Rome

11.45-11.55 *Introduction*

11.55-12.15

**Ladan Rabari**, Ghent University, Belgium

*Gender, Migration and Embodiment: Story of a Muslim Migrant Woman Living in Belgium*

h 12.15-12.35

**Charis Anastasopoulos**, University of Cologne, Germany

*The Greek Discourse on Germany and German Migrants in Greece*

h 12.35-12.55

**Marxiano Melotti**, Niccolò Cusano University, Rome

*Beyond Lampedusa. Migrant Bodies between Heritage, Tourism and Cultural Policies*

h 12.55-13.15

**Maria João Guia**, University of Coimbra, Centre for Legal Research, Portugal  
*7 Mortal Common Points on the Crimmigration and the Criminalisation of the Immigration*

**h 13.15-13.30 Discussion**

**h 14.30-16.00 Panel 3**

### **THE CHALLENGES OF MIGRATION AND INTEGRATION**

Chair: **Umberto Melotti**, Inst. Maghreb-Europe and Schweizerische Akademie für Entwicklung  
h 14.30-14.40 *Introduction*

h 14.40-15.00

**Emanuela C. Del Re**, Niccolò Cusano University and President of Epos International mediating and negotiating agency  
*Migrations in the Mediterranean: from Current Stalemate to Structural Response*

h 15.00-15.20

**Mariusz Węgrzyn**, University of Gdansk, Poland  
*Popliberal Culture - Weakness and Strength of the West*

h 15.20-15.40

**Alessandra Sannella**, University of Cassino, Italy  
*Social Inclusion of Asylum Seekers and Health Protection*

h 15.40-16.00

**Marco Omizzolo**, Co-operative In Migrazione, Rome  
*Indians in Latina Province: Organization, Work and Human Trafficking*

**h. 16.15-17.45 Panel 4**

### **PEACE BUILDING. EMERGENT INEQUALITIES AND INTERSECTING DYNAMICS**

Chair: **Ugo Melchionda**, President of IDOS Centre and past Project Manager of IOM, Rome  
h 16.15-16.25 *Introduction*

h 16.25-16.45

**Francesco Maniglio**, International Center for Advanced Studies, Quito, Ecuador  
*The Brain Migration and the Global Social Injustice*

h 16.45-17.05

**Paul Maseembe**, Shalom for Africa, Kampala, Uganda  
*Peace Building and African Ownership*

h 17.05-17.25

**Anthony Abayomi Adebayo**, Department of Sociology, Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Nigeria  
*Governance, Poverty in Africa and Africa-Europe Migration Issues: Towards a Coordinated Europe Response for an Integral Global Development*

h 17.25-17.55

**Mônica Mesquita and Lia Vasconcelos**, MARE Centre, Lisbon, Portugal

*Alternatives to the Socioeconomic-Environmental Sustainability: The Body of Migrant in the Neo-Extractivist World*

**h 18.00-18.30 Discussion**

**January 20, 2017**

**h 9.30-11.00 Panel 5**

**BODIES ON THE MOVE, SYMBOLS AND RITUALS. CONSTRUCTING HERITAGE**

Chair: **Bianca Maria Pirani**, Sapienza Univ. Rome, ISARC54 Program Coordinator and President

h 9.30-9.40 *Introduction*

h 9.40-10.00

**Hasan Saliou**, Faculty of Mass Communication, AAB College, Pristina, Kosovo

*The Image of the Host Country in the Memory of Migrant*

h 10.00-10.20 **Olga Borodkina**, Saint Petersburg University, Russia

*Social Integration of Chinese Migrants in Russia: Problems and Prospects*

h 10.20-10.40 **Fareeda Griffith**, Denison University, USA

*Knowledge, Access and Practice. An Examination of the Social Determinants of Health Disparities among Somali Women*

h 10.40-11.00

**Francesca Conti**, The American University of Rome, Italy

*New Italians Hit the Arena: Sport, National Identities and Social Change*

**h. 11.15-12.45 Panel 6**

**MOVING AND GETTING ON. DEVELOPING THE CAPABILITIES OF PEOPLE AND CHANGE**

Chair: **Javier Fiz Perez**, European University of Rome, Italy

h 11.15-11.25 *Introduction*

11.25-11.55

**Caroline Schöpf**, Joint Research Group on Migration, China, Baptist University, Hong Kong, and Max Weber Foundation, Germany

*Cultural Difference or Cultural Inequality? An Extended Case Study of the Experience of "Cultural Difference" between Highly Skilled South Asian and White Sojourners in Hong Kong*

h 11.55-12.15

**Alena Perizkova**, Department of Sociology, University of West Bohemia, Pilsen, Czech Republic  
*Migrant Pregnant Body. Risk as Visible Issue*

h 12.15-12.35

**Jiyeon Lee and Grace H. Chung**, Seoul National University, South Korea

*Till the Birth of One Skilled Marriage Migrant Woman Manager in South Korea: A Case Study*

h 12.35-12.55

**Monika Kochowicz**, Norwegian Social Research, Oslo, and Akershus University College, Norway

*Living in Diversity. Polish Migrant Teenagers Experiences of Intercultural Education in Oslo*

**h 15.00-16.30 Panel 7**

**ENCOUNTERING DIFFERENCES AND EXPRESSING MERGED IDENTITIES:  
WHAT TO DO?**

**Chair: Elkhonon Goldberg**, New York University School for Medicine, USA

h 15.00-15.10 *Introduction*

h 15.10-15.30

**Uma Sarmistha**, University of Florida, USA

*Indian IT Workers in USA and Transnational Practices and their Impact on Job Satisfaction and General Life*

h 15.30-15.50

**Lihong Huang**, Norwegian Social Research, Oslo, and Akershus University College, Norway,  
**Ewa Krzaklewska**, Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland, and **Paula Pustulka**, Jagiellonian  
University, Krakow, Poland

*Migration Towards Gender Equality. Comparing attitudes and family practice*

h 15.50-16.10

**Nadjhia Normil-Skakavac**, Virginia State University, Department of Sociology and Criminal  
Justice, Petersburg

*Haitian Boat People and the Mexican Wetbacks: A Theoretical Perspective of Crimmigration  
Laws in the U.S.*

h 16.10-16.30

**Tseng Hsun-hui, Song Jin and Lu Chia-hung Ben**, Gender Studies Programme, The Chinese  
University of Hong Kong

*Rethinking Migrant Entrepreneurship. Migrant Women and Small Business in Neoliberal Taiwan*

**h 16.30-18.00 Final discussion**