

RC-31 Newsletter, Spring 2016

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From the President:

In anticipation of the Vienna Forum

by **Gustavo Verduzco**

The next Forum at Vienna will take place not far from the Balkans where important battles between the East and the West took place in earlier centuries, even at the gates of our host city in 1683. This time, however, many thousands of people mainly from a few countries in the East are seeking refuge in countries of the European Union, which is precisely a union of countries that stands as a model where one main purpose has been to avoid wars – but could we also add “to minimize conflicts between countries”?

In this sense a careful use of migration policies is at the centre of the problem as perhaps the only way to avoid more troubles. This is the context in which we will have our next Forum at Vienna.

Our Research Committee 31 will host 17 sessions and co-host 7 more with other RCs. The issues in the different sessions vary a lot, but three orientations could be emphasized: One has to do with conflict and integration from various newer perspectives focusing on contributions to art and culture as well as on migrants' well-being and suffering. A second orientation seeks newer information on present flows of migration in general but more specifically in Asia, a continent of which we have had less knowledge. A third one

has to do with newer methodological questions about the future of migration research as well as about the insights coming from other disciplines; in particular, how can we make our visions of migration flows more interactive with other perspectives?

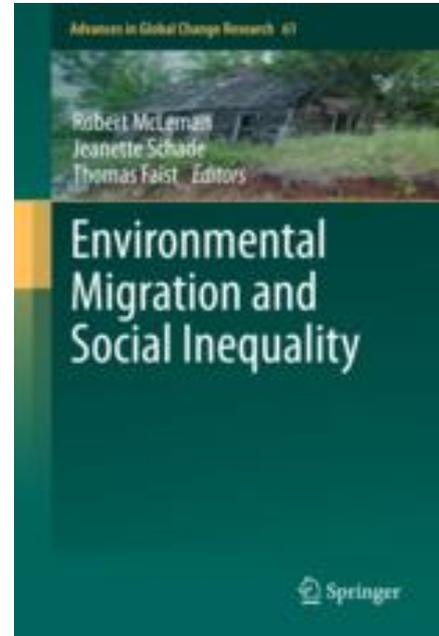
There is no doubt that our next Forum in Vienna will offer to all of us a great possibility for exchanging our visions and views about some of the common problems we face in our different national contexts.

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MEMBERS' NEW BOOK

Robert McLeman, **Jeanette Schade**, and **Thomas Faist**, (eds.) *Environmental Migration and Social Inequality*, Springer, 2016 ([link to publisher](#))

This book presents contributions from leading international scholars on how environmental migration is both a cause and an outcome of social and economic inequality. It describes recent theoretical, methodological, empirical, and legal developments in the dynamic field of environmental migration research, and includes original research on environmental migration in Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, China, Ghana, Haiti, Mexico, and Turkey. The authors consider the implications of sea level rise for small island states and discuss translocality, gender relations, social remittances, and other concepts important for understanding how vulnerability to environmental change leads to mobility, migration, and the creation of immobile, trapped populations. Reflecting leading-edge developments, this book appeals to advanced undergraduate and graduate students, researchers, and policymakers.



CALLS FOR PAPERS & PARTICIPATION

Kurdish Studies Summer School: 27-29th JUNE 2016

Kurdish Politics and Society: Contemporary and Historical Perspectives

Please join us at this three-day intensive summer school focusing on Kurdish identity, politics, society and diaspora.

This is the first-ever Kurdish Studies Summer School and will bring together scholars, postgraduate students, journalists, and community advocates.

Dates: Monday 27th June, Tuesday 28th June and Wednesday 29th June 2016

Place: University of Leicester, United Kingdom; **Registration Fees:** £300

Confirmed keynote lecturers and panellists include: Professor Christine Allison; Professor Hamit Bozarslan; Dr Necla Acik; Dr Kamran Matin; Dr Ipek Demir; Dr. Ulrike Flader

For more information and how to register please see:

<https://www2.le.ac.uk/departments/sociology/research/conferences-and-workshops/kurdish-studies-summer-school>



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Conferences associated with the project:

«MIGRATION BRIDGES IN EURASIA»

- 26-27 October 2016 International scientific-practical conference “Migration processes: problems of adaptation and integration of migrants” (Stavropol, Russian Federation)
- 31 October 2016 International scientific-practical conference “New trends and consequences of international migration in the context of the global economic crisis” (Moscow, Russian Federation)
- 2-4 November 2016 International scientific-practical conference “Migration between the Russian Federation and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam in the context of the new geopolitical realities and economic integration”, (Hanoi, Socialist Republic of Vietnam)
- 15-16 November 2016 International scientific-practical conference “The contribution of migration to the socio-economic and demographic development of the Republic of Belarus and the Russian Federation” (Minsk, Republic of Belarus)

The main objectives of the project and the conferences are: 1) to bring together researchers, experts and officials involved in the study and practice of migration management in Russia and foreign countries; 2) expert evaluation and implementation of effective approaches and practices of migration management in foreign countries in the migration policy of Russia and the partner countries; 3) the development of the international research network of experts in the field of migration studies; 4) the development of international research of young researchers of migration and enrichment of Russian and foreign experience in the field of research and regulation of migration; 5) formation of a positive image of Russia as a country regulating the migration on the basis of national legislation and international agreements.

Key issues proposed for discussion at the conference:

http://www.ryazantsev.org/Миграционные_мосты/

There are no organizational fees for taking part in the conference. By the beginning of the conference the collection of materials will be published. Materials for publication are accepted until **September 30, 2016 (inclusive)**. Each author receives a free copy of conference materials and program.

The organizers do not pay the travel and accommodation costs of participants.

Those wishing to participate in the conferences, please contact the staff of the Centre of Social Demography and Economic Sociology ISPR:

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Doctoral Program in Sociology and Social Research University of Trento

The doctoral programme in Sociology and Social Research (SRS) was established in 1981 with the aim of providing state-of-the-art research training and advanced professional skills in sociology and social research. It joined the School of Social Sciences in 2011.

The PhD programme provides a solid basis in the discipline, including a broad range of quantitative and qualitative methods, in an interdisciplinary research environment. Since its foundation the programme has placed special emphasis on theoretically driven empirical sociology. In particular the PhD programme educates professionals that are able to apply their knowledge in an interdisciplinary fashion in various areas covered by the department, such as: epistemology of the social science, sociological theory, social stratification and inequalities in relation to gender, education and cohort, comparative welfare systems and their evolution, social networks, social and political change, the sociology of labour markets and the evolution of employment systems in comparative perspective, sociology of migration, sociology and demographics of the family, analysis of value change and of political behavior, sociology of organizations.

The goal of the doctoral programme is to qualify its alumni for high level positions in academia, as well as in the public and private sector.

The PhD programme offers students a stimulating international research environment and important opportunities, not least through an international network of high quality. Beyond a wider range of teaching and research opportunities, SRS offers an intensive calendar of seminars and conferences including distinguished scholars from an international context.

The official languages of the doctoral programme are English and Italian and it has a duration of three years.

More information: <http://web.unitn.it/en/drss-srs/16300/sociology-and-social-research>

RECENT ARTICLES/CHAPTERS

Paolo Boccagni

2016. From the multi-sited to the in-between: Ethnography as a way of delving into migrants' transnational relationships, *International Journal of Social Research Methodology*, 19(1): 1-16 ([link](#))

2016. Stigmatized, Segregated, Essential: The Position of Immigrant Live-In Care Workers Vis-à-Vis Formal Social Work Provision in Italy, in R. Furman et al. (eds.), *The immigrant other: Lived experiences in a transnational world*, New York: Columbia University Press, pp. 194-208 ([link](#))

2015. The difference diversity makes: A Principle, a Lens, an Empirical Attribute for Majority-Minority Relations, in T. Matejskova, M. Antonsich (eds.), *Governing through diversity: Migration societies in post-multiculturalist times*, Basingstoke: Palgrave ([link](#))

Martijn Hendriks and David Bartram

2016. Macro-conditions and immigrants' happiness: Is moving to a wealthy country all that matters? *Social Science Research*, 56: 90-107 ([link](#))

M. S. Jayakumar

2016. Socio economic and psychological dimensions of migration-induced exclusion of the elderly in Kerala, India: an empirical analysis, *International Journal of Migration, Health and Social Care*, 12:1: 51-65 (with Damodaran Rajasenan & Bijith George Abraham; [link](#))

Andreas Pöllmann

2016. Habitus, Reflexivity, and the Realization of Intercultural Capital: The (Unfulfilled) Potential of Intercultural Education, *Cogent Social Sciences*, 2(1): 1-12 ([link](#))

Ludger Pries

2015. Boundaries of belonging, migration and types of social spaces. In: Lehmkuhl, Ursula/ Lüsebrink, Hans-Jürgen/ McFalls, Laurence (eds.), *Of 'Contact Zones' and 'Liminal Spaces': Mapping the Everyday Life of Cultural Translation*. Münster: Waxmann, S. 29-48

2015. Circular migration as (new) strategy in migration policy? Lessons from historical and sociological migration research. In: Nadler, Robert/Kovács, Zoltán/Glorius, Birgit/Lang, Thilo (eds.), *Return Migration and Regional Development in Europe*. Mobility against the Stream. Palgrave/Macmillan, pp. 9-29

Didier Ruedin

2016. Ethnic discrimination in hiring decisions: A meta-analysis of correspondence tests 1990–2015, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*. Forthcoming (with Eva Zschirnt) ([link](#))

2016. A Foreigner Who Doesn't Steal My Job: The Role of Unemployment Risk and Values in Attitudes towards Equal Opportunities. *International Migration Review*, forthcoming (with Marco Pecoraro) ([link](#))

2015. Increasing validity by recombining existing indices: MIPEX as a measure of citizenship models. *Social Science Quarterly* 96(2): 629-638 ([link](#))

Christian Von Mol

2016. Relationship satisfaction of European binational couples in the Netherlands, *International Journal of Intercultural Relations*, 50, 50-59. (with H. A. G. de Valk; [link](#))

2016. Destination cities of European exchange students, *Geografisk Tidsskrift-Danish Journal of Geography* (with P. Ekamper; [link](#)).

2016. Migration and Immigrants in Europe: A Historical and Demographic Perspective. In: Garcés-Masareñas, B. & Penninx, R. (eds.) *Integration Processes and Policies in Europe. Contexts, Levels and Actors*. Dordrecht: Springer, pp. 31-55 (with H. de Valk; [link](#)).

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SUBMIT YOUR ANNOUNCEMENTS!

(Not only announcements – there is also scope for longer pieces in the form of op-eds, etc.)

Send submissions for the next issue to David Bartram, d.bartram@le.ac.uk