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“MIGRATION BETWEEN AFRICA AND EUROPE: KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION, ATTITUDES, AND GOVERNANCE”, MIGRATION POLICY CENTRE ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2019

Scientific Organisers: **Andrew Geddes** and **Martin Ruhs** | Migration Policy Centre (MPC), Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSCAS), European University Institute (EUI)

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23 - 24 MAY 2019

■ INTRODUCTION

The Migration Policy Centre (MPC) conducts advanced research on the transnational governance of international migration, asylum and mobility. It aims to provide new ideas, rigorous evidence and critical thinking to inform major European and global policy debates. To help achieve these goals, the MPC's Annual Conference brings together academics, policy-makers and practitioners to discuss new ideas and the latest research evidence on some of the most important migration policy questions.

The 2019 conference will focus on the relationships between knowledge production, attitudes and governance on migration between Africa and Europe. These relationships are *complex, crucial, troubled* and *contested*. *Complex*, because of the diversity of migration, links to other key policy challenges and to the involvement of a multitude of public and private actors organised across scales and levels of governance. *Crucial*, because there is a widespread view that policies need to be evidence-based and able to command broad public support. *Troubled*, because there can be significant gaps between research, policy-making and public debate that relate not only to the ways in which knowledge is produced but from gaps between the worlds of research and policy. *Contested*, because the perspectives held by researchers, those held by decision-makers and views held by the wider public can differ greatly. This conference aims to understand more about these gaps and also to think about whether and how they can be bridged. It addresses three broad questions: what is the use of research in public debates and policy-making on migration between Africa and Europe? Why are there such large gaps between migration debates and migration realities, and how can these gaps be reduced? To do so, the conference makes connections between knowledge production, attitudes and governance. It will achieve this by exploring key themes, including: migration, foreign aid and development; public attitudes to and governance of migration; regional cooperation; the role of cities and the private sector; border security, trafficking and smuggling; and, the effects of environmental and climate change.



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■ PROGRAMME

23 MAY

- 8.30 - 9.00 *Registration and coffee*
- 09.00 - 09.15 **Welcome**
Andrew Geddes | Chair in Migration Studies and Director, MPC, RSCAS, EUI
- 09.15 - 10.30 **Dialogue on the Global Compact**
Keynote speech: Ambassador Ajay Bramdeo | Permanent Representative of the African Union to the United Nations Office and other International Organisations
Discussion
Chair: Martin Ruhs | Chair in Migration Studies and Deputy Director, MPC, RSCAS, EUI
The role of data in the Global Compact for Migration
Princelle Dasappa-Venketsamy | Deputy-Director, Demographic Analysis Statistics, South Africa
Reflections on the Global Compact on Migration in global governance evolutions
Marie McAuliffe | Head, Migration Policy Research Division, International Organization for Migration (IOM)
European positions towards the Global Compact on Migration
Rainer Münz | Adviser on Migration and Demography to the European Political Strategy Centre, European Commission
- 10.30 - 11.00 *Coffee break*
- 11.00 - 12.30 **Migration, foreign aid and development**
Chair: Pawel Kaczmarczyk | Director, Centre of Migration Research, University of Warsaw
The effect of development interventions on migration decisions
Melissa Siegel | Professor of Migration Studies and Head of Migration Studies, Maastricht University and UNU-MERIT
International student flows from developing countries: do donors have an impact?
Mauro Lanati | Research Fellow, MPC, RSCAS, EUI
The case for remittance match-funding and structured diaspora investment
Gibril Faal | Professor in Practice, London School of Economics / GK Partners
Architectures of fear and aspiration: migration and visibility
Naluwembe Binaisa | Research Associate, University College London
- 12.30 - 14.00 *Lunch break*
- 14.00 - 15.30 **Politics and governance**
Chair: Laura Corrado | Head of Unit, Legal Migration and Integration, Directorate-General for Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission, European Commission

Navigating between social science research and policymaking recommendations

James Dennison | Research Fellow, MPC, RSCAS, EUI

Lenka Dražanová | Research Associate, MPC, RSCAS, EUI

Issues, actors and policy in Migration Governance

Ibrahim Awad | Professor of Practice, Director of the Department of Public Policy and Administration, The American University in Cairo

The evolution of Migration Governance in the Mediterranean

Tobias Metzner | Regional Portfolio Manager for the Mediterranean, International Center for Migration Policy Development, ICMPD

Innovative approaches to managing temporary and permanent labour migration : implications for Europe

Jean-Christophe Dumont | Head of the International Migration Division, Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD

15.30 - 16.00

Coffee break

16.00 - 17.00

Book Launch and Conversation

“Bridging the Gaps: Linking Research to Public Debates and Policy Making on Migration and Integration”, Edited by Martin Ruhs, Kristof Tamas, and Joakim Palme

Martin Ruhs | Chair in Migration Studies and Deputy Director, MPC, RSCAS, EUI

Joakim Palme | Professor, Department of Political Science, Uppsala University

Melissa Siegel | Professor of Migration Studies and Head of Migration Studies, Maastricht University and UNU-MERIT

Mehari Taddele Maru | RSCAS Fellow, EUI

Luca Lixi | Policy Officer, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission

24 MAY

09.00 - 09.15

Welcome

Brigid Laffan | Director of the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies

09.15 - 10.30

Patterns of Regional Cooperation in Africa

Chair: Leiza Brumat | Research Fellow, MPC, RSCAS, EUI

Migration diplomacy

Mehari Taddele Maru | RSCAS Fellow, EUI

Regional Cooperation: what role for the African Union?

Philip Bob Jusu | Socio-Economic Officer, African Union Commission (Permanent Mission to the European Union)

Regional Cooperation on migration in Africa: comparing the ECOWAS and IGAD sub-regions

Eva Dick | Senior Researcher, German Development Institute

EU support for intra-African legal migration and remittance flows

Heliodoro Temprano Arroyo | Adviser, International Economic Relations and Global Governance, European Commission

- 10.30 - 11.00 *Coffee break*
- 11.00 - 12.30 **Key contemporary challenges**
Chair: Tamanah Appadu | Permanent Secretary, Prime Minister's Office, Republic of Mauritius
Migrant smuggling dynamics in the Tunisian context: transformation or continuity
Gabriella Sanchez | Research Fellow, MPC, RSCAS, EUI
Addressing the drivers of migration from Africa to Europe
Joseph Teye | Professor, Director, Centre for Migration Studies, University of Ghana
Will more legal employment opportunities for African citizens in Europe reduce irregular migration?
Matthias Lücke | Senior Researcher and Member of the Management Board, Kiel Institute for the World Economy
Cross-border mobility in Africa: insights from the Global Transnational Mobility Dataset
Ettore Recchi | Part-time Professor, MPC, RSCAS, EUI, Director of the MA and PhD program in Sociology, Sciences Po
Michele Vespe | Project Manager, Joint Research Centre, European Commission
- 12.30 - 14.00 *Lunch break*
- 14.00 - 15.00 **New actors in migration governance?**
Chair: Leila Hadj Abdou | Research Fellow, MPC, RSCAS, EUI
Cities of migration
Linda Oucho | Executive Director of Research and Data Hub, African Migration and Development Policy Centre, Kenya, via Skype
Migration Governance in the EU and Africa: new understandings and the role of research
Luca Lixi | Policy Officer, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission
- 15.00 - 15.15 **Closing remarks**
Martin Ruhs | Chair in Migration Studies and Deputy Director, MPC, RSCAS, EUI

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