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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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## ■ DRAFT PROGRAMME

### 23 MAY

- 8.30 - 9.00 *Registration and coffee*
- 9.00 - 9.15 **Welcome**  
**Andrew Geddes** | Chair in Migration Studies and Director, MPC, RSCAS, EUI
- 9.15 - 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 Organizations  
**Discussion**  
**Chair: Martin Ruhs** | Chair in Migration Studies and Deputy Director, MPC, RSCAS, EUI  
**Princelle Dasappa-Venketsamy, tbc** | Co-Chair of the UN Expert Group on Migration Statistics  
**Marie McAuliffe** | Head, Migration Policy Research Division, International Organization for Migration (IOM)  
**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  
**Melissa Siegel** | Professor of Migration Studies and Head of Migration Studies, Maastricht University and UNU-MERIT  
**Mauro Lanati** | Research Fellow, MPC, RSCAS, EUI  
**Gibril Faal** | Migration CSO practitioner, University College London  
**Naluwembe Binaisa** | Post-doc Researcher, 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  
**James Dennison** | Research Fellow, MPC, RSCAS, EUI  
**Lenka Dražanová** | Research Associate, MPC, RSCAS, EUI  
**Tobias Metzner** | Regional Portfolio Manager for the Mediterranean, International Center for Migration Policy Development, ICMPD  
**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”

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

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

**Elizabeth Collett**, tbc | Special Advisor to Director General of International Organisation for Migration (IOM)

**Mehari Taddele Maru** | RSCAS Fellow, EUI

## **24 MAY**

9.00 - 10.30

### **Regional Cooperation**

**Chair: Anna Schmidt** | Policy Officer, Migration and Forced Displacement, Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission

**Mehari Taddele Maru** | RSCAS Fellow, EUI

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

**Eva Dick** | Senior Researcher, German Development Institute

**Tamanah Appadu** | Permanent Secretary, Prime Minister’s Office, Republic of Mauritius

10.30 - 11.00

*Coffee break*

11.00 - 12.30

### **Key Contemporary Challenges**

**Gabriella Sanchez** | Research Fellow, MPC, RSCAS, EUI

**Joseph Teye** | Associate Professor, Director, Centre for Migration Studies, University of Ghana

**Matthias Lücke** | Senior Researcher and Member of the Management Board, Kiel Institute for the World Economy

**Ettore Recchi** | Part-time Professor, MPC, RSCAS, EUI and 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 - 15.15

### **New Actors in Migration Governance?**

**Chair: Leila Hadj Abdou** | Research Fellow, MPC, RSCAS, EUI

**Linda Oucho** | Director of Research and Data Hub, African Migration and Development Policy Centre, Kenya

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

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**Closing remarks**

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