The mission of the Migration Policy Centre at the European University Institute (EUI) is to conduct advanced research on the transnational governance of international migration, asylum and mobility. It provides new ideas, rigorous evidence and critical thinking to inform major European and global policy debates.

Research and Policy Dialogue

The Migration Policy Centre (MPC) conducts theoretical and empirical research that draws on a range of disciplines and methods, linking across different:

- **Types of Migration**
- **Regions**
- **Levels of governance**
- **Policy issues**

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 in Europe and beyond.

Key Recent Publications

- **The Dynamics of Regional Migration Governance** (Book, Edward Elgar Publishing, forthcoming) GEDDES, A., VERA ESPINOZA, M., HADJ-ABDOU, L., BRUMAT, L.


- **The Routledge handbook of the governance of migration and diversity in cities** (Book, Routledge, 2019) CAPONIO, T., SCHOLTEN, P., ZAPATA-BARRERO, R.

- **Migrant Smuggling as a Collective Strategy and Insurance Policy: Views from the Margins** (Special Issue of the Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, 2018) ACHILLI, L., SANCHEZ, G., HANG, S.

Executive Training

**Learning and Knowledge Sharing**

- Specific executive training sessions
- Annual multi-disciplinary Summer School programme (launched in 2005)
- In collaboration with the EUI School of Transnational Governance

**Expertise from**

- MPC members
- Invited academics
- Officials of EU institutions and international organisations
- Experts from NGOs
- and the private sector

**Network**

- More than 400 alumni worldwide
- Researchers
- Policy officials
- Practitioners dealing with migration issues.
Current Projects

Observatory of Public Attitudes to Migration - OPAM
_Funding:_ MPC
_Description:_ OPAM provides comprehensive, global analyses of the connection between the salience of migration issues, public attitudes and electoral behaviours across the Euro-Mediterranean region.

Migration Smuggling Observatory – MSO
_Funding:_ MPC
_Description:_ The Migration Smuggling Observatory identifies, collects and organizes on-the-ground empirical data and research on migrants' mobility practices, including those labelled as illicit or criminal.

Mercator Dialogue on Asylum and Migration - MEDAM
_Research Consortium:_ Kiel Institute for the World Economy (leader), Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS), MPC (EUI).
_Funding:_ Stiftung Mercator
_Description:_ The MEDAM project conducts new research to inform EU debates about asylum and migration policies, and to understand better the relationship between migration and development.

Prospects for International Migration Governance – MIGPROSP
_Funding:_ European Research Council Advanced Grant
_Description:_ Prospects for international Migration Governance (MIGPROSP) is a five-year European Research Council-funded research project that analyses the drivers of migration governance.

Global Mobilities Project – GMP
_Funding:_ MPC
_Description:_ The GMP creates and analyses a comprehensive database covering the demographic, economic, sociological and legal-political dimensions of human mobility. The database will be a valuable, open source for researchers, the informed public and for policy-makers, providing fact-based responses to questions about the causes and the consequences of human mobilities.

Un-Owned Personal Data
_Funding:_ EUI
_Description:_ The project investigates whether advanced technologies, inherent in interoperable information systems in the Area of Freedom Security and Justice (AFSJ), undermine the fundamental rights of third-country nationals, including asylum seekers.

Bridging the Gaps
_Funding:_ MPC
_Description:_ The project analyses the links between research, public debates, and policy-makers on migration in high-and lower-income countries, with a special focus on Africa and Asia.

Migration Policy in Multilevel Political Settings, City network in Europe and North America – MInMUS
_Funding:_ Marie Curie Fellowship
_Description:_ MInMUS investigates why, how and with what effects City Networks (CNs henceforth) voluntarily mobilise to enhance cities' capacity to take part in complex multilevel governance processes of policymaking.

Europe's External Action and the Dual Challenges of Limited Statehood and Contested Orders – EU-LISTCO
_Funding:_ H2020 DG Research & Innovation
_Description:_ EU-LISTCO explores the challenges posed to European foreign policy by risks connected to areas of limited statehood and contested orders.

Role of European Mobility and its Impacts in Narratives, Debates and EU Reforms – REMINDER
_Funding:_ H2020 – EC Research Executive Agency
_Description:_ REMINDER uses a multidisciplinary approach to advance our understanding of the determinants, effects and regulation of “free movement” in the European Union. It aims to generate a deeper understanding of how countries’ institutional and policy environments impact on intra-EU mobility and of how political and media narratives about intra-EU mobility are formed.

Current European and Cross-National Comparative Research and Research Actions on Migration – CROSS-MIGRATION
_Funding:_ H2020 – EC DG Research & Innovation
_Description:_ The project brings together 16 leading research institutions, networks and policy institutes throughout Europe to create a central migration hub. It aims to accumulate and consolidate past, present and future migration research through providing an extensive overview of migration drivers, infrastructures, flow and policies.

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