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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

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Key Recent Publications

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

Bridging the Gaps: Linking Research to Public Debates and Policy Making on Migration and Integration (Book, Oxford, 2019) RUHS, M., TAMAS, K., PALME, J.

Policing Humanitarianism EU Policies against Human Smuggling and their Impact on Civil Society (Book, Hart Publishing, 2019) CARRERA, S., MITSILEGAS, V., ALLSOPP, J., and VOSYLIUTE, 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.

Timeline

- June 2012 Establishment of the MPC
- April 2016 The MPC convenes the 1st international workshop on human smuggling
- September 2017 The MPC launches an Observatory of Public Attitudes to Migration
- February 2018 The MPC kicks-off the Global Mobilities project
- October 2018 The MPC organises an international conference on migration governance in Buenos Aires
- April 2019 The MPC starts a series of executive trainings with the School of Transnational Governance

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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