

Reshaping Europe: Migration and Its Contexts

Austro-Finnish Seminar

Finland, Austria and other affluent EU-countries are increasingly dependent on foreign labour. In Finland, immigration is a new phenomenon, whereas Austria, located in the central Europe, has a long history of immigration. How have these two rather small EU-countries, as well as migrants themselves, dealt with this phenomenon that is reshaping Europe? How have the policy makers, social and business sectors, media and citizens addressed migration? In this comparative seminar, researchers from Austria and Finland discuss this hot issue from many different disciplinary and thematic perspectives.

Date: 4-5 September 2008
Place: Academy of Finland, Main auditorium
Organisers: Academy of Finland/Petteri Pietikäinen
Austrian Federal Ministry for Science and Research/Martina Hartl
On-line registration: <http://www.academyevents.fi> (code MIGRATION2008)

Programme

4 September 2008

9:00 – 09:30 Registration and coffee

09:30 Welcome / Petteri Pietikäinen & Martina Hartl

09:40 Johanna Suurpää: *Finnish Immigration Policy and the Promotion of Equality*

10:15 **Memories and Realities of Migration**

- Kaisa Kauppinen: *Finnish Diversity Barometer*

- Peter Kraus: *The Politics of Complex Diversity. Finland in the European Context*
- Christiane Hintermann: *Migration and Memory: Presentation of a Young Research Field and of Selected Findings in the Austrian Context*

11:30 Coffee break

11:45 **Integration and Participation I**

- Herbert Langthaler & Karin Sohler: *Participation and Representation of Migrants and Asylum-seekers within the EU*
- Rossalina Latcheva & Barbara Herzog-Punzenberger: *Social Integration of Migrants in a Long-term Perspective*
- Sanna Saksela-Bergholm: *The Role of Immigrant Associations in Finland*

13:00 Lunch

13:45 **Integration and Participation II**

- Ursula Karl-Trummer: *Health Care in NowHereland – Improving Services for Undocumented Migrants in the EU*
- Karmela Liebkind: *Integration, Prejudice and Identity*
- Marjukka Weide: *Finnish Integration Policy and Political Participation of Immigrants*
- Elli Heikkilä: *Integration of Immigrants in the Finnish Labour Markets*

15:25 Coffee break

15:40 **Labour Market**

- Manfred Krenn: *Undocumented Worker Transitions: Compiling Evidence Concerning the Boundaries and Processes of Change in the Status of Work and Undocumented Workers in Europe (UWT)*
- Akhlaq Ahmad: *The Economic Integration of Immigrants: A Need to Consider the Sociocultural Dimension of the Labour Market?*
- Ulla Partanen & Hilikka Vihinen: *Dynamics of Migrant Labour in Rural Areas*



Short break (5-10 mins)

- Rolle Alho: *Finnish Trade Union Responses to Labour Migration*
- Markus Himanen & Jukka Könönen: *Immigrants and Precarious Labour Markets in Helsinki*

18:00 End of the first day

19:00 Seminar dinner cruise onboard Royal-Line (departing at Kauppatori Market Square)

5 September 2008

(9:15- Coffee)

09:30 **Family, Health and Well-being**

- Barbara Bergbom: *Immigrants in Finnish Workplaces - Integration and Well-being*
- Teppo Kröger: *Immigrant Families and the Organisation of Care*
- Albert Kraler: *"Doing Family". Family Strategies of Migrant Families and Bi-national Couples in the Context of State Regulations, External Expectations, Own Conceptions of a "Good Family Life" and Labour Market Constraints*

10:45 Coffee break

11:00 **Media and Images of Migration**

- Karina Horsti: *Undocumented Migrants and Asylum Seekers in the News: Illegals, Victims and Few Heroes*
- Minna Aslama: *From Theories to Practices: Collaborative Media Research Projects in the Service of Migrant Communities, Case USA*
- Ullamaija Kivikuru: *Winds of Change? Finnish Media Coverage of Immigrants*

12:15 Lunch

13:00 Radha Hegde: *Media, Migration and the Politics of Belonging*

13:30 Final discussion on migration and the research on migration

ca. 14:00 End of the seminar



Speakers:

- Akhlaq Ahmad (University of Helsinki)
- Rolle Alho (University of Helsinki)
- Minna Aslama (University of Helsinki, Power-programme / SSRC, New York)
- Barbara Bergbom (Finnish Institute of Occupational Health, Helsinki)
- Radha Hegde (New York University)
- Elli Heikkilä (Institute of Migration)
- Barbara Herzog-Punzenberger (Austrian Academy of Sciences)
- Markus Himanen (University of Helsinki)
- Christiane Hintermann (Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for European History and Public Spheres)
- Karina Horsti (University of Helsinki)
- Ursula Karl-Trummer (Donau Universität Krems)
- Kaisa Kauppinen (Finnish Institute of Occupational Health, WORK-programme)
- Ullamaija Kivikuru (University of Helsinki, Power-programme)
- Albert Kraler (International Centre for Migration Policy Development)
- Peter Kraus (University of Helsinki, Power-programme)
- Manfred Krenn (Working Life Research Centre)
- Teppo Kröger (University of Jyväskylä, WORK-programme)
- Jukka Könönen (University of Helsinki)
- Herbert Langthaler (Asylkoordination Austria, NGO)
- Rossalina Latcheva (Institute for Advanced Studies)
- Karmela Liebkind (University of Helsinki)
- Ulla Partanen (MTT Economic Research)
- Sanna Saksela-Bergholm (University of Helsinki, Power-programme)
- Karin Sohler (European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research)
- Johanna Suurpää (Ombudsman for the Minorities)
- Hilikka Vihinen (MTT Economic Research)
- Marjukka Weide (University of Helsinki)

