



ERSTE Stiftung

Migration Research Center at Koç University & ERSTE Foundation*
MiReKoc International Summer School 2015
Diasporas and Transnational Communities
29 June- 10 July 2015

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Sunday, 28 June 2015

Arrival to Koç University, Sarıyer

18:00-21:00 Welcome Reception at Koç University

Monday, 29 June 2015

09:00-09:30: Breakfast at (the entrance of) Room CASE 124, Koç University

09:30-10:30 Welcoming Remarks by **Ahmet İçduygu**, Koç University
Opening Speech by **Rainer Münz**, ERSTE Foundation & Hamburg Institute
of International Economics
Orientation by **İlke Şanlıer Yüksel**, Koç University

10:30- 11:45 Diaspora Formation and Diaspora Engagement: Concepts and Theories,
Nicholas Van Hear, COMPAS, University of Oxford

11:45-12:00 Coffee Break

12:00-13:15 Discussion session led by Nicholas Van Hear

13:15-14:30 Lunch, Koç University Cafeteria

14:30-15:00 Koç University Orientation

15:00-16:15 Diasporas and Homeland Politics, **Michael Collyer**, University of Sussex

16:15-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-17:45 Discussion session led by Michael Collyer

19:00-22:00 Welcome Dinner

Tuesday, 30 June 2015

09:00-09:30 Breakfast at (the entrance of) Room CASE 124, Koç University

09:30-10:00 Remarks by **Klaus Woelfer**, Austrian Ambassador to Turkey

10:00-11:15 From a Returning Diaspora to an Immigrant Society: Old and New
Immigration to Israel, **Moshe Semyonov**, Tel Aviv University

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- 11:15-11:30 Coffee Break
- 11:30-12:45 Discussion session led by Moshe Semyonov
- 12:45-14:30 Lunch: Koç University Cafeteria
- 14:30-15:45 Mapping Social Relations, **Nishat Awan**, Sheffield University
- 15:45-16:00 Coffee Break
- 16:00-17:15 Discussion session led by Nishat Awan

Wednesday, 1 July 2015

- 09:00-09:30 Breakfast at (the entrance of) Room CASE 124, Koç University
- 09:30-10:45 The Armenian Diaspora, **Sossie Kasbarian**, Lancaster University
- 10:45-11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00-12:15 Discussion session led by Sossie Kasbarian
- 12:15-14:00 Lunch: Koç University Cafeteria
- 14:00-15:30 Thematic Presentations: Economy and Diaspora

Presenters:

- **Dr. Laura Hossu & Daniela Ortner**, Research Associate, “To Invest or not? Cultural influences on entrepreneurial intentions of Hungarian, Polish and Romanian Diasporas from Austria”, Institute for Promoting Democracy, Oradea
- **Dr. Natalia Cojocar**, Associate Professor & **Olga Cociojaru**, “From clandestine migrants to European citizens, from ‘unofficial’ Diaspora: The evolution of the legal status of Moldovan labourers in Italy”, State University of Moldova, Faculty of Psychology and Education Sciences, Department of Applied Psychology, Chisinau
- **Melinda Szabó**, PhD Candidate, “The Effects of Trading Diasporas on Urban Transformation in CEE: a case study of Chinese entrepreneurs in Budapest”, Central European University, Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology, Budapest

- 15:30-15:45 Coffee Break
- 15:45-17:00 Guided Discussions on the day’s theme

Thursday, 2 July 2015

- 09:00-09:30 Breakfast at (the entrance of) Room CASE 124, Koç University
- 09:30-10:45 The Circassian Diaspora, **Ayhan Kaya**, Bilgi University
- 10:45-11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00-12:15 Discussion session led by Ayhan Kaya
- 12:15-14:00 Lunch: Koç University Cafeteria
- 14:00-15:30 Thematic Presentations: Urban and Rural Spaces and Diaspora

Presenters:

- **Florin Faje**, Researcher, “Asphalt Connections: Road infrastructure developments and Diasporas in and around Romania”, Research Center on Inter-Ethnic Relations, Cluj
- **Dr. Jakub Grygar**, “Vietnamese Diaspora in Prague: food, consumption, and socio-material proximity in the making of cosmopolitan city”, The Institute of Ethnology, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, Department of Ethnic Studies, Prague
- **Annemarie Sorescu-Marinković**, Research Fellow, “Contemporary Romanian labour migration to Serbia-towards a new paradigm of Diaspora”, Institute for Balkan Studies, Belgrade

15:30-15:45 Coffee Break

15:45-17:00 Guided Discussions on the day’s theme

17:00-20:00 Meeting with the representatives of migrant communities in an early dinner at Nişantaşı

Friday, 3 July 2015

09:00-09:30 Breakfast at (the entrance of) Room CASE 124, Koç University

09:30-10:45 European Muslims: Transnational Solidarity and Belonging, **Riva Kastoryano**, Sciences Po’, CERI - CNRS

10:45-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-12:15 Discussion session led by Riva Kastoryano

12:15-14:00 Lunch: Koç University Cafeteria

14:00-15:30 Thematic Presentations: Mobilization and Diaspora Politics

Presenters:

- **Kornel Janos Laszlo**, PhD Candidate & **Marta Rado**, “Bad neighbours? Roma Diaspora and Radical Right Electoral Results in Central and Eastern Europe”, King’s College London, Faculty of Social Science
- **Nataliia Gladkova**, PhD Candidate, “Mapping political mobilization of Ukrainian Diaspora networks: A case study of the Czech Republic”, Maastricht University, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
- **Peter Kankonde-Bukasa**, Joint PhD Candidate & Research Fellow, “The Politics of Violent Transnational Mobilisation in (DR)Congolese Diaspora”, University of Göttingen & Max Planck Institute
- **Hamazasp Danielyan**, Assistant Professor, “The evolution of Political mobilization in the Armenian Diaspora. From stateless to state-lead Diaspora?”, Yerevan State University

15:30-15:45 Coffee Break

15:45-17:00 Guided Discussions on the day’s theme

Saturday, 4 July 2015

Fieldtrip to Polonezköy

Monday, 6 July 2015

09:00-09:30 Breakfast at (the entrance of) Room CASE 124, Koç University

- 09:30-10:45 Migration and Diaspora in the Post-Soviet Space, **Rainer Münz**, ERSTE Foundation & Hamburg Institute of International Economics
- 10:45-11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00-12:15 Discussion session led by Rainer Münz
- 12:15-14:00 Lunch: Koç University Cafeteria
- 14:00-15:30 Thematic Presentations: Nation States and Diaspora
- Presenters:
- **Dr. Szabolcs Pogonyi**, “Engaging the Transnation. Bottom-up perspectives on Hungarian Diaspora Politics”, Central European University, Nationalism Studies Program, Head of Department, Budapest
 - **Dr. Svetluša Surova**, Lecturer, “Slovak diaspora policies as a challenging factor for the nation state”, Comenius University, Faculty of Philosophy, Department of Political Science, Bratislava
 - **Boriša Mraović**, Independent Researcher, “Diasporas, nation-states and mainstream societies in Central and Eastern Europe”
 - **Dr. Kateryna Ivaschenko-Stadnik**, Research Fellow, “Too close or too far: Contemporary challenges and opportunities of the ‘Neighbouring Diasporas’”, Institute of Sociology, National Academy of Sciences, Social Research Methods, Kyiv
- 15:30-15:45 Coffee Break
- 15:45-17:00 Guided Discussions on the day’s theme

Tuesday, 7 July 2015

- 09:00-09:30 Breakfast at (the entrance of) Room CASE 124, Koç University
- 09:30-10:45 Interactive Session moderated by **Alina Serban** and **Camilo Antonio**
- 10:30-10:45 Coffee Break
- 11:00-12:15 Interactive Session moderated by **Alina Serban** and **Camilo Antonio**
- 12:15-14:00 Lunch: Koç University Cafeteria
- 14:00-15:30 Thematic Presentations: Roma Community
- Presenters:
- **Dr. Remus Gabriel Anghel**, Researcher, “Migration and social inequality: Changing social relations and patterns of inequality in Romania’s Roma ghettos”, Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities, Cluj Napoc
 - **Dr. Sorin Gog**, Lecturer, “ European Union and the ethno-political construction of Roma Diaspora: human rights, citizenship and social inclusion”, Babes-Bolyai University, Department of Sociology, Cluj-Napoca
 - **Timea Junghaus**, Junior Research Fellow, “ The epistemic context of Roma policy making in Europe”, Institute for Art History, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest
- 15:30-15:45 Coffee Break
- 15:45-17:00 Discussion session led by Alina Serban and Camilo Antonio

Wednesday, 8 July 2015

- 09:00-09:30 Breakfast at (the entrance of) Room CASE 124, Koç University
- 09:30-10:45 Turkey Related Transnational Communities, **Ahmet İçduygu**, Koç University
- 10:45-11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00-12:00 Discussion session led by **Ilke Şanler Yüksel** and **Damla Bayraktar**
- 12:00-13.30 Lunch: Koç University Cafeteria
- 13:30-14:00 N-either Refugees, N-or Guests Photoshow, **Georgiana Turculet**
- 14:00-15:30 Thematic Presentations: Diaspora Identity and Culture
- Presenters:
- **Dr. Irina Culic**, Professor, “From national minority to diaspora: Hungarians in Romania, 2000-2015”, Babes-Bolyai University, Department of Sociology, Cluj-Napoca
 - **Dr. Oana Negru-Subțirică**, Lecturer, “Identity development and positive adaptation in Diasporas”, Babes-Bolyai University, Department of Psychology, Cluj-Napoca
 - **Dr. Gabriela Goudenhooff**, Assistant Professor, “Going back home through one’s language? Romanian diaspora mediatic discourse in DACH”, University of Oradea, Department of Political Sciences and Communication, Oradea
 - **Jaafar Alloul**, Bi-doctoral PhD. Candidate, “A Social Anthropology of Alternative Mobilities to the Arab Gulf: Mapping Euro-Maghrebi Trajectories to/in the UAE & Qatar”, University of Leuven & University of Amsterdam
- 15:30-15:45 Coffee Break
- 15:45-17:00 Discussion session led by **Doğuş Şimşek** and **Agnese Lace**
- 20:00-21:30 Movie Night

Thursday, 9 July 2015

- 09:00-09:30 Breakfast at (the entrance of) Room CASE 124, Koç University
- 09:30-10:45 The ‘New’ Chinese Migration into Europe and Africa: Development and Discourses, **Ching Lin Pang**, KU Leuven University
- 10:45-11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00-12:15 Discussion session led by Ching Lin Pang
- 12:15-14.00 Lunch: Koç University Cafeteria
- 14:00-15:15 Indian Diaspora: General Overview and Recent Trends, **Şebnem Akçapar**, South Asian University
- 15:15-15:30 Coffee Break
- 15:30-16:45 Discussion session led by Şebnem Akçapar

Friday, 10 July 2015

- 09:00-09:30 Breakfast at (the entrance of) Room CASE 124, Koç University
- 09:30-10:45 A Critical Overview of Migration and Development in Latin America, **Raul Delgado Wise**, Universidad Autónoma de Zacatecas
- 10:45-11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00-12:15 Discussion session led by Raul Delgado Wise
- 12:15-14:00 Lunch: Koç University Cafeteria
- 14:00-15:00 Concluding remarks by Ahmet İçduygu
- 15:00-16:00 Concluding remarks by Rainer Münz

SIDE EVENTS

Get-Together Barbecue, 28 June 2015 @ 18:00

Venue: Terrace at the faculty housing

We'll gather for an informal barbecue at the faculty housing area located on the south of the campus. A nice terrace, at the upper floor of "pre-school", will host us. Shuttles will be provided and will depart from the fountain (campus map no 1.) at 18:00.

Welcome Dinner, 29 June 2015 @ 19:00

Venue: Alimento Restaurant

Address: Tarabya Mah., Sahil Yolu, Kefeliköy Cad., No:172, Tarabya

Welcome dinner will take place at a fish restaurant (<http://www.alimento.com.tr/>) on the Bosphorus. We'll use transfer to the restaurant and way back to the campus.

Dinner with the Representatives of Migrant Communities, 2 July 2015 @ 17:00

Venue: BPR Guest House

Address: Vali Konağı Cad. Işık Ap. No: 6 D.3, Nişantaşı

This special event is organised in order to meet with some member of different transnational communities in Turkey, including Circassians, Syrians, Palestinians and Polish among others. Shuttles will be provided and will depart from the fountain (campus map no 1.) at 17:00 to the metro station. We'll arrive to the venue by metro line. For those who might come by themselves, you should get off at Osmanbey metro station on the Haciosman-Yenikapı metroline.

Fieldtrip to Polonezköy, 4 July 2015 @ 09:00-16:00**Venue:** Polonezköy - Adampol

Polonezköy (meaning “the village of the Poles”), formerly known as Adampol is a small village at the Asian side of Istanbul, about 30 km (19 mi) away from the historic city center, within the boundaries of the Beykoz district. It was founded in 1842 by Polish settlers. It was founded by Adam Czartoryski (Chairman of National Uprising Government and the Leader of a Political Emigration Party) in 1842. Polish citizens (descendants of the founders of Adampol) often come back to Turkey in order to visit the settlement of their forefathers. Nowadays, there are about 1,000 people in Adampol and around 40 of them speak Polish fluently. There is a festival in Adampol (Polonezköy) every summer which enhances the cultural relationship between Adampol and Poland. Eventually Polonezköy became a tourist town and a popular weekend get-away in Istanbul. Ms. Paulina Dominik will accompany and guide us during our fieldtrip. We'll use transfer to the village and way back to the campus.

Boat Trip at Bosphorus, 5 July 2015 @ 10:00**Meeting point:** Kuruçeşme Piers

A summer day in Istanbul is unthinkable without a boat trip through the Bosphorus. Shuttles from Koç University to the pier will be provided.

Movie Night, 8 July 2015 @ 20:30**Venue:** Big Yellow Taxi - Benzin Café**Address:** Maden Mahallesi, Gülümser Sokak, No:1 Sarıyer

We will watch a movie on diaspora theme together. Benzin is at 10 minutes distance to Koç University and the transportation from KU campus will be organized.