

WORKSHOP

THE POLITICS OF UNCERTAINTY: PRODUCING, REINFORCING AND MEDIATING (LEGAL) UNCERTAINTY IN LOCAL REFUGEE RECEPTION

Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity
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Workshop organized in cooperation with the "Local refugee politics" working group
of the Netzwerk Flüchtlingsforschung

Wednesday, November 15

12:30-01:00 pm Registration and Coffee

01:00-01:30 pm Introduction

01:30-03:00 PM PANEL 1 - THE PRODUCTION OF UNCERTAINTY AT DIFFERENT LEVELS

Chair: Hannes Schammann

Increasing uncertainty at the state border: assessing recent deviations in border control

- Verena Risse, TU Dortmund University

Frontier cities: the rise of local authorities as an opportunity for international human rights law

- Moritz Baumgärtel, University College Roosevelt

"Rights? What rights, there are no rights for Roma" – Statelessness of Romani women in Rome's authorised camps for Romanies

- Simona Pagano, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity Göttingen

03:00-03:15 pm Coffee Break

03:15 - 04:45 PM PANEL 2 - UNCERTAINTY - EFFECTS AND COPING STRATEGIES

Chair: Sybille Münch

From refugee to resident: refugees' strategies for navigating unfamiliarity and uncertainty during settlement in Utrecht, The Netherlands

- Sara Miellet, Utrecht University

Refugees and (legal) uncertainty dynamics: a study of Sub-Saharan Africans' survival strategies in Italy

- Senyo Dotsey, School of Advanced Studies, Gran Sasso Science Institute

Maneuvering liminality: U.S. American war resisters' strategies to navigate legal uncertainty in Canada

- Sarah J. Grünendahl, University of Siegen

04:45 - 05:30 pm Coffee Break

05:30 - 07:15 pm Keynote: Cities of refuge and those that refuse: the policy, politics and praxis of local refugee reception in Europe

BARBARA OOMEN, University College Roosevelt, Utrecht University

Chair: Miriam Schader

08:00 pm

Dinner

Thursday, November 16

09:00-10:30 AM PANEL 3 – CITIES AS ACTORS OF UN/CERTAINTY?

Chair: Hannes Schammann

Local discourses and policies on deportation

- Sybille Münch, Leuphana University

In search of the local in Austrian asylum and integration policies. Tensions, claims and developments

- Miriam Haselbacher, University of Vienna

Shaping the inclusion and exclusion of refugees in a context of uncertainty: the politics of refugee reception at the local level

- Miriam Schader, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity

10:30-10:45 am Coffee Break

10:45-12:15 AM PANEL 4 – LOCAL ACTORS PRODUCING, REINFORCING AND DEALING WITH UNCERTAINTY

Chair: Léonie Newhouse

Uncertainty through suspension. How the Bavarian State puts local integration at risk

- Stephan Dünwald, Bavarian Refugee Council

Uncertainty and the construction of facts – a key component of deciding upon asylum claims

- Julia Dahlvik, FH Campus Vienna

Restriction, simplification and externalization: How German reception centers deal with diversity related uncertainty

- Alexander-Kenneth Nagel, University of Göttingen

12:15-01:00 pm Lunch Break (fingerfood and sandwiches will be provided on site)

01:00-02:30 PM PANEL 5 – LOCAL ACTORS MANAGING and/or ALLEVIATING UNCERTAINTY

Chair: Felix Maas

Managing uncertainty through economic rationalities: reflections on the involvement of a private company in local refugee reception

- Camilla Alberti, Centre for Migration Law, University of Neuchâtel

The reception of refugee children in Early Childhood Education and Care in Germany: experiences and challenges of managing uncertainty

- Antonia Scholz, German Youth Institute

Un/certainty, morality and symbolic boundaries in rural Germany

- Elif Alp-Marent, University of Tübingen

02:30-03:00 pm Coffee Break

03:00-04:00 PM PANEL 6 – COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVES ON THE GOVERNANCE OF UNCERTAINTY

Chair: Felix Maas

Refugee integration and governance mainstreaming. An analysis of governance responses in four European countries and cities

- Peter Scholten, Erasmus University Rotterdam

Organizing competing goals in local refugee protection. A comparison of German municipalities

- Hannes Schammann, University of Hildesheim

04:00-04:15 pm Coffee Break

04:15-06:00 PM CONCLUDING DISCUSSION AND FURTHER ACTIVITIES

Chair: Hannes Schammann

07:00 pm Dinner (optional)