

## ***Migration Studies without the Nation State?***

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The on-going corona pandemic appears to have ultimately ushered in a caesura in the understanding of governance and politics, fundamentally questioning free movement. In the same line of thought, Adrian Favell, one of the leading social and political theorists on migration, integration and citizenship at University of Leeds and fellow at the Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin, critically reviews what he calls “optimistic post-national forms of governance”. In this panel discussion, Steven Vertovec, Director of the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, and Christine Lang, former MPI MMG researcher and currently at the Institute of Geography and the Institute for Migration Research and Intercultural Studies (IMIS) at Osnabrück University, discuss the past and presence of nation states and their migration/integration policies, and whether migration research should indeed be reoriented by detaching itself from the nation-state. The discussion is moderated by Sakura Yamamura, senior postdoctoral researcher at MPI-MMG.

This event constitutes the kick-off for the new series “MPI MMG in Dialogue”, in which invited scholars will discuss cutting-edge research and new ideas with the institute’s scientists.

