Aspiring in Later Life: Reframing Ageing in Diversity Research

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In our highly interconnected and globalized world, people often pursue their aspirations across multiple places. Yet in public and scholarly debates, particularly within migration and diversity research, aspirations are often taken-for-granted as the realm of younger, mobile generations as those who hold the greatest potential for shaping the future. We question popular assumptions that aspirations are exclusively located and achieved in earlier life phases and that older age is a passive stage of life for receiving care, staying put, and accepting things as they are. The panelists will discuss their research on ageing in contexts of transnational migration, in urban spaces, and in times of digitalization. The event takes the recently-published volume Aspiring in Later Life: Movements Across Time, Space, and Generations by the ‘Ageing in a Time of Mobility’ research group at MPI-MMG as a starting point for reframing the discussion on ageing in diverse global contexts in more nuanced ways.