INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
Rethinking Migration in Times of Economic Crisis in Europe

Preliminary Programme

Thursday, 9 December 2010, 14.00 h – 19.00 h, Haus der Kulturen der Welt
Friday, 10 December 2010, 10.00 h – 19.00 h, Haus der Kulturen der Welt

The two-days conference questions the impact of the global economic crisis on immigration policies, on migrants, on refugees and on the irregular migrants themselves as well as on social cohesion in European societies.

Day 1: Thursday, 9 December 2010, 14.00 h – 19.00 h

13.00 h
Registration/Arrival Coffee

14.00 h
Opening Remarks

Thomas Krüger, President of the Federal Agency for Civic Education, Bonn/Berlin
Prof. Felicitas Hillmann, University of Bremen, Dr. Anne von Oswald, Dr. Andrea Schmelz, Network Migration in Europa e.V.

Section I: What can we learn from the past?
The current economic crisis in the historical and European context

14.45 h
Transformation over Time or Sudden Change: Historical Perspectives on Mass Migrations and Human Lives
Prof. Dirk Hoerder University of Arizona, USA

Follow-up discussion

15.30 h
Prof. Wolfgang Benz, Center for Research and Antisemitism, Berlin
Flight and expulsion from Germany 1933-1941. Problems of forced migration in 20th century

Follow-up discussion

16.15 h
Coffee break

16.45 h
The Response of the International Community in Europe to Migration during Economic Crises: The 1930s, the 1970s and the Present Compared
Dr. Irial Glynn, European University Institute

Follow-up discussion

17.30 h
What have been the Effects of Voluntary Return Programs on Migration Flows in the Context of 1973/4 and 2008/9 Economic Crises?
Dr. Piotr Plewa, European University Institute

Follow-up discussion
Day 2: Friday, 10 December 2010, 10:00 h – 19:00 h

Section II: Consequences of the global crisis for asylum and migration policies in Europe

9.30 h
Registration

10.00 h
The Economic Crisis and Labour Migration Policy in European Countries
Christiane Kuptsch, International Labour Organisation, ILO, Genf

Follow-up discussion

10.45 h
After the Boom: The Impact of the Economic Crisis on Migration and Migration Policy in Ireland
Dr. Torben Krings, Trinity College Dublin

Follow-up discussion

11.30 h
Coffee break

12.00 h
Czech Republic: Impeding and Inhibiting Factors for Staying Abroad
Dr. Marketa Rulikova, New York University, Prague/ Williams College, USA

Follow-up discussion

12.45 h
Lunch

Section III: Effects of the crisis on the social situation and social cohesion in European cities

14.15 h
Migration, Integration and Economic Development of Major Cities in Germany
Dr. Dietrich v. Loeffelholz, Federal Office for Migration and Refugees, Nürnberg

Follow-up discussion

15.00 h
Economic Recession and Internal Migration of Immigrants in Italy
Prof. Enrica Morlicchio & Prof. Elena de Filippo, University of Naples

Follow-up discussion

15.45 h
Coffee break

16.15 h
Labour Market Integration of Regular and Irregular Immigrants in Germany and Spain: Same Crisis – Different Effects
Dr. Dirk Godenau, University of La Laguna, Tenerife
Follow-up discussion

17.00 h
Rethinking Migration in Times of Economic Crisis in Europe: Conclusions
Prof. Frank Moulaert, ASRO - Faculty of Engineering, KU Leuven

18.00 h
Get together