

**The 5th Ruppin International Conference on
Immigration and Social Integration:
Migration in a changing global world**
Ruppin Academic Center, Israel
May 14-16, 2018

Please note that the program is subject to change

Monday, 14th May

After noon – evening

Study tour – the city of **Netanya**

Tuesday, 15th May

08:15-09:00

Gathering and Registration

Moderator: **Ms. Nivi Dayan**, Director, the Institute for Immigration & Social Integration, Ruppin Academic Center, (Israel)

09:00-09:30

Greetings:

Prof. Galia Sabar, President, Ruppin Academic Center, (Israel)

Prof. Howard Duncan, Head of the International Metropolis Project (Canada)

Prof. Moshe Semyonov, Chair of the Academic committee (Israel)

09:30-11:00

Opening Plenary Session: Israel at 70: Facing Opportunities and Challenges of Aliya and Immigration

Chair: **Prof. Galia Sabar**, President, Ruppin Academic Center, (Israel)

Key note speaker: **Prof. Sergio DellaPergola**, Hebrew University (Israel)

Mr. Pierre Besnainou, Honorary President of the Jewish French organization (Israel)

Ms. Gusti Yehoshua-Braverman, Head of the Department for Diaspora Activities, World Zionist Organization (Israel)

11:00-11:15

Coffee Break

11:15-13:00

Parallel Sessions 1

Immigrants' Labor Market Integration

Chair: Prof. Leah Achdut

An unsatisfied second generation of migrants? Intergenerational differences in life satisfaction and the role of reference groups. **Mr. Randy Stache**, (Germany)

Immigrants' well-being, discrimination and economic achievements. **Dr. Nonna Kushnirovich and Dr. Rafi Youngmann**, (Israel)

Satisfied with less? Mismatch between subjective and objective position in the labor market: Gender and ethnic differences. **Prof. Karin Amit and Dr. Svetlana Chachashvili-Bolotin**, (Israel)

On the cost of immigration: The case of Switzerland. **Dr. Dina Maskileyson, Prof. Moshe Semyonov and Prof. Eldad Davidov**, (Germany, Israel)

Immigrants' Organizations

Chair: Mr. Jean-Marc Liling

The role of Eritrean asylum seekers' community associations in Israel. **Mr. Habtom Mehari**, (Israel)

Do Immigrants Trust Trade Unions? A Study of 18 European Countries. **Dr. Anastasia Gorodzeisky and Mr. Andrew Richards**, (Israel, Spain)

'The state of the Unions': The role of Trade-Unions in shaping immigration policies – evidence from Sweden and UK. **Ms. Orni Livny**, (Israel)

What factors influence condition of diaspora associations? Immigrant organizations in a comparative perspective. **Dr. Witold Nowak and Dr. Michał Nowosielski**, (Poland)

Asylum Seekers

Chair: Prof. Moshe Shokeid

Migration and Well-Being: Young African Asylum Seeker in Israeli Youth Village. **Ms. Maayan Burstein**, (Israel)

The mental status of asylum seekers in Israel who were victims of human trafficking, tortures or smuggling. **Dr. Rafi Youngmann, Ms. Hadar Tzur, Dr. Rachel Bachner-Melman, and Dr. Ido Lurie**, (Israel)

How to Remember the Unforgettable? Autobiographical Memory and Posttraumatic Stress in Traumatized Refugees. **Ms. Anna Reeb and Mr. Kim Yuval**, (Israel)

A Context-informed Understanding of Refugees' 'Psycho-social needs': The case of Eritrean refugees in Germany and Israel. **Ms. Lior Birger**, (Israel)

Jewish Asylum to Non-Jews: Examining the question of granting asylum to non-Jews in Israel from a Jewish perspective. **Mr. Shai Tagner**, (Italy, Israel)

Crime and Migration

Chair: Prof. Alexandra Stupperich

An innovative tool to assess gender violence and reduce femicide among migrants and cultural minorities. **Dr. Anita Nudelman and Dr. Santiago Boira**, (Israel, Spain)

Russian criminal culture among drug addicted Former Soviet Union immigrants in Israel. **Dr. Liat Yakhnich**, (Israel)

What is it about perceived discrimination that can lead immigrant adolescents to delinquency and substance use? The mediating role of feelings of alienation. **Dr. Sophie D. Walsh**, (Israel)
 Migration, Resettlement Location, and Transnational Crime: The Case of Somalis/Somali-Americans in the U.S. **Prof. Edna Erez**, (USA)
 Domestic violence (DV) in the context of Generation 1.5 (G1.5): the case of Italy. **Ms. Maryna Manchenko**, (Italy)

13:00-14:00

Lunch Break

14:00- 15:30

Parallel Sessions 2

Immigrants' Identity

Chair: **Dr. Ravit Talmi Cohn**

Filipino migrant workers' emigration from Israel: Maintaining a Filipino-Israeli identity in Canada. **Dr. Deby Babis** and **Prof. Agnes G. Meinhard**, (Israel, Canada)

Massive Trauma and Refugee Settlement and Integration: A Multidimensional Exploration of the Effects of Identity Ruptures in Israeli and North American Holocaust Survivors. **Dr. Yael Danieli**, (USA)

Factors Affecting Emigration Intentions among Russian Jews. **Dr. Eugene Tartakovsky**, (Israel, Russia)

Cultural aspects of immigration and integration (language, identity): Young Italians with migration background. **Prof. Rita Bichi**, (Italy)

Migration Policies and Practices

Chair: **Prof. Rebeca Raijman**

How to treat the 'arriving other' – Reactions to increasing numbers of refugees and asylum seekers in 'the West'. **Dr. Moritz Jesse**, (The Netherlands)

Thou Shalt Welcome Thy Immigrants: The Conceptions of Willkommenskultur in German Parliamentary Debates and the Concept's Legitimizing Role in Germany's Maturation as an Immigration Country. **Ms. Nora Meissner**, (Israel)

"Anything to Declare?" How the Latino and Asian migrations to the US are Changing How Local American Human Papilloma Virus Immunization Programs Need to be Targeted and Administered. **Prof. Richard E. Barrett** and **Ms. Maya Patel** (USA)

Interpellating Sephardic Identities in Spain and Portugal: Multiple Agendas in the Twenty First Century. **Dr. Silvina Gesser**, (Israel)

Immigrants in the Education System

Chair: **Prof. Eyal Gamliel**

Reducing recidivism with the "Chances" program: Immigrant juvenile delinquents in Israel. **Prof. Arnon Edelstein**, (Israel)

The volunteer tutor: A new support for separated children in Italy. **Dr. Nicoletta Pavesi**, (Italy)

A Remedial Teaching program for Successful Acquisition of EFL Among Immigrant Populations in Israel – Game Changer EFL (GCE). **Ms. Tal Levy**, (Israel)

Integration of Migrants in Schools: Challenges and Policy Responses in France and England. **Prof. Paola Mattei**, (Great Britain)

Ethnic Enclaves

Chair: **Dr. Ofer Shinar Levanon**

Mental (Ill) Health in Eritrean Asylum Seekers in Detention: Documenting Risk and Resilience, Informing Policy, and Guiding Therapeutic Intervention. **Mr. Kim Yuval** and **Ms. Anna Reebbs**, (Israel)

Hospitality rescaled: The role of established immigrants within institutionalized hospitality in Israel. **Dr. Amandine Desille**, (France, Israel)

The Politics of Non-Integration: Enslavement, Enclosure and Transient Migrant Workers in the Globalizing City-State of Singapore. **Dr. Theodora Lam**, (Singapore)

15:30-15:45

Coffee Break

15:45-17:30

Parallel Sessions 3

Migration Policy

Chair: **Mr. Meir Sheetrit**

Conspicuous Mobility: The EU Passport as a Global Status Symbol. **Dr. Yossi Harpaz**, (Israel)

Parental Citizenship. **Prof. Daphna Hacker**, (Israel)

Migration policies and civil societies: A study on the Italian case. **Prof. Maurizio Ambrosini**, (Italy)

Managing migration and migrant integration in subnational territories: Challenges and opportunities of migration in Catalonia and South Tyrol. **Dr. Carlà Andrea**, (Italy)

Immigrants in the Labor Market

Chair: **Ms. Anda Barak Bianco**

Literacy and numeracy skills and the education and labour-market outcomes of refugees and their children to Canada. **Prof. Richard E. Mueller**, (Canada)

Immigration experiences in light of the life-course perspective **Dr. Pnina Dolberg**, (Israel)

Settlement Support for Skilled Immigrant Women in Canada. **Ms. Vibha Kaushik** and **Prof. Christine A. Walsh**, (Canada)

Migrants' human values in the EU countries in the first and second generation. **Dr. Dita Čermáková** and **Prof. Dana Hamplová**, (Czechia)

Immigrants in the Labour Market of the Host Society. **Ms. Anne Güller-Frey** and **Mr. Jürgen Schröder**, (Germany)

Attitude toward Migration

Chair: **Prof. Gallya Lahav**

Political Elite Discourse and Public Opinions toward Ethnic Minorities in Europe. **Mr. Christian S. Czymara**, (Germany)

A threat- benefit model for explaining attitudes of local people toward immigrants. **Dr. Sophie Walsh** and **Mr. Eugene Tartakovsky**, (Israel)

Israel - From Migration – to Population Change – to a Heterogeneous Society: Nationalism as Societal Glue. **Dr. Yair Barak**, (USA)

Dinner and social event

17:30

Wednesday, May 16

09:00-09:30

Gathering

Moderator: **Prof. Karin Amit** Head of the MA program of Immigration and Social Integration, Ruppin Academic Center

9:30-11:30

Plenary Panel: Migration in a Changing Global World

Chair: **Prof. Howard Duncan**, Head of the International Metropolis Project (Canada)

Prof. Galia Sabar, President, Ruppin Academic Center, (Israel)

Prof. Moshe Semyonov, Chair of the Academic committee (Israel)

Ms. Sharon Harel, External Relations Officer, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) – in Israel

Ms. Sian Upton, Counsellor for Immigration, the Embassy of Canada in Israel

Dr. Dan Shaham, Israeli diplomat. Recently served as Consul General for Southern Germany in Munich during the asylum seekers' influx.

11:30-11:45

Coffee Break

11:45-13:30

Parallel Sessions 4

Labor Migrants in Agriculture

Chair: Prof. Efrat Ben Zeev

Migration Industry: The Case of Recruitment Companies for Agricultural Labor Migration from Thailand to Israel. **Ms. Yahel Kurlander**, (Israel)

Merit-Making from the Fields: Translocal Acts of Belonging between Thai Migrant Farm Workers in Israel and their Community of Origin. **Ms. Shahar Shoham**, (Germany)

Migration and labor trajectories of Moroccan workers in the Mediterranean Agriculture. Insights from Spain, Italy and France. **Mr. Yoan Molinero**, **Ms. Ana López-Sala**, and **Mr. Gennaro Avallone**, (Spain, Italy)

Foreign Hebrew Labor. **Ms. Adi Elmaliah**, (Israel)

Floating above the land: Thai labor migration to Israel and the settler colonialism frame. **Mr. Matan Kaminer**, (USA)

Erasmus + Demo Project

Chair: **Prof. Julia Mirsky**

Developing Modernized Curricula on Immigrants' and Refugees' Lives – DEMO. **Prof. Julia Mirsky**, the Head of DEMO Erasmus + Project, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, (Israel)

Ms. Nivi Dayan, Israel

Prof. Virginija Jurėnienė, (Lithuania)

Prof. Isabell Schierenbeck, (Sweden)

Dr. Rhonda Sofer, (Israel)

Asylum Seekers

Chair: **Ms. Sharon Harel**

“Knocking on Doors that Never Open”: Examining Discourses of Rejected Asylum Seekers from Kosova. **Dr. Christine A. Walsh**, (Canada)

The journey of Eritrean refugees who “voluntary returned” from Israel to a third country. **Ms. Liat Bolzman**, (Germany)

Borderline youth: Independent children and youth at the Zimbabwean-South African Border. **Ms. Noa Levy**, (Israel)

Immigrants' Identity

Chair: **Dr. Shirly Bar Lev**

Putin's Aliya: Factors, Structure and Identity of the Recent Wave of Jewish Resettlement from the FSU to Israel. **Dr. Vladimir (Ze'ev) Khanin**, (Israel)

Jewish community reintegration in post-soviet Lithuania: restating/relearning Jewishness and Litvak past. **Ms. Raminta Lisauskaitė**, (Lithuania)

Migrant students and homemaking in transition: A study into everyday ways of belonging, self-positioning and appropriating space in an international student hall. **Prof. Paolo Boccagni**, (Italy)

13:30-14:30

Lunch Break

14:30-16:00

Parallel Sessions 5

Immigrants and Labor Migrants

Chair: **Prof. Moshe Semyonov**

The Chinese Migration to Africa – Why and How? **Ms. Adi Kraut Adler**, (Israel)

The Baltic States Riddle: International migration and the politics of methodology in publicly available cross-national data sources. **Dr. Inna Leykin** and **Dr. Anastasia Gorodzeisky**, (Israel)

Testing the Remittance Decay Hypothesis with Appropriate Data: Transnational Family Arrangements and Remitting Behavior among Senegalese Migrants in Europe. **Ms. Inma Serrano**, (Spain)

No Money No Games: Economic Tactics and Strategies of Independent Young Refugees and Asylum Seekers in Indonesia. **Ms. Realisa Masardi**, (The Nederland)

Immigrants Identity

Chair: Prof. Lilach Lev Ari

Between language and emotions: Linguistic patterns and well-being in immigrants of Ethiopian origin to Israel across generations. **Ms. Michal Tannenbaum** and **Ms. Belaynesh Yishak-Mekonen**, (Israel)

Emigration and Culture: Impact on the Country's Identity and Security. **Prof. Virginija Jurėnienė**, (Lithuania)

French Immigrants

Chair: Mr. Avi Zana

National integration in France and Israel at the "age of identities" in tension between the universal vocation of their respective founding principles and the ethnic fabric of concrete societies. **Dr. Meidad Ben Yshai** (Israel)

The uniqueness of transnationalism to Israel – The case study of Jewish immigrants from wealthy Western countries. **Mr. Israel Pupko**, (Israel)
Jewish-Moroccan youth immigration to France between the years 1950-1995. **Dr. Itzhak Dahan**, (Israel)

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Coffee Break

16:15 – 17:30

Parallel Sessions 6

Asylum Seekers

Chair: Ms. Sivan Carmel

'From Exceptional to Criminal': A case study of discourse on African asylum seekers and detention in Israel, an ethno-national state. **Ms. Maayan Ravid** (Great Britain)

Return after conflict: Rationality and emotions. **Ms. Inma Serrano**, (Spain)

Darfurian Community Organizations in Israel – Their Functions and Meaning for Members. **Ms. Lisa Richlen**, (Israel)

Eritrean Asylum Seekers' Lament Ceremonies in Israel as Contested Sites of Identity Formation. **Mr. Adam Rotbard**, (Israel)

Education, Cultural Encounters and Migration

Chair: Ms. Michal Avera Samuel

The teacher's actions in the kindergarten of African-migrant children as a mediator between cultures. **Ms. Dolly Eliyahu-Levi** and **Ms. Michal Ganz-Meishar**, (Israel)

Teaching Inclusion, Social Integration and Refugees rights with innovative children's stories in new medias. **Dr. Gal Harmat**, (Israel)

School for refugee youngsters in Lesbos Greece. **Mr. Yair Leibel**, (Israel)

Intercultural encounter in global organizations. **Dr. Michal Kremer-Asaf**, (Israel)

Migration Policy

Chair: **Dr. Erez Shoshani**

Causing Harm and Immigration Policy: The Case of Climate Immigration. **Dr. Nimrod Z. Kovner**, (Israel)

Twenty-five years after the dissolution of USSR: The new challenges of Georgian-Jewish relationships and migration processes in the 21st century. **Dr. Maya Gelantia** and **Ms. Irma Gelantia**, (Georgia)

Deportation as punishment: The (de) criminalization of Romanian migrants and their subsequent deportation from France. **Dr. Ioana Vrăbiescu**, (The Nederland)

Australian and Israeli Agreements for the Permanent Transfer of Refugees: Stretching Further the (Il)legality and (Im)morality of Western Externalization Policies. **Ms. Shani Bar Tuvia**, (Israel, Germany)

Closing

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