



CALL FOR PAPERS

MIGRATION, DIASPORA AND IDENTITY IN THE NEW ERA: DEVELOPMENT POLICIES, OPPORTUNITIES AND PITFALLS

Building partnerships and fostering communication

Venue: “Mother Teresa” University, Skopje, Republic of North Macedonia

25-26 May, 2020

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Migrant and diaspora communities have played a fundamental role in the world development and continue to do so. In this context this Conference is an attempt to address the importance of the Diaspora in both theoretic and practical aspect. In practical perspective good experiences will be shared by third generation diaspora representatives from the US, while in the theoretical direction the conference will be an interdisciplinary forum where researchers will present scientific research and theoretical studies on migration and diaspora matters. The conference theme enables a more comprehensive approach to this phenomenon which is part of our daily lives both in terms of permanent identities, inherited identities and created by our representatives in the Diaspora, as well as the significant social, identity, political, economic and cultural consequences it generates on our families and society. The conference seeks to discuss immigrant integration processes, Diasporas’ social relations, the importance of Diaspora for development, equality and social progress and also to examine how social resources are mobilized as social or political action among members of Diaspora communities both in the societies of settlement and departure.

This conference welcomes research papers on topics related to migration with particular emphasis on the role of Diaspora, such as, but not limited to:

Diasporas and Societies

- *Diasporas cultural practices, beliefs, customs*
- *Migrants, diaspora, religion and acculturation*
- *Language competence issues during the migration processes*
- *Diasporas' multiple roles in development and social change*
- *Organization, impact and legitimacy of Diaspora organizations*

Theorizing Migration

- *Migration and identities*

- *Migration and integration*
- *History of the changing migration regimes. Histories of diasporas*
- *Gender and migration*
- *Migration and Xenophobia*
- *Migrants, Human rights and Social Policies*
- *Migrants and media coverage*

Migration and Development

- *Impact of migration on development*
- *Effects and dynamics of remittances*
- *Emigrant political influence transnationally*
- *Agriculture, rural development and migration*
- *Brain drain – Brain gain cycle new opportunity for Know-how in transition societies*

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES & DEADLINES

- 31 March 2020:** Abstract submission. Abstract of a maximum 300-words, Arial 12-p, should be sent to migration@unt.edu.mk . Please include paper title with all authors, affiliations and contact details. The abstract should clearly state the rationale, methodology, results and conclusions.
- 20 April 2020:** Abstract acceptance notification
- 25-26 May 2020:** Conference dates
- 25 June 2020:** Publication of Conference Proceedings' Book
- 20 July, 2020:** Full paper submission deadline (maximum of 12 pages; Times New Roman; 12 p; 1,5 space). The accepted papers will have the opportunity to be published in the **South East European Journal of Sustainable Development (SEEJSD)**.
- Agenda of the conference will be published in due time at:** <http://migration.unt.edu.mk>
- Logistical details:** the travel and accommodation costs are to be covered by the participants, while the organizers will provide conference materials and coffee breaks.

** The conference will be held in English. No simultaneous interpretation from and into English or other languages will be provided. All papers presented at the conference must be original and not simultaneously submitted to another conference.