# OSLO MIGRATION CONFERENCE 2018

**Vulnerability, Protection and Agency** 

## **Programme**

Oslo, 24-25 May



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## Thursday, May 24

| 9:00          | Welcome   |
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|               | by Dag Michalsen and Marta Bivand Erdal                                       |
| 9:15 – 10:00  | Keynote 1: Protection, Agency and Vulnerability in the Syrian                 |
|               | Refugee Response  |
|               | by Maja Janmyr  |
| 10:10 - 11:50 | Panel 1: Vulnerability and process  |
|               | Chair: Maja Janmyr  |
|               | Yeşim Mutlu (Middle East Technical University, Turkey)                        |
|               | Paper: Remained in the Shadow in Blurred Spaces: Syrian                       |
|               | 'Refugee' Children's Risk of Statelessness in Turkey                          |
|               | Tommaso Braida (Uppsala University, Sweden)                                   |
|               | Paper: Are Stateless Detainees Vulnerable?                                    |
|               | <b>Veronika Flegar</b> (Faculty of Law, University of Groningen, Netherlands) |
|               | Paper: The International Organization for Migration's Policy                  |
|               | Choices in the Identification of Vulnerability: Between                       |
|               | "Actionable Information" and "Experience"                                     |
|               | Sarah A. Tobin (The Christian Michelsen Institute, Norway)                    |
|               | Paper: Hawala: New Emergences of Navigating Vulnerability,                    |
|               | Protection, and Agency in the Economy Among Syrian Refugees                   |
| 11:50 – 13:00 | Lunch   |
| 13:00 – 14:30 | Panel 2: Human Smuggling and Trafficking                                      |
|               | Chair: May-Len Skilbrei   |

**Bruno Oliveira Martins** (The University of Malmö, Sweden) and **Michael Strange** (The University of Malmö, Sweden, and Peace Research Institute of Oslo (PRIO), Norway)

Paper: Where's Africa? The political agency of third party states and civil society in the externalisation of EU migration governance

Vladislava Stoyanova (Faculty of Law, Lund University,

Sweden)

Paper: Is there a Human Right to be Smuggled?

Marlene Spanger (Aalborg University, Denmark)

Paper: What do anti-trafficking policies do? Border control and

governance

Emily Button Aguilar and Cécile Blouin (Institute for

Democracy and Human Rights, The Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (IDEHPUCP), Peru)

Paper: What Responses? Migration Trends and Foreign Victims of Human Trafficking in South America

Cristiano d'Orsi (University of Johannesburg, South-Africa)

Paper: The role of non-state actors in the smuggling of migrants

in Africa: issues of (missing?) protection

14:30 – 14:40 **Coffee break** 

#### 14:40-16:10 **Panel 3:** Migration and law of the sea

Chair: Alla Pozdnakova

**Peter Billings** (The University of Queensland, Australia)

Paper: Operation Sovereign orders and the Policing of Asylum Seekers En Route to Australia

**Kristina Siig** (Faculty of law, University of Oslo, Norway)

Paper: Circumventing non-refoulement by proxy? State ordered returns to Libya by merchant vessels assisting in search and rescue operations

Birgit Feldtmann (Department of Law, Aalborg University,

Denmark)

Paper: Banning NGOs from the SAR-zone - the case of Libya and Medicins sans Frontiers

Fenella Billing (Department of Law, Aarhus University,

Denmark)

Paper: The challenge of respecting non-refoulement in migrant smuggling cooperation with fragile states. Trust based on common goals rather than respect for human rights?

#### 16:10 – 16:30 **Coffee break**

#### 16:30 – 17:45 **Panel 4:** Accountability and Protection

Chair: Cecilia Marcela Bailliet

**Yi Chao** (Faculty of Law, McGill University, Canada)
Paper: The Need to Establish and Enforce the Liability of
Refugee-Generating Entities: Addressing the Normative Lacuna
in the Intersection between International Refugee Law and the
Law of International Responsibility

**Marianne Nerland** (Faculty of law, University of Bergen, Norway)

Paper: NGO Accountability in Refugee Camps

Marie Aronsson-Storrier and Susan Breau (School of Law, University of Reading, United Kingdom)
Paper: The dead and missing in the Mediterranean: The obligation to record dead migrants under international law

**Erna Blöndal** (The Nordic Institute of Migration and Refugee Policy, Iceland)

Paper: Subsidiary protection and the CJEU – the importance of individual factors and vulnerabilities

## 18:00 – 18:45 **Keynote 2:** Protection of Refugees, Returnees, and Internally Displaced Persons against Racism and Discrimination

by Cecilia Marcela Bailliet

20:00 Dinner

### Friday, May 25

| 9:00 – 9:45 | <b>Keynote 3:</b> Unity and Diversity in Contemporary International Migration |
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|             | by Jørgen Carling   |

#### 10:00 – 11:30 **Panel 5:** Precarity and Agency in Transnational Lives

Chair: Marta Bivand Erdal

in the Gulf Countries

**Bhanu Prasad** and **Jyoti Bania** (Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Tuljapur (Maharashtra State), India) Paper: A Study on Understanding Indian Female Migrants' Plight

Harres Yakubi, Vittorio Bruni and Clara Alberola (United nations university (UNU-Merit), Maastricht, Netherlands)
Paper: Irregular Migrants' Vulnerabilities to Corruption in transit:
An Intersectional Perspective

**Simon Yin** (Hefei University of Technology, China) Paper: Network, Mobility, and Integration: Undocumented African Migrants in Guangzhou, China

Erlend Paasche (Department of Criminology and Sociology of Law, University of Oslo, Norway) Paper: Class, risk and 'going with a purpose': Nigerian postgraduates reflect on irregular migration

#### 11:30 – 11:40 **Coffee break**

#### 11:40 – 13:10 **Panel 6:** Examining the Abyss

Chair: Bruno Oliveira Martins

**Tone Liodden** (Department of Sociology and Human Geography, OsloMet Norway)

Paper: The burdens of discretion: The role of doubt in decisions about asylum

**Daniel Agbiboa** and **Ann O. Afadama** (George Mason University/Centre for Rights and Development, Nigeria)

Paper: Beyond the Abyss: Urban-Rural Assemblages and the Surveillance of Boko Haram in Northeastern Nigeria

**James C. Simeon** (Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, York University, Canada)

Paper: Exclusion from Asylum on the Basis of Complicity in Terrorist Activities: Jurisprudential Trends in the Leading Common Law Jurisdictions

**James Johnson** (Department of Sociology, University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), U.S.A)
Paper: Closure of refugee reception centers in South Africa

#### 13:10 – 14:10 Lunch

#### 14:10 – 15:50 **Panel 7:** Bridging Protection Gaps

Chair: James Simeon

**Lisa Kerker** (Faculty of Law, Lund University, Sweden) Paper: Family Migration, Domestic violence and Vulnerability Theory

**Constantin Hruschka** (Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy, Munich, Germany) and

**Nula Frei** (Institute of European Law, University of Fribourg, Switzerland)

Paper: The duty to assess wheter an asylum applicant is "vulnerable" under the CEAS Directives: Towards a mote conceptual approach

**Jan-Niklas Sievers** (Consultant at PwC's Accelerator & Public Sector Advisory, Luxembourg)

Paper: Barriers Beyond Borders: Exploring what led clinical legal education to provide asylum seekers legal services in(stead of) the German asylum procedure

#### 15:50 – 16:00 **Coffee break**

#### 16:00 – 17:30 **Panel 8:** Durable Solutions

Chair: Beth Lyon

**Amanda Cellini** (Faculty of law, University of Oslo, Norway) Paper: A comparative analysis of refugee resettlement in 22 states

Jonathan Weaver and Francesco Tonnarelli (Project Urban Planner, UN-Habitat, Nairobi, Kenya) Paper: Special Economic Zones or Integrated Urban Economies: Platforms For Sustainable Livelihoods And Durable Solutions For Displacement

**Jennifer Prestholdt** (The Advocates for Human Rights, Minneapolis, U.S.A)

Paper: Engaging Refugees in Peacebuilding and Transitional Justice: Lessons from the Liberian Truth and Reconciliation Commission Diaspora Project

Rouba Al-Salem (The Center for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism at the Law Faculty, McGill University, Canada) Paper: Claiming Rights after Crossing Borders: Using International Human Rights and Civic Education to Empower Syrian Adult Refugees in Canada

17:30 – 18:00 **Sum-up and road ahead** *by Alla Pozdnakova*