

CALL FOR PAPERS UPF-CIDOB RESEARCH SEMINAR

MIGRATIONS AND BORDERS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

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Over the last years, research on migration has been confronted to in-depth transformations of the definition of borders in the context of the enlarged EU. There is now a global research interest in drawing the normative contours of the EU building process. The European Union is endorsing an integrated approach to border management, promoting cooperating among member states and moving toward increasing policy harmonization. Although the emerging politics of border management remains complex, the materialization of new forms of border management such as cross-border policing and bilateral border management in the European Union could be distinguished.

The seminar's goal is tackling both the institutional and the normative aspects of EU and member states on Migration and Border policies and to open a wide scientific, political and social debate on the interplay between Migrations and Borders in different Member States. The Seminar is interested in promoting a research framework which examines the interplay between the policy answers to migratory systems in Europe, on the one hand, and the emergence of a definition of EU external border on the other hand. The specific aim is to explore how the analysis of migration can contribute to EU bordering processes. The exchange and production of ideas in the Seminar will help to foster a Global European approach.

The Seminar's framework will work in three dimensions:

- Conceptual Dimension: methodological approaches and theoretical frameworks, definition of migration policies, external border and political community. Europeanization of migration-related concepts;
- Institutional Dimension: migratory systems in Europe, organization of migration policies, analysis of relevant stakeholders, diplomatic relations, political, legal and social contexts, and analysis of Migrations/Borders related conflicts;
- Policy Dimension: Informing wider scientific, social and policy debate by providing empirical comparative data on how European regions are managing EU borders.

Preferred topics are:

- Transnational politics and migration policies;
- Theoretical debates within the Migration / Border framework;
- Ethics of migration;
- Externalization of migration policies;
- Diplomatic relations on border;
- EU institutional discourse on border management;
- Border control and securitization.

Applications: All those interested should send their proposals to migraciones@cidob.org, (with CC to gritim@upf.edu) specifying SEMINAR CIDOB-GRITIM 2009 in the 'subject'. Proposals will be accepted in English. The proposals should include:

- * Personal data and a short CV (maximum 200 words)
- * Institution (indicate area of research and the university/centre where you are based)
- * Proposal's title (maximum 10 words)
- * Abstract (maximum 450 words)

Deadline: Proposals must arrive before **30 May 2009**. Notification of acceptance of abstracts will be confirmed by **30 June 2009**. Final accepted papers should be sent by **1 September 2009**.

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