

# **The 14th International Migration Conference Copenhagen, September 14-18, 2009**

The International Metropolis Project ([www.international.metropolis.net](http://www.international.metropolis.net)) is a forum that bridges research, policy and practice on migration and diversity. The project aims to enhance academic research capacity, encourage policy-relevant research on migration and diversity issues, and facilitate the use of that research by governments and non-governmental organizations.

The theme of this year's conference is "Migration and Mobility – National Responses to Cultural Diversity." The conference will be held in Copenhagen between the 14th and 18th of September 2009, and is expected to attract between 800 and 1000 delegates for high-level plenary sessions, a comprehensive study tour program and more than 60 concurrent workshops. The conferences are an opportunity for delegates – both expert and novice – to discuss critical issues, identify research and policy gaps, compare international experiences and build the Metropolis network.

The 14th International Metropolis Conference 2009 is organized by the Academy for Migration Studies in Denmark (AMID).

## **Individual Paper Proposals (Due by January 30, 2009)**

Individuals (researchers, policy-makers, NGO representatives) who are interested in presenting a conference paper are invited to submit an abstract. An inventory of submitted abstracts will be provided to prospective workshop organisers who may choose to integrate specific papers into their sessions. Inclusion will be at the discretion of workshop organisers, and it is likely that not all papers will be included. Once completed (<http://www.metropolis2009.org/workshop/index.html>), proposals may be sent to [Barry.Halliday@...](mailto:Barry.Halliday@...)

## **Workshop Proposals (Due by March 2, 2009)**

Workshop proposals on topics related to migration and diversity are invited from researchers, policy-makers, non-governmental organisations and other interested delegates. Workshop organisers are reminded that workshops must include representation from the research, policy and non-government sectors, as well as participants from more than one country.

Please note that the workshop sessions are intended as a forum for comparative, cross-sectoral discussion; workshops that focus on a single, local project or individual country case

study will not be considered. Workshops with explicit international comparisons and links to the main conference themes will be given preference. Once completed (<http://www.metropolis2009.org/workshop/index.html>), proposals may be sent to [Barry.Halliday@...](mailto:Barry.Halliday@...).

Workshops are selected from an open call for proposals and are adjudicated according to the strength of the proposal, best fit with conference themes, and representation of a broad range of perspectives from various countries, sectors and backgrounds. We strongly recommend workshop organizers review the attached document for guidelines and answers to frequently asked questions related to the workshop programme at international Metropolis conferences. This document will be an indispensable resource for workshop organizers.

General Conference Information:

For more information about the 14th International Metropolis conference, we invite you to visit <http://www.metropolis2009.org>. Please note that the plenary programme is in draft format and will change.

We look forward to seeing you in Copenhagen!

Best regards,

International Metropolis Project