

Call for articles:

"ICT and MIGRATION"

Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) have drastically changed the world we live in and they are central to a large number of shifts taking place within contemporary immigration. Social relations and social action, based on communication, are increasingly shaped and transformed by new technologies such as mobile phones or internet based applications (see, for instance, Youtube, Myspace, Facebook). The consequences of these technological innovations for how people socialize and work in trans-national pluri-ethnic societies haven often been ignored and under-researched in the past. This has led to the situation where we observe that ICT are of increasing relevance in every day life for both autochthonous and immigrant: in many areas the internet has substituted traditional ways of accessing core institutions of social life - work opportunities, education, housing, partner selection, etc. -, while empirical data and sound theoretically approaches are largely missing.

Based on the outstanding experiences of the International Workshop 'ICT and Migration: Mobility and Cohesion in the Digital Age', organized by the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) in Vienna in September 2009, we would like to invite articles from advanced students, researchers and practitioners exploring the multifaceted relationship between ICT, development and social-economic inclusion for immigrants in Europe. Manuscripts should be submitted via email and focus on one of the following topics:

- **Connected communities**: effects and implications of ICT on the life of immigrants and ethnic minorities (socio-cultural e-Inclusion);
- ICT, skills and the economic participation of immigrants: the role of ICT for economic success (IT experts) and labour market integration in Europe (international call and internet shops), e-Competences and e-Accessibility;
- **ICT for development**: remittances (e-Banking, cross-border Mobile Money Transfer) and the transfer of knowledge, skills and technologies between developed and developing countries;
- **Networked governance**: international and European perspectives on e-Governance in the field of migration.

Priority will be given to papers which present their methodological approach and include theoretical outlines in a concise and innovative way. Authors whose manuscripts are selected for publication will receive in-depth feedback and comments on methodological and theoretical issues of their articles. Chosen manuscripts will be edited and published as one of the first contributions on ICT and migration (research) in Europe.



Preparing Your Manuscript

- 1. Manuscripts should be between 15 and 25 pages (4500-7500 words), including tables, figures and photographs. Only a reasonable number of tables and figures that are essential to understanding should be included. Manuscripts submitted for consideration should follow the AUP/IMISCOE style guidelines for publication.
- 2. Use single spacing for all material, including quoted matter, lists, tables, notes, references, footnotes and bibliographies. For written text use spacing after 6pt.
- 3. Leave margins of 2,5 cm on the sides, top, and bottom of each page. Indicate a paragraph by indenting the first line rather than by including an extra space between paragraphs. First line by 1,27, *except for* first lines after headings, tables, figures, enumerations and/or lines of space.
- 4. Alignment left, no hyphenation.
- 5. Pager numbers should be positioned low centre in Arabic numbers.
- 6. Headers and footers are not permitted.
- 7. Use *British spelling*, with -ise as preferred style; default to Oxford English Dictionary.
- 8. Provide accurate and complete bibliographical information. All references cited in the manuscript shall follow the same style (Foucault 1972: 140) and shall be listed at the end of the manuscript. We recommend that you refer to IMISCOE Style guide for complete style guidelines.
- 9. Use dialogue and direct quotes sparingly. Incorporate the key ideas of conversations into the text where possible. If material is quoted, supply the complete source in the references and cite the page number with the quotation.
- 10. Do use footnotes rarely. Integrate this information into your manuscript.
- 11. Please proofread and spell-check your manuscript before submission. Review it for grammar, completeness, correctness and accuracy of references. Be sure to spell out all proper names, and fully identify all organizations and groups that are mentioned by initials or acronyms.

When we review your manuscript, we will be scoring it using the following criteria:

- Suitability and importance of topic;
- · Quality of ideas;
- Quality of writing;
- Contribution to policy discourse;
- Advancing scientific knowledge in the field.

Submitting Your Manuscript

Submit your complete manuscript by latest 31st March 2010 to Dr. Maren Borkert:

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