



International (virtual) Workshop

*‘Migration, Migration Flows Prediction Models and Migration Policy: trends, socio-political challenges and policy scenarios’.*

Monday, April 8, 2024, 09.30- 19.00

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**OPENING CEREMONY**

**09.30-10.00**

Opening Greetings

**Prof. Dimitris Kairidis**, Minister of Migration and Asylum, Government of the Hellenic Republic

**Maximos Senetakis**, Deputy Minister of Development (in charge of Research & Innovation), Government of the Hellenic Republic

**Prof. Michail Pavlidis**, Vice Rector of Research and Development & President of the Research Committee of the University of Crete.

**Prof. Elias Georgantas**, Head of the Department of Political Science of the University of Crete.

Opening Remarks.

**Prof. Nikos Papadakis**, Team Leader- Coordinator of the PreMoMiGr Project

**Panel I. « The outcomes of the PreMoMiGr Project, at a glance : The Start-Up Pilot Prediction Model for Migration Flows and the Policy Scenarios for the Greek Migration Policy» 10.00-11.30**

**Chair : Prof. Yiannis Karayiannis**, Associate Professor of Political Analysis and Research Responsible of the KEPET, Department of Political Science, University of Crete

- Prof. Nikos Papadakis** Professor and Director of the Centre for Political Research & Documentation (KEPET) of the Department of Political Science, University of Crete., **Dr Georgia Dimari**, Post-Doctoral Researcher at the KEPET of the Department of Political Science, University of Crete. Key Researcher at the PreMoMiGr Project & **Nikos Kosmadakis**, Ph.Dc at the Department of Political Science. UoC. Researcher at the PreMoMiGr Project.

*“The state of play of Migration and the evidence-based policy scenarios for the Greek Migration Policy: trends and challenges”*



2. **Prof. Michael Taroudakis**, Professor at the Department of Mathematics and Applied Mathematics and former Rector of the University of Crete. Principal Investigator of PreMoMiGr Project & **Dr Costas Smaragdakis**, Assistant Professor at the Department of Statistics and Actuarial-Financial Mathematics, of the University of the Aegean. Key Researcher at the PreMoMiGr Project  
*“Characterization of the migration dynamics in Greece using hidden Markov models”.*

Discussion.

**Panel II « Big Data, AI and evidence-based policy making ».**

11.30-12.30

Chair : Prof. Michael Taroudakis

1. **Dr. Martin Neumann**, Post-Doc Researcher in Sociology of Technology and Innovation and Simulation Methods Group at the Department of Language, Culture, History and Communication of the University of Southern Denmark. Denmark  
*“Growing artificial cultures: towards interpretive social simulation”*
2. **Dr Themis Tzimas**, PhD in Public Law and Political Science. Post-doctoral Researcher at the Department of Political Science of the University of Crete Adjunct Lecturer at the Department of Public Administration of the Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences. Greece.  
*“Biased AI: The impact of the social and economic system on AI machine- learning”*

Discussion

Virtual Coffee Break: 12.30-13.00



**Panel III « Migration, Migration Policy and Socio-Political Challenges »**

**13.00-15.30**

**Chair :** Prof. Nikos Papadakis

**1. Prof. Piotr Kimla**, Professor at the Faculty of International Relations and Political Studies, Jagiellonian University in Krakow. Poland.

***“Sources of Reluctance Towards Migrants. A Realistic Approach”***

**2. Prof. Roberto L. Barbeito Iglesias**, Professor of Sociology and Political Science, Department of Historical and Social Studies, Spanish Language, Literature, Moral Philosophy and Specific Didactics, University Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid. Spain.

***“Building criteria for a comprehensive pan-European response to migration flows to Europe”.***

**3. Dr Theodoros Fouskas**, Assistant Professor in Sociology with an emphasis on Migration and Public Health, Department of Public Health Policy, School of Public Health, University of West Attica. Greece.

***“Integration and social determinants of health of female migrants, asylum seekers and refugees in Greece: Living under precarious living conditions, socioeconomic uncertainty and gender-based violence”***

**4. Dr Stelios Tzagkarakis**, Adjunct Lecturer at the School of Social Sciences of the Hellenic Open University. Field Manager of the KEPET, Department of Political Science, University of Crete, & **Dr Michail Melidis**, Lecturer of Politics at the Department of Politics, University of Exeter. UK

***“The relation between social vulnerability and migration: Policy Challenges”***

**5. Prof. Christos Lionis**, Professor Emeritus of General Practice and Primary Health Care, Laboratory of Health and Society, School of Medicine, University of Crete. Greece.

***“Towards a new Migration policy: the role of Primary Health Care in the post-COVID-19 period”***

**Discussion**

**Virtual Coffee Break: 15.30-16.00**



**Panel IV : « The current Migration Policy and the stake of refugees' and migrants' social inclusion»**

**16.00-18.30**

**Chairs :** Dr Georgia Dimari & Dr Costas Smarasgdakis

- 1. Dr Dimitris Skleparis**, Senior Lecturer in the Politics of Security at the School of Geography, Politics and Sociology of the Newcastle University, UK  
*“Drivers of public attitudes towards migration”*
- 2. Prof. Tilemachos Iatridis**, Associate Professor of Social and Political Psychology at the Department of Political Science, University of Crete, Greece  
*“Migration vs. other stakes in ideological contestation over diversity; Evidence from lay and political discourses in Greece”.*
- 3. Dr Andrea Carla**, Senior Researcher at the Eurac Research, Institute for Minority Rights, Italy.  
*“De-securitizing migration through volunteering: a preliminary exploration”.*
- 4. Dimitra Kampeli**, Coordinator of Refugee/Migrant Support Programmes and Policy Schemes. Senior Expert at the Heraklion Development Agency, Crete, Greece.  
*“Inclusive cities: driving forces vs obstacles for refugees' and migrants' livelihoods and social participation. The example of Crete, Greece”.*
- 5. Diana Gerson**, Member of the Advisory Board of the Arigatou International-New York, USA. Member of the UN Committee on the Family & the UN Inter-Agency Taskforce on Religion and Sustainable Development. & **Prof. Dimitri Aryriades**, Emeritus Professor at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice of the City University of New York, USA.  
*“Migrant & Refugee Child Safeguarding: A Critical Contemporary Challenge”*

**Discussion**



**Workshop Closing Remarks**

18.30- 19.00

*Prof. Michael Taroudakis & Dr Georgia Dimari*

**Workshop Scientific Committee**

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*Dr Costas Smaragdakis*, University of the Aegean

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