

Workshop

Collaborative research workshop on migration attitudes, polarization, and policy analysis

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Sala Triaria - Villa Schifanoia, Via Boccaccio 121 - Florence

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Introduction

This workshop, co-hosted by the Migration Policy Center (MPC) and the Mercator Forum Migration and Democracy (MIDEM), aims to foster collaborative and synergistic research perspectives on migration-related topics, including public attitudes toward migration, migration-related polarization, and migration policy analysis. The workshop will provide a platform for presenting and discussing empirical research on public attitudes toward migration, the sociopolitical mechanisms driving migration-related polarization, and the policy responses addressing these challenges. Through a series of focused panels, participants will critically examine the factors influencing migration governance, the societal impact of migration debates, and the specific dynamics surrounding Ukrainian refugee migration. The event seeks to promote collaborative research endeavours and generate insights that contribute to the development of informed, context-sensitive migration policies.

Programme

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10:00 -10:15 Welcome and opening remarks

Andrew Geddes | Migration Policy Centre, EUI

Hans Vorländer | MIDEM, TU Dresden

10:15 - 12:00 **Panel 1: Migration-related attitudes and polarization**

Moderator: **Stephanie Acker** | Migration Policy Centre, EUI

Migration-related polarization in Europe

Maik Herold | MIDEM, TU Dresden

Moral foundations and fairness in asylum decision making
Lenka Dražanová | Migration Policy Centre, EUI

12:00 - 13:00 Lunch break

13:00 - 14:30 **Panel 2: Migration policies**

Moderator: **Friedrich Poeschel** | Migration Policy Centre, EUI

Immigration policy and electoral mandates: do executives keep their promises on migration policy?

Mariana Mendes | MIDEM, TU Dresden

Policy Elites' Theories of Migration:

Comparing Frames and Understandings of Migrants' Decision-Making

Carlotta Minnella | Migration Policy Centre, EUI

14:30 - 14:45 Coffee break

14:45 - 16:15 **Panel 3: Ukrainian refugee migration**

Moderator: **Marina Keda** | Migration Policy Centre, EUI

The image of Ukraine and the intention to return among Ukrainian refugees in Germany

Yuliya Byelikova | MIDEM, TU Dresden

Labor market integration of Ukrainian women

Iuliia Lashchuk | Migration Policy Centre, EUI

Measuring the legal implementation of the EU's Temporary Protection Directive (TPD) for refugees from Ukraine: convergence and divergence across 32 European countries

Henriet Baas | Department of Law, EUI