



Workshop

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Tuesday, 27 October 2020

**The Relationship Between Welfare State, Immigrant Integration,
and Crime**

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13:55 – 17:45 h (CET)
Virtual Workshop

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The workshop will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams

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About the Workshop

Due to the increasing number of refugees and asylum seekers in Europe and other OECD countries, the nexus of crime, welfare states and integration becomes an important and frequently discussed topic in the public as well as in the scientific discourse. In fact, the welfare system may foster or hinder migrant's integration depending on accessibility and on financial and personal support and may have an impact on public safety, respectively crime rates. Yet, the provoking question whether immigration increases crime and what role the welfare state plays, needs to be addressed. This workshop assesses the current research on deservingness perceptions in modern welfare states, discusses the impact of the so-called "refugees crisis" on public safety and crime, as well as the role of media.

Aim of the Workshop

The aim of the workshop is to bring together international scholars to explore and discuss the nexus between crime, the welfare state, and immigrants' integration, as well as to foster international and national scientific debates on these important topics.

Organizers of the Workshop

Stefanie Kurt (HES-SO Valais-Wallis | nccr – on the move)
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13:55 Welcome by the organizers

Session I

14:00 **Jihadi Attacks, Media, and Local Anti-Muslim Hate Crime**

Ria Ivandic (London School of Economics and Political Science)

Input: Yue Huang (Institute for Labour Law and Industrial Relations in the European Union, Trier University)

14:25 **R.I.C.E. An Integrated Model of Welfare Deservingness Perceptions?**

Carlo Knotz (University of Lausanne | nccr – on the move)

Input: Stefanie Kurt (HES-SO Valais-Wallis, Institute of Social Work | nccr – on the move)

14:50 **The Effect of Reductions in Social Assistance Provisions on Criminal Offences**

Daniel Auer (WZB Berlin Social Science Center)

Michaela Slotwinski (University of Basel & ZEW Mannheim | nccr – on the move)

Input: Flavia Fossati (University of Lausanne | nccr – on the move)

15:15 **Immigration and Crimes Against Natives: The 2015 Refugee Crisis in Germany**

Yue Huang (Institute for Labour Law and Industrial Relations in the European Union, Trier University)

Input: Michaela Slotwinski, University of Basel & ZEW Mannheim | nccr – on the move)

15:40 Break

Session II

16:35 **Refugee Admissions and U.S. Public Safety: Are Refugee Settlement Areas More Prone to Crime?**

Cynthia Bansak (St. Lawrence University)

Input: Ria Ivandic (London School of Economics and Political Science)

17:05 **Does Halting Refugee Resettlement Reduce Crime? Evidence from the United States Refugee Ban**

Vasco Yasenov (Immigration Policy Lab, Stanford University and IZA)

Input: Daniel Auer (WZB Berlin Social Science Center)

17:30 Closing remarks
