

## PROGRAMME

### ZiF WORKSHOP

## Moving in a divided world – Transnational crime, national borders and irregular migration

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### MONDAY, 11 JULY

9:00 – 9:45 Welcome by ZiF  
Welcome by Andreas Vasilache (Dean, Faculty of Sociology)  
Welcome and logistics/conceptual remarks by  
**Antje Missbach, Luigi Achilli and Soledad Álvarez Velasco**

9:45 – 10:00 Break

10:00 – 11:45 **Panel One**  
**Agents of Change: the Migrant Struggle amid Exploitation and Violence**

#### **Luigi Achilli**

“The ‘dark side’ of agency: transnational crime and minors on the move along the Eastern Mediterranean corridor”

#### **Nabil Ferdaoussi (Zoom)**

“Reframing Border Violence: The Role of Migrant Activists in Subverting Border Regimes at the Moroccan-Spanish Borderlands”

#### **Louis Vuilleumier**

“Negotiating deviant entrepreneurship”

**Wayne Palmer (presenter) and Antje Missbach**

“Take me home: The role of smugglers in return migration and clandestine border crossings in Batam, Indonesia”

Discussant **David Kyle**

11:45 – 13:15 Break

13:15 – 14:45 Panel Two  
**No “Victims” or “Criminals”: Problematizing Dichotomies**

**Ophelia Nicole-Berva**

“Smugglers or ‘in solidarity’? How migrants’ interactions with activists affect moral discourse on mobility”

**Natalie Chwalisz**

“Smuggler? Criminal? Friend? Service provider? Undocumented migrants reflect on their experience travelling”

**Hannah Pool**

“Our Qajaqbar understands’ – A Moral Economy of Human Smuggling from Afghanistan to Germany”

Discussant **Klaus Neumann**

14:45 – 15:00 Break

15:00 – 16:45 Panel Three  
**Transnational Digital Spaces of Irregularized Border Crossings: Between Everyday Digitalization, Solidarity and Violence**

**Francisca Sasseti (presenter) and Luiz Guilherme Natalio de Mello**

“Misinformation and Hate Speech against Migrants on Social Media: an Analysis of Migrant Caravans in Central America”

**Conor Sanchez**

“Balancing safety and voice on digital platforms for those seeking to migrate across international borders”

**Domila do Prado Pazzini**

“From Brazil to Mexico: Haitian mobility in Latin America”

**Soledad Álvarez Velasco**

“Between *Trochas and Coyotes*: Spatial Migrant Struggles in the Migratory Corridors in the Americas”

Discussant **Inka Stock**

16:45 – 17:00 Break

17:00 – 18.15 Keynote (Livestream) <https://uni-bielefeld.zoom.us/j/61786426715?pwd=RTM1MkFwRml5YTR6ZlBPbWZ0QkFSZz09>

**Gabriella Sanchez**

“The pressure to Condemn: Researching Smuggling in the Time of Security”

Introduction **Soledad Álvarez Velasco**

TUESDAY, 12 JULY

9:30 – 11:00

Panel Four  
**Beyond Human Trafficking and Smuggling: Gangs, Soldiers, and illicit  
 Entrepreneurship**

**Dostin Lakika**

“Between informality and (il)legality: Congolese migrants’ survival mechanisms in South Africa”

**Michael A. Paarlberg (presenter) and Loren Collingwood**

“Fact or Fiction: Testing the Link between local immigration Policy and the MS-13 ‘Threat’”

**Abdul-lateef Awodele**

“Survival Through Backdoor: Smuggling and Economics in Practice Among Nigerian Petrol Smugglers Across Nigeria-Benin Border”

**Jonathan S. Parhusip**

“Beyond Human Trafficking and Smuggling: Migrant Crews in Taiwan Fishing and Shipping Industries”

Discussant **Antje Missbach**

11:00 – 11:15

Break

11:15 – 12:45

Panel Five  
**Age, Gender and Race in “Modern Slavery”**

**Masha Hassan (Zoom)**

“Passeurs’ of Ventimiglia: An Ethnographic Study of the South Asian Migrant ‘Smuggler’ ”

**Anna Malgorzata Rajkowska**

“Jihadi returnees: The case of the Turkish women who joined the Islamic State (IS)”

**Temitope Akinleye (Zoom)**

“Irregular African Migration and Modern Slavery: the Case of Feale Youth in Nigeria”

Discussant **Paolo Campana**

12:45 – 13:45

Break

13:45 – 15:15

Panel Six  
**The “Micro” Dynamics of Migrants Smuggling and Human Trafficking**

**Paolo Campana**

“Unpacking the Structure of Human Smuggling: A Social Network Analysis Approach”

**Tabea Scharrer**

“Of Mukhalas and Magafe. Emic meaning-making of mobility facilitation and human trafficking by Somalis crossing the Sahara and the Mediterranean”

**Tauqeer Hussain Shah (Zoom)**

“The Thirsty Man Goes to the Well: Negotiations between Aspired Migrants and Agents - A Study of Irregular Migration from Pakistan to Europe”

**Nancy Porsia**

“Social perception of human smuggling in a border community in Libya: from political defiance to crime. Case study: Zwara, Libya”

Discussant **Luigi Achilli**

15:15 – 15:30 Break

15:30 – 17:00

Panel 7

**Whose Best Interest?****Regional Cooperation and International Approaches in Smuggling Policy****Leonie Jegen**

“Constructing and contesting ‘best interest’ in Senegal’s legal migration capacity building programmes”

**Ruta Nimkar**

“From the Outside In: How do Externalisation Policies Interact with Perceptions of Migrants and Smugglers?”

**Susanne Willers**

“Contested mobility in times of the COVID 19-pandemic and border enforcement: experiences of transit and immobility in the migration corridor between Central America and the USA”

Discussant **Soledad Álvarez Velasco**

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**David Kyle:** “Smuggling ‘Creativity’ in the Meritocracy of Global ‘Talentism’”

Introduction: **Luigi Achilli**

Wrap up & Closure: Conference Organisers