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Seelsorge und Beratung als soziales Handeln

Interreligiöse Zusammenarbeit im urbanen Kontext von Migration



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28th International Seminar on Intercultural Pastoral Care and Counselling

Care and Counselling as Social Action
Interreligious Cooperation in Urban Migration Contexts

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11 - 16 September 2016

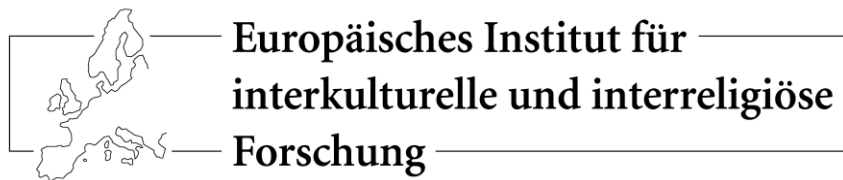
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The picture on the front page was taken by Isabelle Carthier for Caritas Vlaanderen. A volunteering young woman is teaching French to asylum seekers and is learning Arabic from them.

Issues and processes of the Seminar

More and more countries are affected by flows of migration. People decide or are forced to leave their homes for various reasons, whether they are persecuted for political, ethnic or religious reasons, threat of war and terror, or economic hardship, to name just a few. There are countries which have to take more and more immigrants – people of other cultures and religions. That frightens some of the local inhabitants and leads to resistance. Others welcome immigrants and asylum seekers and there are many people who work as volunteers to assist refugees and to work for inclusion. One can speak of an increasing **globalisation of migration**.

In many countries of the world there are diverse types of migration: labor migration (in the countries themselves but also abroad), refugees, permanent residents with an immigrant background, undocumented migration, people residing illegally in countries. This **differentiation** is one of the biggest challenges for national and international policies. One can speak of an increasing **differentiation of migration**.

In all regions and cases of migration, women are predominantly affected. Since the 60s they take over the world's major role in labor migration; in some flows of migration and in the organized human trafficking, they account for the majority. One can therefore speak of a **feminisation of migration**.

Even many children and young people are affected by migration. Sometimes they come with no adults or relatives to foreign countries. **Youth Migration** is a particular challenge

International migration involves bilateral and regional relations between and among states and to reconsider national security policies. Awareness of the need for cooperation between the host, transit and origin countries and for global governance is growing. It involves an increasing **politicalisation of migration**.

We will immerse into these developments and explore, how religion and faith-based care and counselling is responding in cooperation with different social and political agencies.

One main point will be to become more closely aware of the situation of migrants and their needs - beyond the usual reports on the news - and to embark on them. It seems important for us to reflect on the question through which "power games" and interests migration is caused and how we can deal with that.

Another challenge will be to explore theological, diaconal, pastoral and counselling opportunities to expose ourselves to migrants and to be helpful for them, as well as to learn from them. We will search for intercultural, interreligious and interdisciplinary cooperation.

The aim of the Seminar is to present care and counselling as social action and as a religious and faithful practice that contributes to social cohesion and cooperation.

**The languages of the Seminar are English and German.
Translation will be provided.**

WORKING METHODS OF THE SEMINAR

Worship - prayers - devotions give the Seminar a spiritual frame. The participants will experience common expressions of faith and the differences of faith communities.

Worship, prayers and devotions offer the opportunity to go into relationship to yourself, to others and to the divine power beyond ourselves. They are designed by members of different denominations and religions. Through openness of the participants for foreign traditions, rituals and symbols, through sensing the own spiritual need and through the willingness to be irritated, spaces for spiritual experiences will be opened. (Responsible: *Ursula Harfst*)

Intercultural Forum: The forums open the daily content-related work. They form an open space (similar to a "marketplace") for exchange of experiences, opinions and ideas using a narrative biographical manner. The core is telling about oneself. Some group-members introduce their personal experiences and opinions to the day's topic in the form of an interview. That will stimulate the plenary to talk about their own experiences, to express opinions and to get into contact to each other. Experiences of integration and participation, especially of people from other cultures and religions will be the main interest (Moderator: *Helmut Weiss*).

Lectures and presentations give impetus to the respective topics of the day in the plenum.

Workshops

The **individual workshops 1-5** will present specific issues related to migration and discuss them in depth. Please notice: These workshops take place only once.

The workshops are accompanied and moderated by moderators (*Johan Vrints, Klaus Temme, Ursula Hecker, Ari van Buuren, Franziska Boury*).

Workshop A: *The practice of pastoral care with migrants:* This continuous workshop (three sessions in the same group) will reflect pastoral work with migrants on the basis of concrete cases. The aim is to learn for practice in this area. Invited are persons who are interested in pastoral *practice*. Case presentations: *Sinem Ugurlu*, Ankara Üniversitesi İlahiyat Fakültesi – Research Assistant in Pastoral Counseling, Turkey; *Charles Donkor*, Remscheid, Germany; *N.N.* (Moderation: *Jan Michels; Ursula Harfst; Naziha Maher*).

Workshop B: *Research on Religion and Migration:* This continuous workshop (three sessions in the same group) will focus on research on the topic of "Religion and Migration". Invited are those who worked theoretically on this subject or want to work on it. Introductions: *Dr. André Ritter*; European Institute for intercultural and interreligious research. Liechtenstein; *Dr. Mary Esperandio*, Brazil; *Dr. Daniel Schipani*, USA/Argentina (moderation: *Helmut Weiss*).

If feasible the workshops are invited to write down the results of their work and to pass them on to the Seminar organisers so that they may be able to extract a substantive evaluation.

Reflection Group

The reflection groups have the task of looking at the respective day with the following questions and discussing them:

- What was new, meaningful and important for me today?
- Were the contributions today helpful for my own activities in working with migrants?
- Were the working methods of the Seminar helpful for my own learning?

All group members are invited to participate in the discussion. The moderators will take care, that all participants have enough space for their contributions.

As the groups work process-oriented, it is essential that the participants stay in the same group. The composition of the groups will be done by the organisers before the Seminar. The following persons are invited as moderators / facilitators:

Group 1	<i>Margret Noltensmeier / George Melel</i>
Group 2	<i>Mary Esperandio / Klaus Temme</i>
Group 3	<i>Christa Weiß / Martin Wehrung</i>
Group 4	<i>Hannelore Deichmann / Jean Charles Kaiser</i>
Group 5	<i>Greet Scheers / Wim Smeets</i>
Group 6	<i>Annerien Groenendijk / Ari van Buuren</i>
Group 7	<i>Astrid Giebel / Herman Vanarwegen / Ute Rokahr</i>
Group 8	<i>Sabine Temme / Julius Itumeleng Pudule</i>

Coordination: *Helmut Weiss*

Excursions to migration facilities in Gent (an extra programme will be handed out at the beginning of the Seminar)

General Assembly of SIPCC: Activities - Plans – Publications

Poster Presentations

A poster presentation is a visual display of completed or in-progress work. Posters will be on display during the whole Seminar to offer attendees enough time to interact. But there will be dedicated poster sessions. Presenters are asked to be available for the hour designated in the Seminar schedule for Poster Viewing. During the Poster Session (Tuesday, 13 September and Thursday, 15 September from 13.30 to 14.30 h) the presenting author is expected to stand by the poster and present it or answer to the questions coming from the Seminar participants. Posters should be taken down at the end of the Seminar. (See further information in the appendix to the registration.)

The following Poster Presentations were submitted:

- 1) Dr. Alunamutwe Enos Ranneditsheni – Exploring motives for ritual murder in the Vhembe district of the Limpopo province of South Africa: A pastoral intervention to restoring peace and promotion of social cohesion to the affected communities
- 2) Marlene M. Ferreras (PhD student - ABD) Claremont School of Theology - marlene.ferreras@cst.edu – Caring for Latinas along the U.S. Mexico Border: Globalization, spirituality and politics.
- 3) Linda Sauer Bredvik, MA - Heidelberg University, Germany - linda@bredvik.com - Crossing (Linguistic) Boundaries In and Through Interreligious Dialogues.
- 4) Mulovhedzi TP, Masoga MA and Mudau ZD - University of Venda, South Africa - mulovhedzipeter@gmail.com: Spiritual challenges affecting divorcees in a church context: A reflection on case study in the Reformed Churches of South Africa within the Vhembe District.

5) Rev JR Mokonoto (PhD in Practical Theology); Rev.Prof MA Masoga (PhD); Prof T.Mashamba (PhD) - University of Venda (email address: mokonotojoel@gmail.com) - Pastoral Care In The Context Of Intimate Partner Violence: A Multi-Disciplinary Approach To Sexual Violence Among The Christian Community Of The Evangelical Lutheran Church In Southern Africa

6) Drs. Theo van Leeuwen, PhD candidate Supervisors: prof. dr. M.N. Walton; dr. A. Mulder - Protestant Theological University and Windesheim University of applied sciences tt.van.leeuwen@windesheim.nl: Hermeneutical communication of Protestant chaplains in a plural religious society.

Verantwortlich: Dr. Mary Rute Esperandio

SEMINAR MONITORING AND EVALUATION: SIPCC-STUDY GROUP

Dr. Dominiek Lootens, B / Ursula Harfst, D / Franziska Boury, D / Hannelore Deichmann, D / Ursula Hecker, D / Archiboldy Lyimo, Tanzania / Bernd Kähler, D / Dr. Daniela Majercakova, Slovakije / Prof. Brenda Ruiz, Nicaragua / Klaus Temme, D / Sabine Temme, D

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Babysitting

During the Seminar there will be the opportunity of babysitting for children of participants. Participants can bring their children to the Seminar.



Programme of the Seminar

SUNDAY, 11 September, 2016

Arrival - Registration

- 14.00 Meeting of presenters, facilitators and the steering committee:
Information and last instructions
(Helmut Weiss / Dominiek Lootens/Klaus Temme)
- 15.00 – 16.00 Coffee / Tea / Cake / Snack Dining Hall 4
- 16.30 **Opening** Lecture Hall 4
Welcome by the organisers and co-operating partners
Welcome by the members of the SIPCC Executive Committee
- 17.00 **Introduction into an intercultural and interreligious worship** Chapel
Celebration of the Worship
Dr. Jorge E. Castillo Guerra, Nijmegen, Netherlands
- 18.30 The venue is introduced – The participants encounter each other – Commemoration 9/11
(Dominiek Lootens and Ursula Harfst) Lecture Hall 4
- 20.05 Dinner (after sunset) Dining Hall 4

MONDAY, 12 September; 2016 (Eid al-Adha –Islamic Feast of Sacrifice)

Theme of the day:

The complexity of migration as challenge of care and counselling

- 7.30 –8.00 Prayers - Devotions Chapel
- 8.00 – 8.50 Breakfast Dining Hall 4
- 9.00 – 10.00 **Intercultural Forum** Lecture Hall 4
Caregivers from different countries tell
about their experiences with migrants
- Coffee / Tea

10.30 – 12.30	Presentations and discussions Migration from a global perspective <i>Prof. Noel Clycq, Universiteit Antwerpen, Belgium</i>	Lecture Hall 4
	Migration as spiritual, political and theological challenge for Pastoral work <i>Prof. Dr. Regina Polak, University Vienna</i>	
12.45	Lunch	Dining Hall 4
13.30	Poster Presentations	
15.00 –16.30	Workshops	
	1) <i>Prof. Brenda Ruiz, Nicaragua: Women and migration</i>	
	2) <i>Team SIPCC Branch Tanzania – Archiboldy Lyimo; Rhoda Chamchama: The situation of migrants in East-Africa</i>	
	3) <i>Corinna Dammeyer, Herford, D: Counselling of victims of human trafficking (NADESCHDA – Counselling center for women as victims of human trafficking in Herford, Westfalia, D)</i>	
	4) <i>Anny Kaiser, Strasbourg: The cooperation of Cimade with churches and groups in the society in France</i>	
	5) <i>Prof. Dr. Maung Maung Yin, Migration – a challenge for Myanmar, Yangon, Myanmar</i>	
	A) The practice of care and counselling I: <i>Sinem Ugurlu, Ankara Üniversitesi İlahiyat Fakültesi – Research Assistant in Pastoral Counseling, Turkey</i>	
	B) Religion and migration I: Introduction: <i>Dr. André Ritter, European Institute for intercultural and interreligious research, Liechtenstein</i>	
16.30	Coffee / Tea	
17.00 - 18.30	Reflection Groups	
18.30	Celebration of the Feast of Sacrifice with a Halal-Dinner	Dining Hall 4

TUESDAY, 13 September, 2016

Theme of the day:
Psycho-social dynamics of migration

7.30 –8.00	Prayers - Devotions	Chapel
8.00 – 8.50	Breakfast	Dining Hall 4
9.00 – 10.00	Intercultural Forum:	Lecture Hall 4
	Coffee / Tea	

10.30 -12.30 **Presentation and discussions:** Lecture Hall 4
Migration and Islam: a feministic uand postkolonial perspective
Dr. Zayn Kassam, Professor of Religious Studies, Claremont, USA

The ecology of fear – systemic aspects of migration
Dr. Susanna Snyder, University of Roehampton, London, UK

12.45 Lunch Dining Hall 4

13.30 **Poster Presentations**

“From There to Here” is a video of 8 children who are refugees or immigrants, and who narrate on camera about their journey to Europe. Their perspective is very different to that of their parents'. They tell about what they like and what they miss in Belgium, and here too, the point of view of a teenager reveals very different opinions to what adults value in a society. The video is meant to be used in secondary schools to address the topic of migration.

Presenting:

Niomi Kelly, lecturer Teacher Training Thomas More Mechelen Antwerp
Hajra Selak, student Teacher Training Thomas More Mechelen Antwerp

15.00 –16.30 **Workshops:**

- 1) *Julius Pudule, South-Africa:* Counselling of Policemen in confrontation with migrants (?)
- 2) *Imad Haddad, Palestina:* „... and how do those feel, who are left behind?“ – Counselling to relatives who are left behind after emigration
- 3) *Heinz-Werner Frantzmam, Diaconia Düsseldorf:* Activities in the quarters in Düsseldorf for migrants
- 4) *Frank de Waele, Gent:* Shadows of religions in Asia: Example! Buddhism
- 5) *Rabbi Rochelle Robins, California, USA:* Migration – a Jewish perspective
- A) The practice of care and counselling II: *Charles Donkor, Germany*
- B) Religion and migration II: *Dr. Mary Esperandio, Brazil*

Coffee / Tea

17.00 - 18.30 **Reflection Groups**

18.30 Supper Dining Hall 4

20.00 **General Assembly of the SIPCC** Lecture Hall 4
All participants of the Seminar are invited to come to the
General Assembly of SIPCC



WEDNESDAY, 14 September, 2016

Theme of the day:
Excursions: Migration in the urban context - Grass-root work with migrants in Gent

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| 7.30 –8.00 | Prayers - Devotions | Chapel |
| 8.00 – 8.50 | Breakfast | Dining Hall 4 |

Visiting various projects and activities of work with migrants – Guiding tours through the city (an extra programme will be handed out at the beginning of the Seminar)

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| 18.30 | Supper at the center (please be back in time) | Dining Hall 4 |
| 20.00 | Discussion Forum: Inter-religious cooperation – the example of Gent
<i>Johan Vrints – experineces in Gent</i>
<i>Adelheid Verstraeten – Ria Van Overbeke – Eef van der Linden</i>
<i>Sholeh Tourki - Jonas Slaats - Frank de Waele –</i>
<i>Thomas Lemmens- Marc Loos</i> | Lecture Hall 4 |

THURSDAY, 15 September, 2016

Theme of the day:
Theology and care and counselling of migration

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| 7.30 –8.00 | Prayers - Devotions | Chapel |
| 8.00 – 8.50 | Breakfast | Dining Hall 4 |

9.00 – 10.30 **Intercultural Forum:** Lecture Hall 4
Prof. Dr. Emmanuel Larthey, Ghana, Atlanta, USA
Migration - care - counselling

Coffee / Tea

11.00 -12.30 **Presentations and discussions** Lecture Hall 4
Rev. Markus Merz, Vienna, Austria:
The contribution of “Nonviolent Communication” for Christian care and counselling with migrants

Prof. Dr. Cemal Tosun, University Ankara, Turkey: Islamic pastoral care with migrants in Turkey

12.45 Lunch Dining Hall 4

Poster Presentations

- 15.00 –16.30 **Workshops:**
- 1) *Hermann Vanarwegen, Belgium* Dealing with multiple loss in migrant families with a deceased (severely) handicapped child (using crosscultural farewell rituals)
 - 2) *Dr. Magda Sevcikova, Slovakia and Martin Balogh, Gent:* Living together with Roma in Slovakia and Gent – a form of care and counselling
 - 3) *Prof. Dr. Cemal Tosun, University Ankara, Turkey:* Islamic pastoral care with migrants in Turkey
 - 4) *Eef van der Linden:* Network for care and counselling with ex-convict migrants
 - 5) *Dr. Ronaldo Sathler Rosa, Social Action as Care: Its Spiritual Dimension and its Limitations., Brazil*
- A) The practice of care and counselling III. *N.N.*
B) Religion and migration III: *Dr. Daniel Schipani, USA / Argentina*

Coffee / Tea

17.00 - 18.30 **Reflection Groups**

19.30 **Dinner – Celebration – Thanks** (*Dominiek Lootens*)

FRIDAY, 16 September; 2016

Theme of the day:
Interreligious cooperation in urban context of migration: results and future activities

7.30 –8.00 Prayers - Devotions Chapel

8.00 – 8.50 Breakfast Dining Hall 4

- 9.00 – 10.30 **Intercultural Forum:** Lecture Hall 4
 Tasks of care and counselling in the
 social context of migration
Doris Peschke, Churches Commission for Migration in Europe (CCME), Brussels
- 11.00 - 11.45 **Reflection Groups:** Individual evaluation of the Seminar
- 12.00 – 12.45 **Plenum:** Lecture Hall 4
 Common evaluation of the Seminar (*Martin Walton*)
- Invitation to the Seminar 2017 in Wittenberg
 Spiritual closing
- 13.00 Lunch Dining Hall 4
- Ending of the Seminar

V E N U E

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Two bed room | 650,00 € |
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Registration and transferal of money

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