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ROBERT SCHUMAN CENTRE FOR ADVANCED STUDIES



The mission of the Migration Policy Centre at the European University Institute (EUI) is to conduct advanced research on the transnational governance of international migration, asylum and mobility. It provides new ideas, rigorous evidence and critical thinking to inform major European and global policy debates.

Research

The MPC conducts theoretical and empirical research that draws on a range of disciplines and methods, making linkages across different:

Types of Migration

Geographies

Levels of governance

Policy issues

We believe that migration cannot be analysed comprehensively and regulated effectively without studying and understanding these important inter-connections.



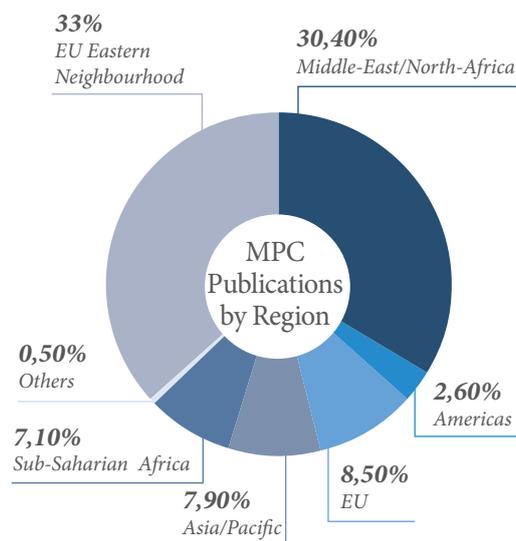
Professor Andrew Geddes
Chair in Migration Studies and Director of the MPC



Professor Martin Ruhs
Chair in Migration Studies and Deputy Director of the MPC

Policy Engagement and Dialogue

The MPC aims to bridge academic research, public debates and policy-making related to the transnational governance of migration, asylum and mobility. We proactively engage with users of migration research to foster policy dialogues between researchers, policy-makers, migrants and a wide range of civil society organisations (including NGOs and the private business sector) in Europe and globally.



Timeline

- June 2005 First Migration Summer School
- June 2012 Launch of the MPC by its Founding Director Philippe Fargues
- May 2013 The MPC contributes for the first time to the State of the Union conference
- 2015 The MPC creates a website dedicated to the Migrant crisis
- 2016 The MPC hosts the first International Workshop on Human Smuggling
- January 2017 Andrew Geddes becomes Director of the MPC
- September 2017 Launch of the Observatory of Public Attitudes to Migration (OPAM)
- January 2018 Martin Ruhs becomes Deputy Director of the MPC
- April 2018 The MPC hosts Metropolis International Steering Committee meeting

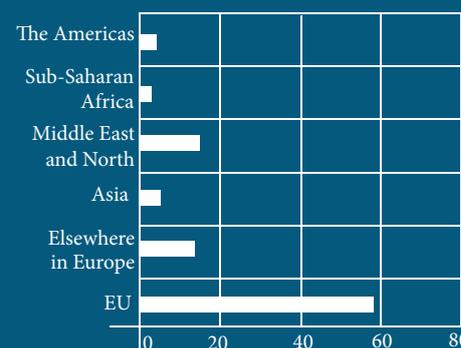
Executive Training

The MPC provides advanced training for researchers, policy officials, civil society organisations and others dealing with migration issues. We will align our provision of training to the teaching and other activities of the EUI's new School of Transnational Governance, and we collaborate with colleagues from different Departments and Centres at the EUI as well as other academic institutions and research organisations.

Migration Summer School

The Migration Summer School was created in 2005. Every year, it offers a two-week programme of advanced and specialised training in migration studies from a multidisciplinary perspective, targeting practitioners and academic researchers. Teaching staff includes members of the MPC as well as other invited academics, officials of EU institutions and international organisations as well as experts from NGOs and the private sector.

National origin of participants, since 2005 (%)



Current Projects

Observatory of Public Attitudes to Migration - OPAM

Funding: MPC

Description: OPAM provides comprehensive, global analyses of what people think about migration and why they think it. It creates a unique resource base gathering data from across the EU and provides insights on how public attitudes to migration are affecting national politics.

Mobility Facilitation Research Cluster

Funding: MPC

Description: The Mobility Facilitation Research Cluster at the MPC convenes the first global collective of migrant smuggling research. It constitutes a network of about 50 researchers around the world whose focus is the study of the facilitation of migrant journeys, their actors, and the legal challenges they face.

Mercator Dialogue on Asylum and Migration - MEDAM

Research Consortium: Kiel Institute for the World Economy (leader), Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS), MPC (EUI).

Funding: Stiftung Mercator

Description: The MEDAM project conducts new research to inform EU debates about asylum and migration policies, and to understand better the relationship between migration and development. MEDAM proactively engages a range of policy-makers, civil society organizations, and other users of migration research.

Prospects for International Migration Governance – MIGPROSP

Funding: European Research Council Advanced Grant

Description: Prospects for International Migration Governance (MIGPROSP) is a five-year European Research Council-funded research project that analyses the drivers of migration governance. The project's focus is on how 'actors' within migration governance systems understand international migration – its causes, effects, key risks and uncertainties – and how these understandings then shape or affect institutional responses now and in the future.

Global Mobilities Project – GMP

Funding: MPC

Description: The GMP creates and analyses a comprehensive database covering the demographic, economic, sociological and legal-political dimensions of human mobility. The database will be a valuable, open source for researchers, the informed public and for policy-makers, helping to provide fact-based responses to questions about the causes and the consequences of human mobilities.

Study on the human rights aspects of migrant's integration policies

Funding: Council of Europe

Description: The study will examine the human rights aspects of migrants' integration policies and measures in a selection of Council of Europe member states. It will assess integration policies and measures in the light of human rights standards developed by the European Court of Human Rights, the Court of Justice of the European Union, and Council of Europe monitoring bodies and mechanisms.

Role of European Mobility and its Impacts in Narratives, Debates and EU Reforms - REMINDER

Funding: H2020 – EC Research Executive Agency

Description: REMINDER uses a multidisciplinary approach to advance our understanding of the determinants, effects and regulation of 'free movement' in the European Union. It aims to generate a deeper understanding of how countries' institutional and policy environments impact on intra-EU mobility and of how political and media narratives about intra-EU mobility are formed.

Current European and Cross-National Comparative Research and Research Actions on Migration - CROSS - MIGRATION

Funding: H2020 – EC DG Research & Innovation

Description: The project brings together 16 leading research institutions, networks and policy institutes throughout Europe to create a central migration hub. It aims to accumulate and consolidate past, present and future migration research through providing an extensive overview of migration drivers, infrastructures, flows, and policies.

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