

Voices in Transit: Human Stories from Migration Routes to Europe  
Athens, November 23-24 2023, Harokopio University,  
Co organized by the HumMingBird project, EKKE and the Hellenic Sociological  
Society.

Day 1, November 23

Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81616070089?pwd=Zf7kUVIZfu8Nk1uNaiZYilrLjzXADb.1>

8.30am Registration

8.50-9.10 am Welcome Address

Vasiliki Georgiadou,  
Director of EKKE and President of the Board of  
Administrators, Greece

Johanna Tsiganou,  
President of the Hellenic Sociological Society

9.10 - 11.10pm **Panel 1: HumMingBird Research Presentations**

Session chair: Tuba Bircan, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium  
Rapporteur: Fereniki Vatavali, National Centre for Social Research  
(EKKE)

*Short introduction to the HumMingBird project*

*Trajectories to Europe: Fieldwork in Sweden and Belgium*  
Ahmad Wali Ahmad Yar, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium

*Navigating 'Stuckness': Migrant Experiences and Solidarity Networks in  
Rome*  
Michele Von Dach, University of Zurich

*Interviews with settled migrants in Germany and Spain*  
Jonathan Ernstherrich, University of Bamberg, Germany

*Reflections on researching Calais during COVID-19*  
Damini Purkayastha, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium

11.10 – 11.30am Coffee Break

11.30- 1pm **Panel 2: Being in the field: Challenges and innovations**

Session chair: Dimitris Parsanoglou, National Kapodistrian University of  
Athens- Hellenic Sociological Society



Rapporteur: Chara Stratoudaki, National Centre for Social Research (EKKE)

*Methodological Implications of visual representations of the refugee experiences*

Joanna Tsiganou, National Centre for Social Research (EKKE), Greece  
Anastasia Chalkia, National Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece  
Martha Lembesi, Centre for the Study of Crime, Greece

*Posting life at a distance: Digital technologies among Syrian families in a refugee camp in Greece*

Iossif Konstantinou, Greek Ministry of Education

*Longitudinal learning from the field: Encounters with asylum related migrants*

Jussi Jauhianen, University of Turku

1 - 1.45pm

Lunch

1.45- 3.15pm

**Panel 3: Representing vulnerable groups: Challenges and approaches**

Session chair: Amalia Fragiskou, National Centre for Social Research (EKKE)  
Rapporteur: Ahmad Wali Ahmad Yar

*Voices of resilience, Peruvian migrant women in Europe*

Ana Lucia Gutierrez Gonzalez, Hebrew University of Israel

*The Social Representations of Europe in the Tunisian Migration Narratives*

Konrad Pedziwiatr, Cracow University of Economics

*Being the voice of the voiceless? Talking migration with experts and stakeholders in contexts of social research*

George Kandylis and Eva Papatzani, National Centre for Social Research (EKKE), Greece

3.15 - 4.15am

Keynote speech:  
Prof. Petra Molnar

Rapporteur: Andromachi Hadjiyanni, EKKE

4.15-4.30pm

Coffee break

4.30 – 5.45pm

**Round table: Methodological and Ethical Challenges**

Discussant: Friedrich Wilhelm-Heckmann, University of Bamberg  
Rapporteur: Pavlos Baltas, National Centre for Social Research

Konrad Pedziwiatr, Cracow University of Economics  
George Adam, Harokopio University  
Dimitra Kondyli, EKKE



Damini Purkayastha, VUB

## Day 2, November 24

Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81616070089?pwd=Zf7kUVIZfu8Nk1uNaiZYilrLjzXADb.1>

9am-10.15am Keynote address: *Reflections on the role of history, temporality and memory in migration research*

Prof. Apostolos Papadopoulos, Harokopio University- National Centre for Social Research (EKKE)

Rapporteur: Damini Purkayastha, VUB

10.15-10.30am Coffee break

10.30-12.30pm: **Panel 4: Trajectories, decision-making and lives en route**

Session chair: Aggelos Tramountanis, National Centre for Social Research (EKKE)

Rapporteur: Giorgos Bithymitris

*Reassembling migrants' socio-spatial trajectories over life course*  
Loukia Maria Fratsea, Harokopio University

*AUTRUI / The Migration of Mustafa: An Art-Based Research Project*  
Sinem Tas, University of Fine Arts of Lisbon, CIEBA, Portugal  
João Quinteiro, New University of Lisbon, CESEM, Portugal

*'Another bad option is...': Trajectory considerations in the decision-making of asylum-seekers seeking to move onwards through the Balkans*  
Talitha Dubow, Maastricht University

*Migrant Dreams in Prison*  
Kalliopi Orfanaki, Hellenic Open University, Greece

12.30 - 1.15pm Lunch

1.15 - 2.45pm **Panel 5: Unaccompanied minors and migration regimes**

Session chair: Ahmad Wali Ahmad Yar, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium  
Rapporteur: Giorgos Kandyliis National Centre for Social Research (EKKE)

*Unaccompanied Minors 'in transit' in Belgium: The case for pre-reception and specific support*

Jeanne Nechelpu, Laurence Bruyneel, Lorena Viera Rodriguez and Tom DeVriendt, Caritas Belgium



*Students in transit: Teachers' views on the educational experiences of refugee children and youth in Greece*

Theoni Stathopoulou, Eirini Adamopoulou, Lina Zirganou-Kazolea and Natalia Spyropoulou, National Centre for Social Research (EKKE), Greece

*Itinerant borders and children's lives en route to Europe*

Lucija Klun, Slovenian Migration Institute

2.45 – 3:00pm

Coffee break

3.00-4.30pm

**Panel 5: Long pauses, ambivalent onward journeys**

Session chair: Giorgos Bithymitris, National Centre for Social Research (EKKE)

Rapporteur: Aggelos Tramountanis, National Centre for Social Research (EKKE)

*Unravelling Return and Onward Mobility in Southeast Europe: Multiple trajectories of Second-Generation Albanians from Greece and Italy in 2020*

Eda Gemi, Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy  
Etleva Babameto, Albanian University

*African Cities as Migration Gateways? Ambivalent experiences from Senegal and Tunisia*

Stefano Degli Uberti, National Research Council, Italy  
Konrad Pedziwiatr, Cracow University of Economics, Poland  
Lancine Diop, Denmark, Alborg University, Denmark  
Kolina Sobczak-Szelc, University of Warsaw, Poland

*Gender, family and work among migrant women in Italy*

Gul Ince Beqo, UNIMI, Italy

4.30-5.00 pm

Concluding remarks and farewell

Tuba Bircan and Dimitra Kondyli