

Return migration and transnationalism: alternatives or complements?

Henry Dunant Hall, Red Cross conference centre (Adjacent to PRIO)

Tuesday 4 September, 2012

08:30–09:00 Coffee and registration

Chair: Jørgen

Workshop opening

09:00–09:15 Welcome, logistical information and brief round of presentations

Introductory presentation

09:15–10:00 Russell King (University of Sussex)
Narratives of second-generation 'return' migration: new dynamics of integration and transnationalism

10:00–10:10 Discussion

10:10–10:30 Coffee break

Trajectories of transnationalism and return

10:30–10:50 Giulia Sinatti (International Institute of Social Studies, The Netherlands)
Return migration or transnational movement? Insight into the differing understandings of return and transnationalism of migrants and policy actors in Senegal

10:50–11:10 Marie-Laurence Flahaux (Université catholique de Louvain & INED, France and Belgium)
Are family and material ties with the origin country determinants for return? A comparative analysis of Senegal and DR Congo

11:10–11:30 María Hernández Carretero (PRIO, Norway)
Morals, reciprocity and belonging: transnational engagements and migrant trajectories

11:30–12:00 Discussion

12:00–13:00 Lunch

Chair: Marta B

Trajectories of transnationalism and return (continued)

13:00–13:20 Wei Li, Claudia Sadowski-Smith and Wan Yu (Arizona State University, USA)
Return migration and transnationalism: evidence from highly-skilled migration

13:20–13:40 Elaine Ho (National University of Singapore, Singapore)
The emotional economy of Mainland Chinese re-migration: immigration, return and sustained transnationalism

13:40–14:00 Ayumi Takenaka (Bryn Mawr College, USA)
The rise and fall of transnational ethnic bonds: Japanese-Peruvian return-migration to Japan and its transnational impact

14:00–14:30 Discussion

14:30–14:50 Coffee break

Chair: Marta E

Trajectories of transnationalism and return (continued)

- 14:50–15:10 Anne White (University of Bath, UK)
The limits of transnationalism: failed returns to Poland as motivations for permanent settlement abroad
- 15:10–15:30 Aija Lulle (University of Latvia, Latvia)
Finding home: connections between transnationalism and return migration in the post-socialist context
- 15:30–15:50 Marta Bolognani (University of Sussex, UK)
Lifestyle returnees and lifestyle settlers: the emergence of non-economic transnational reasoning
- 15:50–16:20 Discussion

16:20–16:40 Coffee break**Transnationalism and the possibility of return**

- 16:40–17:00 Erlend Paasche, (Peace Research Institute Oslo, Norway)
The multiple relationships between transnational practices and return: Iraqi Kurds in Oslo and London
- 17:00–17:20 Rojan Ezzati and Marta Bivand Erdal (Peace Research Institute Oslo, Norway)
Where are you from or when did you come? Migrants' transnational practices and return considerations interrogated with and without a national lens
- 17:20–17:40 Discussion

19:00**Dinner****“V” Restaurant at Vulcan Scandic Hotel (Maridalsveien 13a)****Wednesday 5 September, 2012****08:45–09:15 Coffee**

Chair: Ceri

Introductory presentation

- 09:15–09:40 Jørgen Carling
Possibilities and Realities of Return Migration (PREMIG)

Transnationalism and the possibility of return (continued)

- 09:40–10:00 Alistair Hunter (University of Edinburgh, Scotland)
Empowering or impeding return migration? ICT, mobile phones, and the ‘pressure of communicability’ in transnational families
- 10:00–10:20 Tove Sagmo (PRIO, Norway)
Multiple realities of return visits to Burundi
- 10:20–10:40 Discussion

10:40–11:00 Coffee break**Transnationalism and the possibility of return (continued)**

- 11:00–11:20 Özge Bilgili and Melissa Siegel (Maastricht Graduate School of Governance, the Netherlands)
Migrants' integration, homeland engagement and intentions to return: an analysis based on Afghan, Burundian, Ethiopian and Moroccan migrants in the Netherlands

- 11:20–11:40 Jørgen Carling (Peace Research Institute Oslo, Norway) and Silje Vatne Pettersen (Statistics Norway, Norway)
Immigrant integration, transnationalism, and return migration intentions
- 11:40–12:00 Arjen Leerkes (Erasmus University and Research and Documentation Centre, the Netherlands) Moira Galloway, (Research and Documentation Centre, The Netherlands) and Eline van der Haar (Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands)
Putting transnationalism into perspective: on the determinants of voluntary return among asylum seekers who have exhausted all legal means

12:00–12:30 Discussion

12:30–13:30 Lunch

Chair: Rojan

Post-return transnationalism

- 13:30–13:50 Vanessa Iaria (Sussex Centre for Migration Research, University of Sussex, UK)
Post-return transnationalism and the Iraqi protracted displacement in Syria and Jordan
- 13:50–14:10 Nassim Majidi (Sciences Po Paris, France)
The myth of ‘return and reintegration’ in Afghanistan
- 14:10–14:30 Discussion

14:30–14:50 Coffee break

Post-return transnationalism (continued)

- 14:50–15:10 Ceri Oeppen (Sussex Centre for Migration Research, University of Sussex, UK)
Transnationalism after return: Afghan returnees from the UK and Norway in Kabul
- 15:10–15:30 Erik Olsson (Stockholm University, Sweden)
From diaspora with dreams: narratives on the return to Chile
- 15:30–15:50 Dennis Conway (Indiana University, USA), Rob B. Potter (Reading University, UK), and Godfrey St. Bernard (University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago)
How transnationalism affects Trinidadian return migrants’ preparedness and re-integration adjustments when ‘back home’
- 15:50–16:20 Discussion

16:20–16:40 Coffee break

Chair: Marta E

Post-return transnationalism (continued)

- 16:40–17:00 Katie Kuschminder (Maastricht Graduate School of Governance, the Netherlands)
Post-return transnational engagement and reintegration of return migrants in Ethiopia
- 17:00–17:20 Nauja Kleist (Danish Institute for International Studies, Denmark)
Returning empty-handed. involuntary return and disrupted transnational practices in Ghana
- 17:20–17:40 Discussion

Concluding remarks

17:40–18:00 Follow-up plans

19:00 Dinner “Vann og Brød” (Tøyenbekken 5)