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Public Keynote  
by Prof. Dr.  
Thomas Faist

27.11-28.11.2015

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STUDIES:

REFLECTIONS AND

CHALLENGES

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# WORKSHOP

## Migration Studies: Reflections and Challenges



### PROGRAM

We invite you to discuss and exchange ideas and views about your current work and concerns related to migration studies. This workshop includes (but is not restricted to) the following issues:

- (1) A critical presentation of the participants' recent work in the domain of migration.
- (2) Discussing migration related concepts with which the participants are currently concerned.
- (3) Assessing the utility of using metaphors in discussing theoretical issues about migration.
- (4) Determining the direction of migration studies and identifying questions for future research.

### FRIDAY, November the 27<sup>th</sup>

2:00 pm Opening  
Prof. Dr. Anton Escher (Mainz University)  
& Prof. Dr. Paul Tabar (LAU Beirut)

#### Discussions – Part 1\*

*\*10 till 15-minute statement of each participant about his/her recent work and problems faced followed by a 30-minute discussion after each statement (order can be modified)*

Dr. Philipp Bruckmayr (Wien University)  
Prof. Dr. Thomas Faist (Bielefeld University)  
Matthias Gebauer M.A. (Mainz University)

Coffee

6:00-8:00pm **Public Keynote** and Discussion

Prof. Dr. Thomas Faist  
(Bielefeld University)

Moderation: Prof. Dr. Paul Tabar

**Critical Analysis of Conceptual Issues in the Current Work on Migration – Cross-Border Migration as the Transnational Social Question**

8:00pm Dinner at the OIB

### SATURDAY, November the 28<sup>th</sup>

#### Discussions – Part 2\*

10:00-12:00am

Dipl.-Geogr. Marie Karner (Mainz University)  
Prof. Dr. Greg Noble (University of Western Sydney)  
Prof. Dr. Jennifer Skulte-Ouais (LAU Beirut)

12:00–1:30pm Lunch at the OIB

#### Discussions – Part 3\*

1:30–3:30pm

Prof. Dr. Martin Sökefeld (LMU München)  
Prof. Dr. Paul Tabar (LAU Beirut)  
Prof. Dr. Anton Escher (Mainz University)

3:30–4:00pm Coffee

#### Discussions – Part 4

4:00–6:00pm

**Mass Exodus? The New Type of Migration?**

7:30pm Dinner at the Al Falamanki  
(Damascus Road – Sodeco)

