

FORGOTTEN CORRIDORS

Global Displacement &
the Politics of Engagement

10th Annual Conference of the
Canadian Association for Refugee
and Forced Migration Studies

Hosted by the Centre for Asia-Pacific
Initiatives at the University of Victoria

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Welcome to CARFMS17

HOSTED BY THE UVIC CENTRE FOR ASIA-PACIFIC INITIATIVES



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Welcome to the University of Victoria, we are delighted that you are able to join us. The University of Victoria is situated on the territories of the Coast and Straits Salish peoples and we respectfully acknowledge how privileged we are to be here. This year's event is the first time that a Canadian Association of Refugee and Forced Migration Studies (CARFMS) Conference will be held on the west coast of Canada, a historical moment to be sure. The next three days will be filled with many panel presentations, keynote speeches and cultural events, bringing people together from across the globe to discuss the most pressing issues concerning displacement and forced migration. We hope that you enjoy your time with us.

Our title and theme of this year's conference, "Forgotten Corridors: Global Displacement & the Politics of Engagement", was purposefully chosen to highlight the complexities surrounding the forced movements of people in all parts of world. We hope that this year's conference will create opportunities for discussions concerning the hierarchies of displacement, the multiple causes of forced migration and the various ways that strategies for movement and resettlement play out. We hope that such discussions will foster new ways of thinking about the issues at hand, identify key trends and trajectories, anticipate problems and how to address them.

The efforts that have gone into this conference are the contributions of many and I would like to extend a huge thank you to our hardworking conference committee, the CARFMS Executive, our many volunteers and of course our wonderful people at Centre for Asia Pacific Initiatives. We would also like to thank our sponsors including the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, the many different units from across our UVic campus, York University and the Canadian Association of Refugee and Forced Migration Studies. Without their support the next three days would not have happened.

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FORGOTTEN CORRIDORS

Global Displacement & the Politics of Engagement

PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

MONDAY / LUNDI

12:00 **Registration / Inscription** [Continues until 5:00 pm]

1:00	1	The Politics of Displacement MAC D107	Indigenous Displacement and Responses MAC D110	Graduate Student Workshop MAC D111	Gendered Health and Familial Relations MAC D114
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2:30 **Afternoon Break / Pause santé**

3:00	2	Access to Justice in Canada's Asylum System: Insights from the University of Ottawa Refugee Assistance Program MAC D105	Not Counted as Refugees: Internally Displaced Persons MAC D110	CARFMS Student Essay Contest MAC D111	Access to Services in Refugee Settlement: Gender Dimensions MAC D114
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4:30 **Afternoon Break / Pause santé**

6:00 **Welcome Reception / Réception**

FIRST PEOPLES HOUSE CEREMONIAL HALL ALL WELCOME

7:00 **Evening Break / Pause santé**

7:30 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS We Must Now Speak Environment, Economy, Foreign Policy, Health and Human Rights in the Same Breath**

Sheila Watt-Cloutier ENVIRONMENTAL, CULTURAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCATE

DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – LIMITED SEATING AVAILABLE

INFORMATION

MEALS

There will be coffee, tea and a light breakfast served each morning in the lobby of the David Lam Auditorium. A bagged lunch will be provided in the same general area. A variety of sandwiches will be available on a first come first serve basis. Valid conference badge required.

Places to purchase food on campus:

- MAC's Café in MacLaurin A wing will be open 11am – 2 pm
- Mystic Market in University Centre is open until 7:30pm

WIFI

The conference has a dedicated wifi network. Please log on to **CARFMS17** to check your email, get transportation info and directions. No password needed!

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TUESDAY / MARDI

8:30 Registration & Coffee / Inscription et rafraîchissements

Conference Welcome & Opening Remarks9:00 Announcement of the CARFMS Student Essay winners
DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]9:30 **PLENARY SESSION Special Plenary Session on Civil Society**
DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]

10:30 Morning Break / Pause santé

11:00	3	Space, Identity and Resilience MAC D103	Forgotten Crises, Forgotten Narratives MAC D105	Internal Displacement in Nigeria MAC D107	Managing Migrants: Controlling Borders and Other Spaces MAC D109	Border Spaces MAC D110	Common Marginalisations: Governing Migrants and Subaltern Populations MAC D111	The Canada-US Safe Third Country Agreement in an Age of Trump MAC D114
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12:30 Lunch CARFMS Annual General Meeting / Assemblée générale annuelle de l'ACERMF MAC D109

1:00	4	Materialities of Displacement MAC D103	Refugee Protection and Law MAC D107	Migration and Refugee Performances MAC D110	Interrogating Refugee and Migration Discourses MAC D114
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2:30 Afternoon Break / Pause santé

3:00	5	Identity, Vulnerability, and Integration in the Canadian Context MAC D103	WORKSHOP Aliens Go Home: A Close Encounter with an (Almost) Forgotten Incident MAC D105	Refugee Protection and Agency MAC D107	Whose Responsibility? Shifting the Refugee Burden MAC D110	Managing the Refugee System MAC D111	The Aesthetic of Refugee Representation in Canadian Cultural Production MAC D114
4:30	6	SPECIAL PRESENTATION Pacific Stream Community Narratives of Climate Change MAC D115	Educational Attainment Among Refugees MAC D105	WORKSHOP An Interdisciplinary Conversation on the Urban Challenges of Climate Migrants MAC D107	Displacement, Detention and Asylum MAC D110	WORKSHOP Ethical Guidelines of Research with Refugees MAC D111	The Refugee Crisis: Challenges, Solutions and Reforms MAC D114

6:00 Dinner Break

7:30 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS Dying to Live**
Jyoti Sanghera CHIEF, ASIA-PACIFIC SECTION, OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN GENEVA
DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]
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WEDNESDAY / MERCREDI

8:30 Registration & Coffee / Inscription et rafraîchissements

9:00	7 Negotiating Migration MAC D103	The Local Imperative of Settlement Success MAC D107	Securitization of Migration and Asylum in Canada: An Analysis of Policy Consequences and Human Rights Impact MAC D109	Border Rights and Controls MAC D110	Precarious Subject: Who is the Migrant? MAC D114
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10:30 Morning Break / Pause santé

11:00	8 Creating and Belonging MAC D103	Civil Society and the 'Migrant' MAC D105	Impacts of Policy for the Refugee MAC D107	Limiting Access to Asylum in Canada on Criminal Grounds MAC D109	The Perils of Displacement MAC D110	Politics of Mobility MAC D114
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12:30 Lunch

CARFMS Student Caucus MAC D109

1:00 **PLENARY SESSION Recent Developments in Canadian Refugee Law**

DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]

2:30 Afternoon Break / Pause santé

3:00	9 Human Trafficking in Eastern Ethiopia: Navigating the Causes, Nature and Routes MAC D105	Moralizing Controls and Regulations MAC D107	Refugees, Resettlement, and the Canadian Immigration System MAC D110	Imagining the Refugee MAC D114
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4:30 **SPECIAL FILM PRESENTATION Chasing Asylum** Q&A with director Eva Orner

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6:30 Dinner Break

7:30 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS Making Lives Invisible: Managing Refugees Outside the West**

Romola Sanyal ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN URBAN GEOGRAPHY, LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS

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THURSDAY / JEUDI

8:30 Registration & Coffee / Inscription et rafraîchissements

9:00	10 National Responses to Global Displacement MAC D103	Technologies of Mobility MAC D110	Lessons from the Past & Present for the Future MAC D114
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10:30 Morning Break / Pause santé

11:00 **PLENARY SESSION Plenary on Multi-Lateral Organizations**

DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]

12:30 **Official Closing / Clôture officielle**

DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]

PUBLIC KEYNOTES

We Must Now Speak Environment, Economy, Foreign Policy, Health and Human Rights in the Same Breath



Sheila Watt-Cloutier

ENVIRONMENTAL, CULTURAL AND
HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCATE

15 May at 7:30pm
David Lam Auditorium
University of Victoria

Nobel Peace Prize nominee, Sheila Watt-Cloutier is an Officer of the Order of Canada; the recipient of the Aboriginal Achievement Award; the UN Champion of the Earth Award; the Norwegian Sophie Prize; and the Right Livelihood Award. In 2010, she was awarded an honorary doctorate of laws by UVic.

Watt-Cloutier is the author of the memoir, *The Right to Be Cold: One Woman's Story of Protecting Her Culture, the Arctic and the Whole Planet*, which was nominated for the 2016 BC National Award for Canadian Non-Fiction and the Shaughnessy Cohen Prize for Political Writing.

Dying to Live



Jyoti Sanghera

CHIEF, ASIA PACIFIC SECTION, OFFICE OF THE
UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR
HUMAN RIGHTS (OHCHR) IN GENEVA

16 May at 7:30pm
David Lam Auditorium
University of Victoria

Dr. Jyoti Sanghera has been with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights for over a decade. She has also worked with UNICEF and with UNDP. Sanghera has worked in conflict and post-conflict situations, including

projects with key NGOs in North America and Asia. She taught in the Department of Gender Studies at the University of Victoria and holds a PhD from the University of California, Berkeley.

Making Lives Invisible: Managing Refugees Outside the West



Romola Sanyal

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN URBAN GEOGRAPHY,
LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS

17 May at 7:30pm
David Lam Auditorium
University of Victoria

Dr. Romola Sanyal is interested in forced migration, urbanization and urban politics in the Global South. She is the co-editor of *Urbanizing Citizenship: Contested Spaces in Indian Cities* with Dr. Renu Desai (Sage, India) and *Displacement: Global Conversations*

on Refuge with Dr. Silvia Pasquetti (forthcoming from Manchester University Press). She is currently completing a collaborative project on the policy mobilities, urban politics and the Syrian refugee crisis in Lebanon with the American University Beirut.

SPECIAL EVENTS

MOVIE

Chasing Asylum

Q&A with Director Eva Orner to follow
17 May, 4:30 – 6:30pm
David Lam Auditorium, MacLaurin Building

Chasing Asylum exposes the real impact of Australia's offshore detention policies and explores how 'The Lucky Country' became a nation where leaders choose detention over compassion and governments deprive the desperate of their basic human rights. The film features never before seen footage from inside Australia's offshore detention camps, revealing the personal impact of sending those in search of a safe home to languish in limbo. *Chasing Asylum* explores the mental, physical and fiscal consequences of Australia's decision to lock away families in unsanitary conditions hidden from media scrutiny, destroying their lives under the pretext of saving them.



Chasing Asylum filmmaker Eva Orner on location, photo by Iqbal Ahmad Oruzgani

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Pacific Stream

Community Narratives of Climate Change

Hosted by Pacific Peoples Partnership
16 May, 4:30pm
David Lam Auditorium, MacLaurin Building

Community Narratives of Climate Change is an interactive panel featuring the voices of South Pacific Islanders on the relationships between climate change, community displacement and Indigenous knowledge. With Pacific Islanders widely portrayed as the first climate refugees, our panelists will unpack the disconnect between community-based and global narratives of climate change, and how the climate refugee narrative interacts with Indigenous identities and histories of Pacific Islanders. The panel will be an educational and participatory experience, live broadcast as part of our Pacific Stream series to communities across the South Pacific. Audience members will have the opportunity to ask questions. Panelists include Selwyn Toa (Vanuatu), Eugene Lee (Borneo) and Mikaele Maiava (Samoa). We thank Kirk Schwartz from MediaNet for technical support.



ART EXHIBIT

North Korean Refugee Art: Yeomyung School in Seoul, South Korea

Curator Dr. Shin Ji Kang
James Madison University
15–18 May
MacLaurin Building

Artworks created by North Korean refugee students as a part of art therapy at Yeomyung School in Seoul, South Korea. This school was founded in 2004 to address specific needs and challenges of North Korean refugee youths resettled in South Korea. The background stories are narrated by the art teacher Ms. Duk-Ae Yoon, based on her interactions with each student. Many students at Yeomyung first migrated to China, crossing rivers and borders for economic opportunities. This is the time when students were exposed to and learned about other lives that they had never imagined before.



PHOTO EXHIBIT

Double Jeopardy in Forced Migration Humanitarian Consequences and Responses

Presented by Médecins Sans Frontières

15–18 May

MacLaurin Building

Many people in flight today face a double jeopardy—they try to flee war and violence but confront horrific conditions on the escape routes they are forced to take because there are no safe and legal routes for seeking asylum. With stories from three regions around the world where MSF works with refugees/migrants caught in the cycle of violence caused by warfare, border walls and hardened policies, we hope to demonstrate the reality and the humanity of people fleeing for their lives in search of safety and dignity.



Double Jeopardy on the Mediterranean Sea — April 4, 2017 — Connie & Baba are Ghanaian. In Libya they were kidnapped, enduring violence and abuse every day for several weeks. Today they reached safety. Since 2015, MSF has been running search and rescue operations in the Mediterranean Sea, in response to a humanitarian crisis that saw more than 4,000 people perish last year alone while trying to reach safety in Europe and flee conflict, disaster and turmoil in their home countries. Photo: Albert Masias/MSF

DISPLAY

Canadian Red Cross Mobile Disaster Unit

15–16 May

Outside MacLaurin Building

It may only look like a truck and trailer, but what is inside a new Canadian Red Cross mobile unit can significantly help a community in a time of need. The idea for the units, which can also double as command posts, began about two years ago when the organization decided more preparation — and the capacity to prepare for a disaster — was required.

The trailer holds 200 cots that can be set up in a recreation centre, school or other facility. “We are looking at a major disaster . . . as long as the roads and bridges are still in place, we can go there. The truck and trailer were purposely bought to meet the worst possible catastrophic situation.” The mobile units, built on the Lower Mainland, cost about \$125,000 each, and can fit about three to four people in the unit that sits on the truck. They are fully insulated, and offer three sources of power — battery, 110V or solar — for a team to register clients on laptops with USB connections, which can be set up inside. The entire truck acts as a wifi



hotspot to monitor social media, and on the exterior there is a cell phone charging station for anyone to use. It also has energy efficient light inside, and flood lighting on the outside for nighttime use.

Our goal was for (the unit) to be comfortable and efficient. We had to think: ‘what will be available to (people) immediately after a disaster?’ This can morph into an actual shelter.



MONDAY / LUNDI

1 CONCURRENT SESSIONS & WORKSHOPS 1:00 – 2:30 PM

The Politics of Displacement

MAC D107

Chair: Victor V. Ramraj UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

David Bock UNIVERSITY OF BRADFORD/CANADA — *The Impact of Refugees in Gambella on the Ethiopian Ethnic Federalist Project*

Nivedita Das Kundu YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Forced Migration by Women Workers in India and Central Asia: Vulnerabilities & Responsibilities*

Laxman Lamichhane ADVOCATE/HUMAN RIGHTS LAWYER/ NEPAL — *Being Non-Political in The Age of Politics: Issues of Tibetan Refugees in Nepal*

William Worster UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM/NETHERLANDS — *The Current Status in Customary International Law of Prohibition on Statelessness*

Indigenous Displacement & Responses

MAC D110

Chair: Pawa Haiyupis PACIFIC PEOPLES PARTNERSHIP/ CANADA

Rob Clifford UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA — *James Island: Context and Resurgence of WSÁNEĆ Law*

Mohammad Hasan YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Indigenous Displacement and Environmental Justice*

Darcy Lindberg UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA — *Buffalo Trails and Medicine Lines: Plains Cree Enclosures and Re-emerging Pathways*

Sheethal Padathu Veettil UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN/ CANADA — *Colonialism and Its Impact on the Tribal Population in India: A History of Alienation*

Graduate Student Workshop

MAC D111

Chair: Jona Zyfi UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO/CANADA

While providing access to many learning opportunities and engaging experiences, university life can also present a lot of frustrating roadblocks and overwhelming pressures. Indeed, mental illness often strikes individuals during the years that they attend university. As a result, many students manage issues related to their mental health and well-being on a daily basis. The stigma surrounding mental health can make it difficult to ask for help however, early identification and treatment can help make a major difference in the lives of those affected. It is also recognized that

graduate students face unique challenges as they are often required to find the delicate balance between life as a graduate student and working with vulnerable populations such as migrants or asylum seekers. Join us for a skill-sharing and interactive discussion related to mental health and well-being. We will also be sharing a range of resources and start working towards the More Feet on the Ground mental health training certificate.

Gendered Health & Familial Relations

MAC D114

Chair: Jo-Anne Lee UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

Hande Arpat Hacettepe UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S RESEARCH AND IMPLEMENTATION CENTRE/TURKEY — *Providing Safe Space for Women and Girls and Women Health Counseling Units for Refugees: An Experience from Turkey*

Bhutila Karpoche RYERSON UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Tuberculosis in the Tibetan Community of Canada: Understanding the Social Determinants of Health*

Petra Molnar & Deepa Mattoo BARBRA SCHLIFER COMMEMORATIVE CLINIC/CANADA — *Protecting Women: Culture-Based Reasoning and Forced Marriages in Canada*

2 CONCURRENT SESSIONS & WORKSHOPS 3:00 – 4:30 PM

Access to Justice in Canada's Asylum

System: Insights from the University of Ottawa Refugee Assistance Project

MAC D105

Jennifer Bond, David Wiseman & Peter Showler UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA/CANADA

Not Counted as Refugees:

Internally Displaced Persons

MAC D110

Chair: Deniz Unsal UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

Brenda Polar YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Collaboration of Quechua Immigrants in Decolonization Projects within Canada*

Kashmala Qasim YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *The Role of Religion in Coping with Financial Threat in Muslim Syrian Refugees Resettling in Canada*

Samuel Umoh UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL/SOUTH AFRICA — *Legislation and Institutional Response to Internally Displaced Persons in Nigeria*

CAREMS Student Essay Contest

MAC D111

Chair: Morgan Poteet MOUNT ALLISON UNIVERSITY/ CANADA

Sanda Ajzerle CARLETON UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *The Source of Migrant Information: The Myth of the IOM's Information Campaigns and an Examination of Migrant Decision-Making Processes*

Mohamad Ayoub UNIVERSITY OF WINDSOR/CANADA — *Somali Refugee Students in Canadian Schools: Postmigration Experiences*

Emma Bider CARLETON UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Sounding the World Imagining Ontologies as Mobile Through Sound and Song*

Tania Dargy RYERSON UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Family Reunification in Canada: Towards Authentic Humanitarianism*

Access to Services in Refugee Settlement: Gender Dimensions

MAC D114

Chair: Laura Parisi UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

Wendy Chan SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Where Do Immigrant and Refugee Women Go For Support? Domestic Abuse and Access to Service Provisions in BC*

Manivillie Kanagasabapathy ATHIPAR CONSULTING/CANADA
— *The Shackles of the Promised Land: Immigrant Women's Access to Support in Cases of Domestic Violence*

Lindsay Larios CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Near and Far, with Heart and Hands: Care in Refugee Policy and Settlement*

Anne Marshall & Tricia Roche UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/
CANADA — *Refugee Youth: Good Practices in Urban Resettlement Contexts*

RECEPTION 6 – 7 PM

Welcome Reception / Réception

FIRST PEOPLES HOUSE

All registered attendees of the CARFMS17 Conference are welcome to attend. Light drinks and food will be available

PUBLIC EVENT 7:30 – 9 PM

Inaugural Conference Keynote / Conférence inaugurale

DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]

We Must Now Speak Environment, Economy, Foreign Policy, Health and Human Rights in the Same Breath

Sheila Watt-Cloutier

ENVIRONMENTAL, CULTURAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCATE

Chair: Oliver Schmidtke UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

In this truly globe-spanning keynote presentation, Sheila Watt-Cloutier provides a clear, meaningful, and comprehensive understanding of the way these issues are interconnected, and what it means for the future of our planet.

With a focus on solutions, Watt-Cloutier brings the realities of the Arctic—where Inuit today face profound challenges to their environment, economy, health and cultural well-being—to light. The challenges they face are clearly connected to the industries we support, the

disposable world we have become, and the non-sustaining policies we create. Because her Inuit culture faces the most extreme challenges of globalization, Watt-Cloutier speaks from firsthand experience, and couples that with her extensive experiences as a global leader.

Drawing upon her ancient culture, and speaking from a position of strength, not victimhood, she helps audiences find common ground. Her Arctic voice—not as far away as we might imagine—enlightens and inspires. With inclusive good will, it bridges some extremely divided gaps around the world.

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TUESDAY / MARDI

PLENARY

8:30 – 10:45 AM

DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]

Opening Remarks

Donald Galloway PROFESSOR, UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA & PAST CARFMS PRESIDENT/CANADA

Michaela Hynie ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, YORK UNIVERSITY & CARFMS PRESIDENT/CANADA

Morgan Poteet ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, MOUNT ALLISON UNIVERSITY & CARFMS DIRECTOR AT LARGE/CANADA

Announcement of the CARFMS Student Essay winners and conference welcome

Special Plenary Session on Civil Society

Chair: Sabine Lehr INTER-CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF GREATER VICTORIA, CANADA

Ibrahim Absiye EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CULTURELINK SETTLEMENT SERVICES/CANADA

Mack Hardy CHIEF TECHNOLOGY GEEK OF PEACEGEEKS

Jean McRae CEO OF INTER-CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF GREATER VICTORIA, CANADA

Loly Rico CO-DIRECTOR OF FCJ REFUGEE CENTRE/CANADA

3 CONCURRENT SESSIONS & WORKSHOPS

11:00 – 12:30 PM

Space, Identity and Resilience

MAC D103

Chair: Leslie Butt UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

Adnan Al Mhamied MCGILL UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Syrian Children in The Jordanian Labour Market*

Bethany Hastie UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA/CANADA — *Movement Without Mobility? The Labour Migration Paradox*

Kip Jorgensen & Jessica Ball UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA — *Forced Migrant Youth from Myanmar in Thailand: Identity Narratives and Future Aspirations*

Anu Krishna SS SOUTH ASIAN UNIVERSITY/INDIA — *The UN Mediation in the Armed Conflict of Nepal and El Salvador: A Cross Regional Comparative Perspective Study*

Forgotten Crises, Forgotten Narratives

MAC D105

Chair: Greg Kipling IMMIGRATION REFUGEE BOARD OF CANADA/CANADA

Yukari Ando OSAKA UNIVERSITY/JAPAN — *Deportation Procedure Is Not Guaranteed Before The Law*

Nicolas Leistenschneider UNIVERSITE DE MONTRÉAL/CANADA — *Chile: From to South to South*

Chie Komai MILESTONE LAW/JAPAN — *Immigration Detainees Are Not Guaranteed Before the Law*

Anaël Tchoufian MCGILL UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *The Closure of the Balkan Road: A Silent Drama?*

Internal Displacement in Nigeria

MAC D107

Chair: Scott Watson UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

Samuel Obadiah UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH AFRICA/NIGERIA — *The Boko Haram Insurgency and Population Displacement: the North Eastern Nigeria Experience*

Oladapo Opasina CENTRE FOR REFUGEE STUDIES YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *New Dimensions to Security and Migration in Insurgency-affected Areas of Nigeria*

Elizabeth Oyewo Adetola & Makinde Isaac UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL/SOUTH AFRICA — *Flee from Insurgence and Survival: Where Are They Now? IDP Persons in Nigeria*

Managing Migrants: Controlling Borders and Other Spaces

MAC D109

Chair: Annalee Lepp UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

Kate Dearden INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION/GERMANY — *Forgotten Travellers, Forgotten Deaths: Tracking Deaths of Irregular Migrants in North Africa*

Noha Hussein CAIRO UNIVERSITY/EGYPT — *The Residential Mobility of Syrian Refugees in Greater Cairo, Egypt*

Christophe Mafuta Ngombo ONG LEGISCONGO OFFICE/CONGO — *De WALIKALE à GOMA: Des cris silencieux sous les tentes*

Corey Robinson YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Managing Irregular Migration Beyond the Border: the Global Assistance for Irregular Migrants Program*

Border Spaces

MAC D110

Chair: Julia Morris UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD/UK

Idil Atak RYERSON UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *The Criminalization of Asylum Seekers in Canada: Unintended Policy and Human Rights Consequences*

Faton Tony Bilslimi AMERICAN UNIVERSITY/KOSOVO & **Sherif R. Sherif** ATTORNEY-AT-LAW/KOSOVO — *Humanitarian Intervention in Kosovo: How a Refugee Crisis Brought About Nato's First War and Showed the Importance of Canada as an International Actor*

Stephanie Silverman UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO/CANADA & **Petra Molnar** BARBRA SCHLIFER COMMEMORATIVE CLINIC/CANADA — *Nuancing the Crimmigration Orthodoxy: Reflections from North America*

Common Marginalisations: Governing Migrants and Subaltern Populations

MAC D111

Chair: Prem Kumar Rajaram CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY/HUNGARY

Davina Bhandar SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Colonial Returns: Borders, Status and Dispossession*

Su Hyeon Cho INDEPENDENT/TURKEY — *Refugee in Global Assemblages: Syrians in South Korea*

Sara Swerdlyk CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY/HUNGARY — *The Making of the Romani Refugee: A Social History of Hungarian Romani Citizenship*

The Canada-US Safe Third Country Agreement in an Age of Trump

MAC D114

Deborah Anker HARVARD LAW SCHOOL/USA

Efrat Arbel UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA/CANADA

Peter Showler UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA/CANADA

LUNCH & AGM 12:30 – 1:00 PM

CARFMS Annual General Meeting / Assemblée générale annuelle de l'ACERMF

MAC D109

4 CONCURRENT SESSIONS & WORKSHOPS 1:00 – 2:30 PM

Materialities of Displacement

MAC D103

Chair: Sabine Lehr INTER-CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF GREATER VICTORIA/CANADA

Cristiano d'Orsi UNIVERSITY OF JOHANNESBURG/SOUTH AFRICA — *'We Cannot Manage This Plight Alone, Anymore': Analyzing the Kenyan Threats to Forcibly Repatriate All Somalia Refugees Shortly*

Monika Mayrhofer LUDWIG BOLTZMANN INSTITUTE OF HUMAN RIGHTS/AUSTRIA — *Protesting Against the Displacement of the Ngabe in Panama*

Yin Nyein NETWORK ADVOCACY GROUP/MYANMAR — *Strengthening Environmental, Social and Economic Dimensions of Kyar Phoeng Fishery*

Rahul Rajak INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR POPULATIONS STUDIES/INDIA — *Urban Development-Induced Displacement and Rehabilitation: A Study of Navi Mumbai International Airport Project, India*

Refugee Protection and Law

MAC D107

Chair: Karen Michnick IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE BOARD OF CANADA/CANADA

Martin Jones UNIVERSITY OF YORK/UK — *The Frontier of Refugee Law: Developing a Broader Law of Asylum*

Laura Madrid Sartoretto UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DO RIO GRANDE DO SOL/BRAZIL — *Decolonizing International Refugee Law: A View From The Margins*

Siobhan Yorgun UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA/CANADA — *Western Hosts and Southern Ghosts: The Consequences of Western Bias in Refugee Law Scholarships*

Migration and Refugee Performances

MAC D110

Chair: Jay Ramasubramanyam UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA/CANADA

Taiwo Afolabi UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA — *Theatre in Forgotten Corridors: Breaking Down the Fence for Internal Displacement Advocacy*

Alison Phipps UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW/UK — *Dancing Under Duress: The Arts of Researching Multilingually in Contexts of Pain and Pressure*

Geraldine Pratt UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA/CANADA — *A Travelling Script: Filipino Migration and Performance*

Interrogating Refugee and Migration Discourses

MAC D114

Chair: Helen Lansdowne UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

Danièle Bélanger UNIVERSITE LAVAL/CANADA — *Syrian Refugees and Host Communities in Turkey: Expanding the Notion of 'Precariousness'*

Jennifer Hyndman YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Off the Grid: Refugees Living in Extended Exile*

Anne McNevin NEW SCHOOL/USA — *Learning to Live With Irregular Migration: Towards a More Ambitious Debate of the Politics of 'The Problem'*

Patricia Palulis UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA/CANADA — *Moment(um)s of Engagement as Transformative Encounters: On Becoming an Activist in the Nation's Capital*

5 CONCURRENT SESSIONS & WORKSHOPS 3:00 – 4:30 PM

Identity, Vulnerability, and Integration in the Canadian Context

MAC D103

Chair: Preeti Adhopia IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE BOARD OF CANADA/CANADA

Mohammad Azizur Rahman UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA/CANADA — *Refugee Integration in Canada*

Kirby Huminuik UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA/CANADA — *'Vulnerability' in Canada's Refugee Determination System: The Forgotten Guideline*

William Mansfield ALBERTA ASSOCIATION OF IMMIGRANT SERVING AGENCIES/CANADA — *Engaging Anti-Racism and Anti-Islamophobia Advocates to Bridge Knowledge and Share Praxis in Alberta*

Chantel Spade RYERSON UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Failures of the Canadian Migration System: Precarious Migrants Deemed Suitable Residents of 'Death-Worlds'*

WORKSHOP

Aliens Go Home: A Close Encounter with an (Almost) Forgotten Incident

MAC D105

Idalid Diaz Posada VICTORIA IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE CENTRE SOCIETY/CANADA

Peter Golden VICTORIA COALITION FOR SURVIVORS OF TORTURE/ CANADA

Sabine Lehr INTER-CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF GREATER VICTORIA/ CANADA

Refugee Protection and Agency

MAC D107

Sharmarke Dubow INTER-CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF GREATER-VICTORIA/CANADA — *Equity in Resettlement: Questioning Equity of Protection of Refugee Settlement*sasha kovalchuk MCMASTER UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Revealing Invisible Global Migrant Classes – Reading Remittances as Capital Flows*Michele Manocchi CENTRE FOR RESEARCH ON MIGRATION/ CANADA — *Against Agency: Myths and Dangerous Consequences in the Current Use of This Concept*

sofija vrbaski UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA —

*At the Gates of the European Union: Working with Refugees in a Passage Country***Whose Responsibility?****Shifting the Refugee Burden**

MAC D110

Chair: Scott Watson UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADADerick Abrigu SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY/USA — *El caso de los desechables (The Disposable Ones): Exposing the Socio-legal Realities of Three Migrant Populations Trapped Along Mexico's Northern Border*Prem Kumar Rajaram CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY/ HUNGARY — *Refugees as Surplus Populations*Manuel Salamanca Cardona MCGILL UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Temp Agencies as the Pathway to Employment for Asylum Seekers and Refused Refugees: Implications for Social and Labour Rights***Managing the Refugee System**

MAC D111

Chair: Andrew Marton UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADANafees Ahmad SOUTH ASIAN UNIVERSITY/INDIA — *International Refugee Protection Framework: More Balanced, Less Diversified*Karin Michnick IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE BOARD OF CANADA/ CANADA — *IRB responses to Intake and Workload Challenges*Jeewon Min IOM MIGRATION RESEARCH & TRAINING CENTRE/SOUTH KOREA — *Bridging Internal Borders of North Korea: Illegal Exit as a Legal Ground for Refugee Status*Zarghoona Wakil MOSAIC BC/CANADA — *Refugee Vulnerabilities as They Settle in Canada***The Aesthetic of Refugee Representation in Canadian Cultural Production**

MAC D114

Carrie Dawson DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *'Treaty to Tell the Truth': The Anti-Confessional Impulse in Canadian Refugee Writing*Erin Goheen Glanville SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Transforming a Clichéd Story: Meaning-making through Humour and Satire in Lawrence Hill's The Illegal*Brittany Kraus DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Telling Better Stories in Michael Helm's Cities of Refuge***6 CONCURRENT SESSIONS & WORKSHOPS**
4:30 – 6:00 PM

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Pacific Stream

Community Narratives of Climate Change

MAC D115

Hosted by Pacific People Partnership

Chair: Eli Enns UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

Eugene Lee UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/BORNEO

Mikaele Maiava SAMOA

Selwyn Toa UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND/VANUATU

Community Narratives of Climate Change is an interactive panel featuring the voices of South Pacific Islanders on the relationships between climate change, community displacement and Indigenous knowledge.

Join the discussion with the experts as they are streamed live from the South Pacific.

PACIFIC PEOPLES
PARTNERSHIP**Educational Attainment Among Refugees**

MAC D105

Chair: CindyAnn Rose-Redwood UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/ CANADAAida Afzrah YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Spirit and Body, Heart and Soul: Exploring Student Narratives Through Higher Education in Exile*Kip Jorgensen, Jessica Ball & Raviv Litman UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA — *Migrant-led Learning Centres in Thailand and Informal Economies of Support*Ishrat Sultana YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *The Social Relations and Networks on Rohingya Refugees' Education Attainment*Paradee Thoresen CURTIN UNIVERSITY/AUSTRALIA — *The Needs of Refugee and Asylum-seeking Children in Thailand*

WORKSHOP

An Interdisciplinary Conversation on the Urban Challenges of Climate Migrants

MAC D107

George Benson, Cristyn Edwards & Anna Zhuo UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA/CANADA

Displacement, Detention and Asylum

MAC D110

Chair: Stephanie Stobbe MENNO SIMONS COLLEGE/CANADAJulia Morris UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD/UK — *Cursed Resources: The Politics of Offshore Refugee Extraction in the Republic of Nauru*Karen Culcasi WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY/USA — *Displacement in Jordan: The Varied Experiences for Syrian and Palestinian Refugees in Jordan*Shaina Singh RYERSON UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *The Link Between Discourse and Detention Practices: The MV Sun Sea Case*Stephanie Silverman UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO/CANADA — *Resistance to Immigration Detention and 'Alternative to Detention' Programs*Vanessa C. Wachuku RYERSON UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Punctuating the Policy Window with Focusing Events: The Evolution of Immigration Detention Policy in Canada*

WORKSHOP

Ethical Guidelines of Research with Refugees

MAC D111

Christina Clark-Kazak YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA**John Dubé** MOSAIC BC & CANADIAN COUNCIL FOR REFUGEES/
CANADA**Michaela Hynie** YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA**The Refugee Crisis: Challenges, Solutions and Reforms**

MAC D114

Chair: Idil Atak Ryerson University/Canada**Amanda Cellini** PEACE RESEARCH INSTITUTE/NORWAY — *The Search for Creativity in Response to Crisis: Moving Beyond Durable Solutions***Amrita Hari** CARLTON UNIVERSITY/CANADA & **Jamie Liew**UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA/CANADA — *Ottawa Directions on Precarious Status in Canada: Setting an Agenda for Future Policy Reform***Shivani Sharma** JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY/INDIA — *Comprehensive Engagement: Challenges of Immigration Control and Refugee Protection***Alizee Zapparoli-Bodson** UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO/CANADA — *Engineering the Refugee Crisis: Governmentally Through Humanitarianism in the Evolving Context of Turkey*

PUBLIC EVENT

7:30 – 9 PM

Keynote Address

DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]

Dying to Live**Jyoti Sanghera**CHIEF, ASIA PACIFIC SECTION, OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH
COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS (OHCHR) IN GENEVA**Chair: Annalee Lepp** UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

Dispossession, eviction and precarity are the leitmotif of neoliberalism. How is the global migrant the chosen protagonist today for showcasing this leitmotif through spectacular suffering? How is the embodied experience of dispossession and perishability to be understood? Where does agency and subjectivity reside when lives are rendered disposable and the fateful struggle to live could literally mean dying? Has history done a full circle with markets today trading in enslaved migrants or are we in the throes of a 'hyperobject' - something beyond our ken? How does the migrant speak to create counter discourses against modernity and a counter allegorical episteme? What is the value if any, of definitionally dismembering people who move into categories of refugees, smuggled, trafficked, economic migrants, etc? Whose interest does it serve to construct a hierarchy of migrants along a ladder of the more deserving and the less deserving?

The keynote presentation will focus on these and other questions to grapple with the current state of play regarding the several frames which trap the lives of migrants, globally. It will examine the legal and policy gaps in the context of large and mixed movements of people in vulnerable situations and discuss how walls, fences, and incarceration are deployed as tools of governance and legality in response to the "migration crises." The presentation will also reflect on the meaning of a rights based perspective to migration whilst recognising that the 'other' is included invariably through the lens of a liberal imaginary within this discourse and the 'other' or the native subject is always the lesser human or the sub human to be either saved or warehoused and obliterated.

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Images from *40 Moments: Chinese Young Feminist Action*, a photography exhibition hosted by the Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives (7 – 18 April 2017) in support of the En-gendering Social Transformation in China: Gender Dynamics, Women's Rights and Feminist Activism symposium.

WEDNESDAY / MERCREDI

7 CONCURRENT SESSIONS & WORKSHOPS
9:00 – 10:30 AM**Negotiating Migration**

MAC D103

Chair: Peter Maidstone UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA**Vibeke Andersson** AALBORG UNIVERSITY COPENHAGEN/DENMARK — *Unaccompanied Minors and Danish Asylum Procedures: A Discussion for the Nexus of Protection of Children and Protection of Well-Fare State***Hoimonti Barua** JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY/INDIA — *Marginalized Beyond the Margin: The Indigenous People of Cittagong Hill Tracts of Bangladesh***Ranjith Kulatilake** ACCESS ALLIANCE MULTICULTURAL HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES/CANADA — *LGBTQ+ Asylum Seekers and Healthcare: Insights From The Frontline***Georgette Morris** YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Jamaican Canadian Experience Live-in Caregiver Program 1973***The Local Imperative of Settlement Success**

MAC D107

Chair: Victor V. Ramraj UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA**Bharath Kumar Kotta** RELIANCE FOUNDATION/INDIA — *Impact of Social Connections and Network on Intention to Return: a Study of Sri Lankan Tamil Refugees in India***William Netherland** UNIVERSITAT AUTONOMA DE BARCELONA/SPAIN — *Catalonia and the 'Culture of Welcome' Grassroots Approaches to Refugee Integration***Anna Vogt** MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE/COLUMBIA — *Migration and Solidarity: Civil Society and Border Dynamics along the Mexico/Guatemala Border***Securitization of Migration and Asylum in Canada: An Analysis of Policy Consequences and Human Rights Impact**

MAC D109

Chair: Stephanie J. Silverman UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO/CANADA**Idil Atak** RYERSON UNIVERSITY/CANADA**Graham Hudson** RYERSON UNIVERSITY/CANADA**Delphine Nakache** UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA/CANADA**Border Rights and Controls**

MAC D110

Chair: Judith Gleeson UPPER TRIBUNAL/UK**Efrat Arbel** UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA/CANADA**& Benjamin Goold** UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA/CANADA — *Finding a Place for Rights at the Canada-US Border***Bronson Ha** UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION IN CANADA/CANADA & **Jason Allan Kowal** ROYAL ROADS UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Caught between a Snake and a Crocodile***Shauna Labman** UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA/CANADA — *Routes to Recognition***Julie Young** MCMASTER UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Mapping the Mexican Visa Requirement: A Distinctly Canadian Approach to Refugee Deterrence?***Precarious Subject: Who is the Migrant?**

MAC D114

Chair: Leslie Butt UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA**Katya Yefimova** UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON/USA — *Al Asool at UNHCR Za'tari Camp: An Asset-Based Field Study of People, Place and Time***Matt Husain** UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA/CANADA — *Migration Through the Mediterranean: A Qualitative Case Study of Precarious Emigration from Bangladesh and Beyond***Oluwafemi Adeagbo** UNIVERSITY OF WITWATERSRAND/SOUTH AFRICA — *'We Too Are the Earth': Everyday Social Justice for African Gay Migrants*8 CONCURRENT SESSIONS & WORKSHOPS
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM**Creating and Belonging**

MAC D103

Chair: Guoquan Wu UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA**Mohita Bhatia** STANFORD UNIVERSITY/USA & **Reeta Chowdhari Tremblay** UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA — *Refugees in Conflict Zones, Religious Markers and India's Citizenship Laws***Michael Gordon** MCMASTER UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Border Spectacle and the Construction of 'Illegality': Borders, Irregularity and the Humanitarian-Security Nexus***James Pangilinan** UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA/CANADA — *Staging Filipino Hospitality: Distance Scripts in Filipino Governance of Displacement***Sreekumar Panicker Kodyiyath** UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA/CANADA — *Stifled Narratives: The Post Conflict Sri Lankan Tamils of India and Sri Lanka***Civil Society and the 'Migrant'**

MAC D105

Chair: Greg Blue UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA**Kabir Abdulkareem** UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL/SOUTH AFRICA — *Liberian Refugees in Oru Camp, Nigeria: the Administration, the Host Community and the Humanitarian Assistance: a Historical Nexus***Jeffrey Bingley** UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE/CANADA — *Community Filmmaking for Refugee Integration: A Case for Story Bridging***Fikre Tsehai** CANADIAN LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF/CANADA — *The Genesis of the Refugee Problem in Africa***Jona Zyfi** UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO/CANADA — *Safe for Some, Not for Others: Europe's Influence on Canada's Refugee Policy***Impacts of Policy for the Refugee**

MAC D107

Chair: Deborah Morrish IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE BOARD OF CANADA/CANADA**Linda Adhiambo Oucho** AFRICAN MIGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT/KENYA — *Building Bridges Instead of Fences: Refugee Politics in Kenya***Anna Purkey** ST. JEROME'S UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Legal Empowerment for a Just Return: Refugees, Transformative Justice and the End of Conflict***Wenjuan Qiu** XIAMEN UNIVERSITY/CHINA — *Burmese Refugees in China: Impact, Policy, Outlook***Neil James Wilson** CITY UNIVERSITY OF LONDON/UK — *Justifying What We Were Already Doing: Global Policy, Local Practice and Urban Refugees in Nairobi, Kenya*

Limiting Access to Asylum in Canada on Criminal Grounds

MAC D109

Chair: Nancy Weisman IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE BOARD OF CANADA/CANADA

Judith Gleeson UPPER TRIBUNAL, IMMIGRATION AND ASYLUM CHAMBER/UK

Joseph Rikhof UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA/CANADA

The Perils of Displacement

MAC D110

Chair: Matt Fuller UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

Gayathiri A.S. JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY/INDIA — *Scattered in the Winds of Development: Experiences of Tribal Women in India*

Mateja Celestina RESEARCH ASSOCIATE/UK — *Struggles for Territory, Struggles for Place: Development-Forced Displacement and Resettlement of the Mapuche-Pehuenche, Chile*

Bharath Kumar Kotta RELIANCE FOUNDATION/INDIA — *Rural Transformation Initiative for the Resettlement of Tiger Reserve Displacees: A Case Study From India*

Andrés Sandoval Sarrias UNIVERSITY JAVERIANA-CALI/COLOMBIA — *Forced Displacement in Colombia: Obstacles to Safe Resettlement Through The Framework of The Land Restitution Program*

Politics of Mobility

MAC D114

Chair: Helen Lansdowne UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

Bolu Coker CITIZENS FOR PUBLIC JUSTICE/CANADA — *Proceeding with Hope, Retreating in Fear: the Dinghy as Doubly Representative in Eritrean Refugees' Experiences at Sea*

Madhusmita Jena JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY/INDIA — *Politics of Disguised Hierarchy*

Heather Johnson QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY BELFAST/UK — *Stillness and Presence: Beyond Mobility?*

Stephanie Stobbe MENNO SIMONS COLLEGE/CANADA — *Enroute to Resettlement: Detention Centres and Refugee Camps*

LUNCH

12:30 – 1:00 PM

CARFMS Student Caucus

MAC D109

PLENARY

1:00 – 2:30 PM

Recent Developments in Canadian Refugee Law

DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]

Chair: Donald Galloway UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Peter Edelman LAWYER, EDELMANN & CO LAW OFFICES

Jamie Liew PROFESSOR, FACULTY OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA

Lobat Sadrehashemi REFUGEE AND IMMIGRATION LAWYER, EMBARKATION LAW CORPORATION

9 CONCURRENT SESSIONS & WORKSHOPS

3:00 – 4:30 PM

Human Trafficking in Eastern Ethiopia:

Navigating the Causes, Nature and Routes

MAC D105

Buzuayew Hailu, Bisrat Kassahun, Habtamu Atlaw & TingrtuG/tsadiq JIGJIGA UNIVERSITY/ETHIOPIA

Moralizing Controls and Regulations

MAC D107

Chair: Idil Atak RYERSON UNIVERSITY/CANADA

Romola Adeola MCGILL UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *The African Free Movement Regime: A Critique*

Gayathiri A.S. JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY/INDIA — *Forgotten Kin: A Study on the Status of Sri Lankan Refugees in India*

Cary Wu UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA/CANADA — *Are Immigrants Really More Trusting? Point System, Power and Generalized Trust*

Peng Zhu JINAN UNIVERSITY/CHINA — *The Process and Trend of Cross-border Migration of Tibetan Exiles*

Refugees, Resettlement, and the Canadian Immigration System

MAC D110

Chair: Sabine Lehr INTER-CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF GREATER VICTORIA/CANADA

Jamie Liew UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA/CANADA — *Troubling Trends in Canada's Immigration System via the Excluded Family Member Regulation: A Survey of Jurisprudences and Lawyers*

Christine Nabukeera YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Bridging Knowledge Paradigms: A Feminist Dialogic Encounter with Refugee Women*

Pierre-André Thériault YORK UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Quality of Decision-Making and Access to Judicial Review in Canada's Refugee Resettlement Program*

Carla Valle Painter IMMIGRATION, REFUGEES AND CITIZENSHIP CANADA/CANADA — *Comparative Perspective on Former Refugees' Pathways in Canada*

Imagining the Refugee

MAC D114

Chair: Martin Bunton UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA

Carrie Dawson DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *(Refugees) Take (Refugee) Photos*

Shin Ji Kang JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY/USA — *The Postcolonial Reflection on the Christian Mission: The Case of North Korean Refugees in China and South Korea*

Morgan Poteet MOUNT ALLISON UNIVERSITY/CANADA

& Andrea Terry LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY/CANADA —

Step into the Past: Institutionalizing Issues of Immigration at Pier 21 in Halifax, Nova Scotia

Nurgul Rodriguez UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY/CANADA — *Becoming Words*

PUBLIC EVENT

4:30 – 6:30 PM

Special Film Presentation

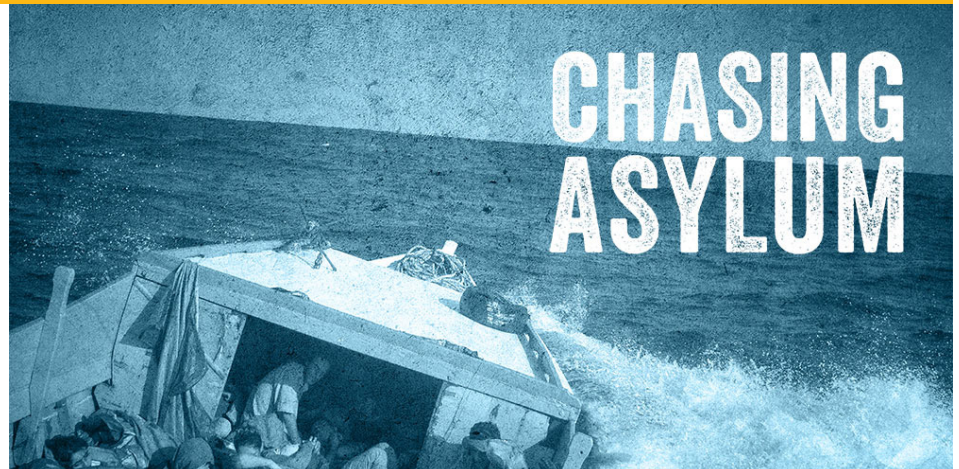
DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]

Chasing Asylum

Q&A with Director Eva Orner to follow

17 May, 4:30 – 6:30pm

Chasing Asylum exposes the real impact of Australia's offshore detention policies and explores how 'The Lucky Country' became a country where leaders choose detention over compassion and governments deprive the desperate of their basic human rights.



PUBLIC EVENT

7:30 – 9 PM

Keynote Address

DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]

Making Lives Invisible: Managing Refugees Outside the West

Romola Sanyal

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN URBAN GEOGRAPHY,
LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS.

Chair: Andrew Marton UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

The Syrian Crisis has brought into sharp focus the politics of refugee control and management particularly around the borders of Western countries. Less attention has been given to the ways in which refugee lives are regulated within non-Western contexts, even though the majority of refugees continue to reside in them. How do non-western countries, often financially strapped themselves, host thousands of guests for protracted periods of time? How do different levels of the state, from the local to the national,

mediate the relationships between hosts and guests? I look at privatized responses to the Syrian crisis in the Middle East and how that renders the lives of refugees both precarious and informal— invisibilizing the visible, enabling simultaneously the flexibility and entrapment of refugees within host countries. In doing so, I examine the emergence of the figure of the refugee at the intersection between the global and the local.

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THURSDAY / JEUDI

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CONCURRENT SESSIONS & WORKSHOPS

9:00 – 10:30 AM

National Responses to Global Displacement

MAC D103

Chair: Robyn Fila UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA**Didem Dogar** MCGILL UNIVERSITY/CANADA — *Other Dimension of Global Displacement: Turkey's Response to Asylum Seekers Who Are Suspected of Criminality***Md. A. Halim Miah** PRACTICAL ACTION/BANGLADESH — *Urdu Speaking Ethnic Group and Their Socialization Process in Bangladesh***Mohammad Golam Rabbani** UNIVERSITY OF BANGLADESH/ BANGLADESH — *Cleansing Operation on Rohingyas by Suu Kyi's Government and the Refugee Crises in Bangladesh***Marketa Seidlova** CHARLES UNIVERSITY/CZECH REPUBLIC — *Ukrainian Migrations in Europe: The Times are Changing?*

Technologies of Mobility

MAC D110

Chair: Andrew Marton UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA**Bindu Menon** DELHI UNIVERSITY/INDIA — *The Politics of Home: South Asian Women Migrants and Digital Belonging in the Gulf Council Countries***Tori Statford** DEAKIN UNIVERSITY/AUSTRALIA — *Constructing Narratives with Afghan Youth Seeking Asylum in Australia***Katya Yefimova** UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON/USA — *The Value of a Smart Phone and Things They'd Have Done Differently: Information Pitfalls and Plan for The Future of Syrian Refugees in a Berlin Camp*

Lessons from the Past and Present for the Future

MAC D114

Chair: Sudhir Nair UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA/CANADA**Nora Danielson Lanier** UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD/UK — *The Politics of Engagement in Urban Asylum***Julia Bertino Moreira** FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF ABC/BRAZIL — *Refugee Policy in Brazil: An Overview of Two Decades (1997-2017)***Phoebe Ramsay** NORTHERN GREECE VOLUNTEERS/CANADA — *From The Ground Up: The Emerging Role of Grassroots Humanitarian Action in the International Refugee Solidarity Movement in Greece***Sheila Sengupta** UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA/CANADA — *Perilous Journeys, Precarious Lives: An Epistolary Reading of the Refugee Voice in Post Partition India, 1947*

PLENARY

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Plenary on Multi-Lateral Organizations

DAVID LAM AUDITORIUM [MAC A144]

Chair: Scott Watson UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA**Carol Devine** HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS ADVISOR, MÉDECINS SANS FRONTIÈRES**Catherine Dauvergne** DEAN OF PETER ALLARD SCHOOL OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA**Jyoti Sanghera** CHIEF, ASIA PACIFIC SECTION, OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS (OHCHR) IN GENEVA

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About the Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives

The Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives (CAPI) is based at the University of Victoria (UVic). Established in 1988, CAPI is a research centre that recognizes the importance of the Asia-Pacific region to Canada and works to deepen the connection between UVic and the region.

Since its inception, CAPI has acted as a vital link between the University of Victoria and the Asia-Pacific region, providing programming and research initiatives that have brought together scholars from the Asia-Pacific region with those from UVic. Over two decades later, the Asia-Pacific region not only continues to be of importance to Canada, but has grown in its significance. We engage with institutions, civil society and leading scholars at UVic and across the world to deliver research and programming that connects academics, students and members of civil society with opportunities throughout Asia and across Canada.

Vision & Mandate

Through the continued excellence of its research and programming, CAPI will be recognized as the pre-eminent Asia-Pacific focused academic centre in North America. The Centre will engage with institutions, civil society and leading scholars at the University of Victoria and across the world to broker and facilitate meaningful relationships that will make a difference.

By providing a supportive environment for scholarly excellence and community engagement, CAPI will deepen the connection between the University of Victoria and the Asia-Pacific region. Through the work of CAPI's Chairs and programming, CAPI will be a catalyst for the creation, recognition and dissemination of knowledge concerning issues affecting the region.



Students from the Yanching Institute of Technology in Beijing visit the Tsatlip Nation at Tod Inlet to take part in an environmental education and restoration project during the China Youth Leadership Program. Photo by UVic Photo Services

Research at the Centre

CAPI is home to three research chairs, each with their own projects and areas of focus and two long-term interdisciplinary research programs. The **Migration & Mobility Program** explores the processes and impacts of the Asia-Pacific's place in global migration. The program houses two SSHRC funded research projects and publishes

an online, peer-reviewed, open-access journal: *Migration, Mobility & Displacement*.

The **Landscapes of Injustice** is a seven-year, multi-partner research project exploring the forced dispossession of Japanese Canadians during the Second World War.

CAPI Programs, Events & Initiatives

Internship & Scholarship Programs

Every year since 2003, CAPI has offered a variety of opportunities to current UVic students and young Canadian graduates from across the country. So far over 120 students have taken part in our internship program working with civil society organizations across Asia. Recently, our interns have worked with organizations in Bangladesh, India, Japan, Malaysia, Nepal and the Philippines. We also provide research scholarships for UVic students doing fieldwork in the Asia-Pacific region and for students from Commonwealth countries studying at UVic.

Events

CAPI holds regular events on campus and in the community about topics and issues related to the Asia-Pacific. From major international conferences, to workshops, arts events, and lecture and seminar series, our events aim to inform and promote discussion. The Albert Hung and Neil Burton

lecture series' provide an opportunity for distinguished visitors to address a community audience on a topic of public interest in the Asia-Pacific region.

See our website for a calendar and videos of past events.

Leadership Programs

CAPI currently runs two leadership programs – the **China Youth Leadership Program** provides an international experience to undergraduate students from China. The program provides students with an experiential learning opportunity through a balance of on-campus academic lectures and off-campus field trips.

The **Early Career Leaders in China Program**, offered in partnership with the School of Public Administration, offers an intensive development program for professionals working in the private and public sectors in China and Hong Kong. This year the program has a special focus on environmental sustainability.

Migration, Mobility, & Displacement

The world is facing unprecedented levels of mobility and migration, and this increasing flow of workers from rural to urban areas and across country borders has deep and profound impacts on development. Once treated as separate issues, the intersections between migration and development are being increasingly recognized on the global stage.

The Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives' Migration and Mobility Program brings together experts in the field from all over the world to share knowledge of migration and mobility issues related to Asia. MMP houses SSHRC funded projects, provides funding for exchanges and houses an online, open-access, peer-reviewed journal, *Migration, Mobility & Displacement*.

Open access migration journal

Migration, Mobility, & Displacement is an online, open-access, peer-reviewed journal. It seeks to publish original and innovative scholarly articles, juried thematic essays from migrant advocacy groups and practitioners, and visual essays that speak to migration, mobility and displacement that relate in diverse ways to the Asia-Pacific. The journal welcomes submissions from scholars and migrant advocacy groups that are publicly engaged, and who seek to address a range of issues facing migrants, mobile and displaced persons, and especially work which explores injustices and inequalities.

The editorial board aims to publish and promote:

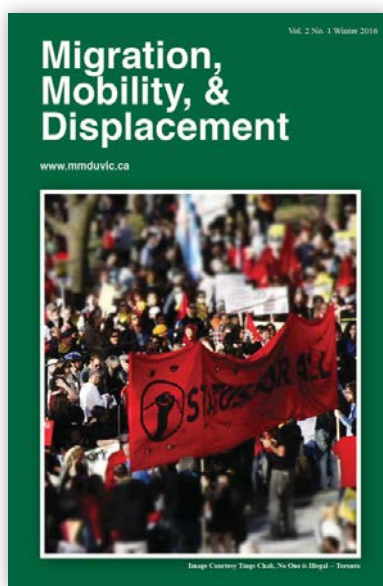
- challenges to received wisdom and dominant narratives about migration, mobility, and displacement;
- scholarship that addresses injustices and inequalities facing migrants, mobile and displaced persons;

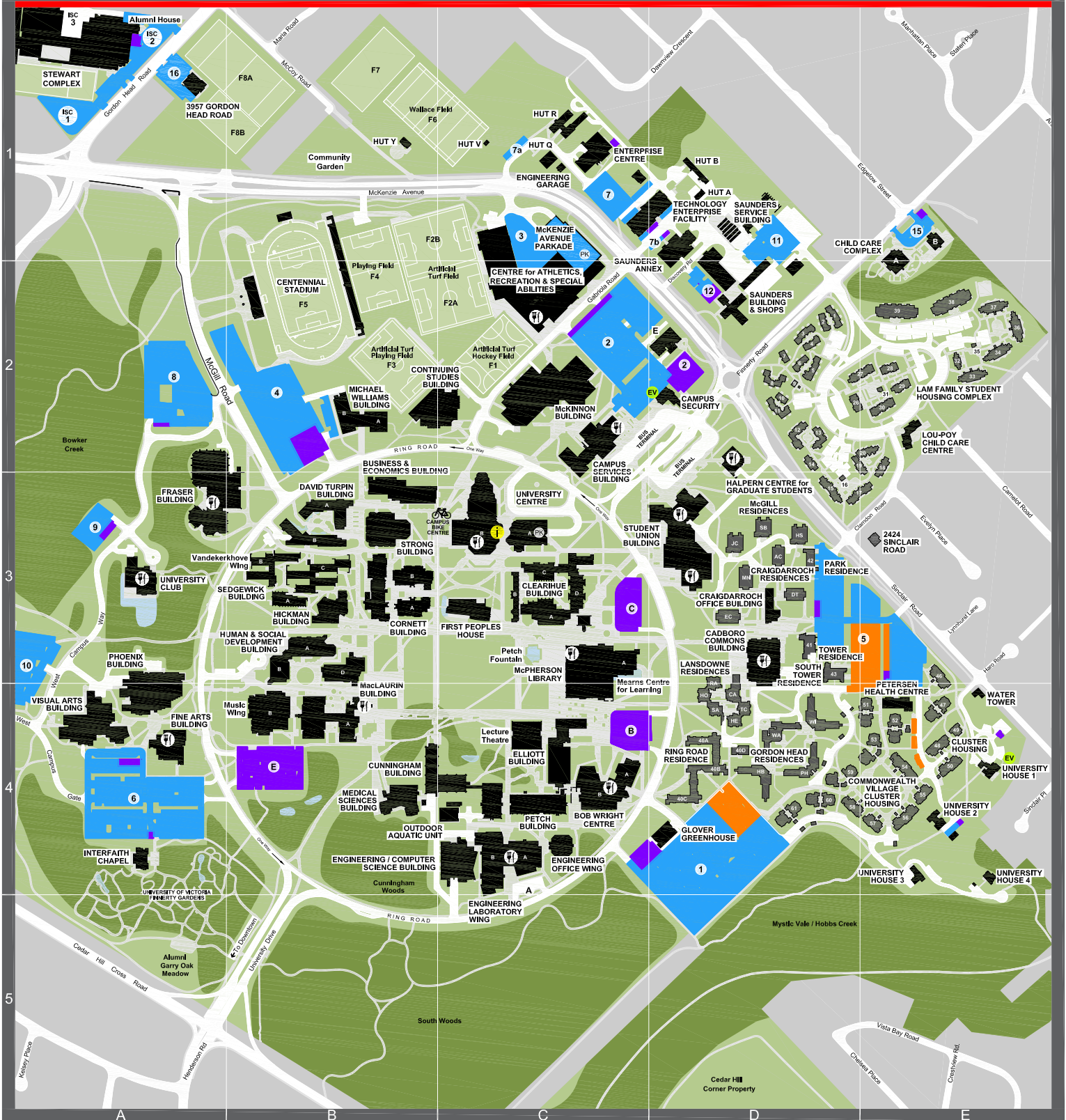
- public scholarship that serves as a resource for policy debate across the Asia-Pacific region and beyond;
- inter-disciplinary scholarship and research featuring diverse theoretical frameworks and methodological perspectives;
- ways of engaging with migrant community activists, migrant advocacy groups and practitioners;
- geographically and culturally diverse scholarship;
- critical engagement with social theory and critical re-conceptualizations of mobility and migration, including questions of indigeneity, power relations, and normative responses.

This journal provides immediate open access to its content on the principle that making research freely available to the public supports a greater global exchange of knowledge.

Presenters and delegates from the 10th annual CARFMS conference are invited to submit articles, essays and visual work for a special edition of the journal.

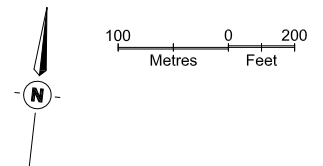
For information on submitting please visit: www.uvic.ca/research/centres/capi/migration-mobility/home/migration-journal/index.php





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