



GLOBAL FLOWS OF MIGRANTS AND THEIR IMPACTS ON NORTH EUROPEAN WELFARE STATES

FLOW Final Conference

4 - 5 November 2021

Copenhagen Campus, A.C Meyers Vænge 15



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How can the welfare state handle challenges concerning migration?

Since 2018, an interdisciplinary research team of science and social science/humanities scholars has explored the effect of immigration on the developed North European welfare states and the possibilities for improving both the socioeconomic and the sociocultural integration of immigrants. A special emphasis has been on the consequences of climate changes for future migration flows. We invite stakeholders, professionals and scholars to discuss our results regarding managing migration flows and the ways in which the socioeconomic and sociocultural integration of immigrants may be improved in developed welfare states!

FLOW

Aalborg University specializes in migration as a strategic research area. The university funded the project “Global flows of migrations and their impact on North European welfare states (FLOW)”, 2018 – 2021, with 1.2 million euros. The FLOW team consists of an interdisciplinary group of political scientists, sociologists, geographers, historians and education scientists, coordinated by Professor Christian Albrekt Larsen. Since the FLOW project start in 2018, we have analysed migrant flows into Northern Europe with a special emphasis on climate changes, patterns of socioeconomic and sociocultural integration and practices within education and labour-market policies.

The FLOW project team have special expertise on migration issues in the Nordic context, especially in a Danish context. The members have unique access to and experience with Danish register and survey data on migration issues. All members of the FLOW project embrace the interdisciplinary approach – a hallmark of Aalborg University.

Keynotes

Insights from Three Years of Interdisciplinary Research in Migration and the Welfare State

Christian Albrekt Larsen

Global Cross-border Mobilities and the Nordic Welfare State

Pauli Kettunen

Nordic Lessons from Managing Migration

Grete Brochmann

Immigration, Crises, and the Populist Right: From Class Solidarity to Cultural Solidarity

Ferruh Yilmaz



Talk with the Minister

Indvandringspolitik og fremtiden for den nordiske velfærdstat. Problemer og muligheder i de socialdemokratiske visioner.

[The future of the Nordic welfare state and migrant politics – problems and possibilities in the Social Democratic visions].

Minister for Immigration and Integration Mattias Tesfaye in discussion with professor and expert in welfare state politics Jørgen Goul Andersen

Seminar sessions on FLOW results

Presentation and discussion of findings in dialogue with scholars in the research fields who participate with responding papers which also present their own research. Also stakeholders from relevant organisations with an academic background could be an option, e.g. as commentators of results

Panel 1: Understanding current and future flow of immigrants into Northern Europe. *Organized by Carsten Kessler & Lanciné Diop-Christensen*

Panel 2: Northern European public debates and opinions towards migration and integration. *Organized by Troels Fage Hedegaard & Mette Buchardt*

Panel 3: The labour market integration of immigrants and the discursive construction of migrant workers in Denmark. *Organized by Thomas Bredgaard & Trine Lund Thomsen*

Panel 4: Frontlines of socio-cultural integration of immigrants in the Nordics: Early integration efforts. *Organized by Karen Nielsen Breidahl & Nanna Ramsing Enemark*

Panel 5: Educational integration and roads to the labour market in Denmark *Organized by Jin Hui Li & Rasmus Lind Ravn*

Panel 6: Narratives about migration and the future cohesion of the welfare state. *Organized by Martin Bak Jørgensen & Kristian Kriegbaum Jensen*



MIX – Centre for Displacement, Migration and Integration Studies
Opening of the new Migration and Integration Center at Aalborg University
Advantages and disadvantages of interdisciplinary research.
Rector of Aalborg University Per Michael Johansen

Future research on immigration, displacement and integration at Aalborg University.
Kristian Kriegbaum

About the plenary speakers



Pauli Kettunen

Professor Emeritus of Political History in the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Helsinki. His research interests include nationalism and globalization, labour history and social movements, Nordic welfare states and working-life institutions, education politics, and the conceptual history of politics.



Grete Brochmann

Professor at the University of Oslo - Department of Sociology and Human Geography. Her main research field is international migration, European immigration policy, comparative integration policies in welfare states and in the Nordic region as well as historical studies of immigration to Norway. She chaired the Norwegian Welfare and Migration Committee, the so-called Brochmann Committee.



Ferruh Yilmaz

Associate professor at the Tulane University, Department of Communication. His main research interests include immigration, the social and political landscapes in Europe-focus on Denmark, discourse analysis and culturalization of discourse, media and political change.



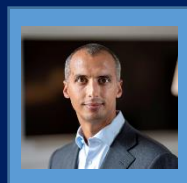
Christian Albrekt Larsen

Professor at Aalborg University, Centre for Comparative Welfare Studies at the Department of Politics and Society (CCWS). His research fields include “the Nordic model”, welfare societies with open economies and multicultural settings, national identity and migrants, politics of welfare reforms, migration and assimilation in Northern Europe.



Jørgen Goul Andersen

Professor at Aalborg University, Centre for Comparative Welfare Studies at the Department of Politics and Society. His research interests include Nordic welfare states, labour markets, welfare policies and citizenship, nationalism, economic policy and Danish politics in general.



Mattias Tesfaye

Minister for Immigration and Integration. Member of the Folketing for The Social Democratic Party in Greater Copenhagen greater constituency from June 18th 2015. Candidate for The Social Democratic Party in Brøndby nomination district from 2014.



Time schedule

Thursday 4 Nov. 2021

12.00 - 12.15	Opening by Mette Buchardt
12.15 - 13.00	Keynote 1
13.15 - 13.30	Break
13.30 - 14.30	Panel 1 & Panel 2 (parallel sessions)
14.30 - 14.45	Break
14.45 - 16.15	Panel 3 & 4 (parallel sessions)
16.15 - 16.30	Break
16.30 - 17.30	Keynote 2

Friday 5 Nov. 2021

9.00 - 10.00	Keynote 3
10.00 - 10.15	Break
10.15 - 11.45	Panel 5 & 6 (parallel sessions)
11.45 - 12.45	Lunch
12.45 - 13.30	Talk with the Minister
13.30 - 13.45	Break
13.45 - 14.45	Keynote 4
14.45 - 15.00	Break
15.00 - 15.30	Official opening of the new research centre followed by a light reception

Registration

Please register by [this link](#) by 6 October 2021 (free of charge. First-come, first-served basis, limited number of seats available). Specific questions can be emailed to [Julie Skibsted Larsen](#).





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