For long, Turkey has been receiving forced migrants from near and far afield. From the early 2000s Turkey went through a migration transition and has now become an immigration country. Most notably, a decade ago, several million Syrian refugees began arriving in Turkey. Around that time a new Asylum and Migration Bureau was set up to prepare the modernisation of Turkey’s migration legislation and administration. These developments also put Turkey at the top of the migration research agenda; in 2011, the first TurkMiS workshop took place in Oxford to encourage and strengthen research into these developments. Meanwhile, academics concerned with migration matters related to Turkey are contributing in an important way to international scholarship. This workshop aims to look back at the achievements made over the past decade of knowledge production and migration management, promote recent advances, further enhance international knowledge transfer and cooperation whilst identifying certain distortions as well as knowledge gaps and consider ways forward.

This workshop is organised in collaboration with the Institute for Migration Research and Intercultural Studies (IMIS, Osnabruck University), Migration Policy Centre (GPM, Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University) and the Turkish-German exchange project on the integration of Syrian refugees into host communities in Turkey (GIZ), which is commissioned by the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and implemented by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ). The workshop takes place in the context of the “Forced Migration and Refugee Studies: Networking and Knowledge Transfer” project (FFVT), sponsored by the German Federal Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF).

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Programme

Thursday, 29 July

12.45 – 13:00 Opening

Franck Düvell (IMIS, Osnabruck), Ali Zafer Sağiroğlu (AYBU-GPM, Ankara)

13:00 – 14:30 Panel 1, “Mobility and External Dimension”, chair Başak Kale (METU, Ankara)

“Governing Mobilities and Negotiating Borders: Im/mobility of Syrian Refugees in Turkey”, Sezgi Karaçan (Ottawa University, Canada)

“Externalization and Subcontractor Role on Turkey on Refugee Mobility”, Didem Danış (Galatasaray University, Istanbul)

“New Developments in Afghanistan and Possible Migration Effects on Turkey and EU”, Hidayet Siddikoglu (Bilim Organization for Research & Social Studies, Shahrenaw, Kabul, Afghanistan)

14:30 – 14:45 Break

14:45 - 16:45 Panel 2 “Urban and Economic Lives”, Esme Bayar (GIZ)

“Refugee Emplacement in Urban Areas: The Multi-scalar Mobility Patterns and Location Choices of Syrian Refugees in Izmir, Turkey”, Feriha Nazga Güngördü (Cankaya University, Ankara)

“Exclusion-related Challenges Against the Food Security of Urban Syrian Refugees in Southeast Turkey and Possible Solutions”, Nur Sultan Çırákman (METU, Ankara)

“Employment Experiences of Migrants with Different Protection Status in Turkey”, Büşra Uslu Ak (GIZ, Ankara)


16:45 - 17:00 Break

17:00 – 18:00 Keynote, chair Franck Düvell

“Forced Migration and the (Un-/Re-)Making of Turkey: a Longue Durée Perspective”, Ahmet İçduyuğ (Koc University, Istanbul)

Friday, 30 July

9:30 – 11.00 Panel 3 “Social cohesion and integration challenges”, chair Didem Daniş (Galatasaray University, Istanbul)

“Forced Migration and the (Un-/Re-)Making of Turkey: a Longue Durée Perspective”, Ahmet İçduyuğ (Koc University, Istanbul)

From Temporary Guests to Protracted Rival Invaders: Attitudes toward Syrian Refugees in Turkey”, Ayşegül Kayaoglu (Istanbul Technical University)

“Perceptions of Syrians on Social Cohesion; Challenges and Opportunities”, Hakan Gülerce, (Harran University, Şanlıurfa)

“GIZ Turkey’s work in the Support to Refugees and Host Communities Cluster”, Miresi Busana (GIZ)
11:00 – 11:15 Break

11.15 – 12.25 Panel debate, chairs Franck Düvell (IMIS, Osnabruck), Ali Zafer Sağiroğlu (AYBU-GPM, Ankara)

“A research-policy dialogue: 10 years of displacement from Syria, 10 years of reforming Turkish migration governance, 10 years of knowledge production: what has been achieved, what remains to be done?”, Atilla Toros (formerly DGMM), Ayçan Akdeniz, (ICMPD Turkey), Erdem Ayçicek (MSYD, Ankara), tbc (GIZ), Didem Daniş (Galatasaray university).

12:25 – 12:30 Closing

The Turkey Migration Studies Network (TurkMiS) was founded by Dr Franck Duvell in 2011 at the University of Oxford, UK. It migrated with the convener and is now based at the Institute for Migration Research and Intercultural Studies (IMIS) at Osnabruck University, Germany. Its aim is to promote and exchange international research on migration and migration policy related to Turkey and the wider region. It is an informal and fluid network maintained around the annual events. Key events were, for example, the 1. Turkish Migration Conference with Regents College and London Centre on Social Studies in London in 2012 and the 2014 conference and workshop with HUGO, Haçettepe University.