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Forced Migrations Studies*

FORCED MIGRATION: HUMAN RIGHTS CHALLENGES

Organized by the Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies

Hosted by the Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism

McGill University, Montreal

New Chancellor Day Hall, 3644 Peel Street

May 12-13, 2011

PROGRAM

Thursday, May 12th

8:00am – 9:00am Registration and Coffee

9:00am – 9:30am Opening Remarks: Conference Organizers

Room: Moot Court, New Chancellor Day Hall

9:30am – 10:30am Keynote Address: François Crépeau, Hans & Tamar Oppenheimer Professor in Public International Law, Faculty of Law, University of McGill

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10:30am – 11:00am Morning Break

11:00am – 12:30pm: Concurrent Panels

Panel 1: Current trends and challenges in human rights protection of forced migrants: The Canadian refugee system

Room: 202 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: James Milner

- James Simeon, The essence of refugee status determination
- Sean Rehaag, Losing refugee status: a snapshot of cessation and revocation cases in Canada
- Donald Galloway, The law and politics of refugee reform in Canada



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Panel 2: Detention of forced migrants: human rights and durable solutions

Room: 200 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Delphine Nakache

- Janet Cleveland, Detention of refugee claimants in Canada: Impact and alternatives
- Heather Johnson, Estrangement, Encampment and Power
- Luna Vives, Dakar – Madrid: the long journey of the unwanted migrant

Panel 3: New Perspectives on Old Categories: Interdisciplinary Insights on Human Rights Issues in Canada

Room: 201 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Julianna Beaudoin

- Julianna Beaudoin, Categorical Consequences for Refugee Claimants in Canada
- Stephanie Bangarth, Citizen Activism, Immigrants, Refugees, and the State: Two Case-Studies in Canadian History
- Nicole Ives and Grace Chammas, Refugees and First Nations populations in Canada: Exploring parallels of societal exclusion
- Edward Lee and Shari Brotman, Identity, Refugeeeness, Belonging: Experiences of Sexual Minority Refugees in Canada
- Stelian Medianu and Alina Sutter, Refugee Media Depictions: Themes and Implications

12:30pm – 1:30pm Lunch

NOTE: The CARFMS annual general meeting will take place over the lunch hour in room 202.

1:30pm – 3:00pm Concurrent panels

Panel 1: The securitization of migration: current trends and challenges

Room: 200 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Donald Galloway

- Lamis Abdelaaty, Political Competition and Refugee Policy
- Andrew Galley, Uncanadian? Positioning the Refugee Subject under the IRPA(2002) Legislation
- Justin Mohammed, Exclusion in International Refugee Law: 20th Century Principles for 21st Century Practice?

Panel 2: Le trafic des migrants et la traite d'êtres humains au Canada : les droits fondamentaux et les solutions durables

Room : 201 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair : Jill Hanley

- Louise Dionne, Traite humaine transfrontalière : Politiques sécuritaires versus besoins des victimes
- Alexandra Ricard-Guay, La protection des droits des victimes de la traite des personnes au Canada : un enjeu de sécurité?
- Estibaliz Jimenez, La réponse législative et politique du Canada contre le trafic des migrants et l'immigration irrégulière : Lorsque les demandeurs d'asile sont perçus comme une menace pour le pays

Panel 3: New approaches and theories: Refugee identity and experiences

Room: 202 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Sean Rehaag

- Megan Elizabeth Bradley, Rethinking refugeehood: statelessness, repatriation and the contributions of Hannah Arendt

- Ryan M Butyniec, After the Smoke Clears: the dynamics of ethnic and local identity in conflict and displacement affected Acholiland, northern Uganda
- Silas W. Allard, Interpreting a Subject in the Law: The Construction and Performance of Refugee Identity in U.S. Asylum Law

Panel 4: Access to social rights and services for migrants and refugees

Room: 203 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Yogendra Shakya

- Andrea Clegg , One Roof, One Right: Refugee Claimants and the Right to Social Housing
- Ma Khin Mar Kyi, Burdened Bodies: State security, surveillance, self insecurity and sexual health of Burmese migrant women in Thai-Burma borderlands
- Gabrielle Lavigne, Are we listening? How can we give "a voice" to immigrant/migrant/refugee women as it relates to their personal security?

3:00pm – 3:30pm Afternoon Break

3:30pm – 5:00pm Concurrent Panels

Panel 1: Forced removals : current trends and challenges

Room: 200 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: James Simeon

- Paul D. St. Clair, Roma Migration - From EU to Canada, and Back
- Alan Desmond, Strengthening Borders, Weakening Citizenship Protections: Deportation of Irish Citizen Children and Their Irregular Immigrant Parents
- Maria Josephine O'Sullivan, Offshore processing and Due Process - Lessons from Australia

Panel 2: Access to education, health and social rights

Room: 202 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Megan Bradley

- Mónica Ruiz-Casares and Cécile Rousseau, Access to healthcare for uninsured migrants: a legal, ethical, and prudential dilemma
- Michaela Hynie, Canadian refugee policies and social inclusion: The case of refugee youth access to education
- Jill Hanley, Migrant Worker Access to Social Rights: Individual, Family and Collective Strategies

Panel 3 : New approaches and theories in forced migration studies: climate migrations - migrations environnementales

Room : 201 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair : Gabrielle Lavigne

- Christel Cournil, Les migrations environnementales : une nouvelle gouvernance, pour quels droits ?
- Magali Bonne-Moreau, Environmental discourses and refugee policy: a Tanzanian case study
- Speranta Dumitru, Martin Provencher, Migrants climatiques et justice globale : approches philosophiques
- Mostafa Mahmud Naser, Climate Change and Forced Displacement: Obligation of States under International Human Rights Law

5:30pm Opening reception

Location: Atrium, New Chancellor Day Hall

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11:00am – 12:30pm Concurrent Panels

Panel 1: Repatriation and resettlement of refugees and internally displaced persons: current trends and challenges

Room: 200 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Alexandra Ricard

- Naohiko Omata, Post-repatriation life of Liberian returnees from Ghana: Did repatriation improve their living conditions?
- Howard Adelman, Rights, Rites, Refugees and Return
- Razaak Mohamed Ghani, Internally Displaced People and their Perceptions of Return after the War: A Case Study of Sri Lanka
- Nayana Godamunne, Development and Forced migration in Sri Lanka: The National Involuntary Resettlement Policy as a durable solution

Panel 2: Human rights and durable solutions: gender, age and power relations

Room: 202 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Heather Johnson

- Christina Clark-Kazak, Age discrimination or age blindness in Canada's migration policy and practice?
- Michael Bossin, The interaction of the Hague Convention, the Refugee Convention and the Convention on the Rights of the Child: The case of Rodriguez and Rosenzweig
- Aoife Anais O'Higgins, Reconceiving the Rights and Needs of Young Refugees in the UK

Panel 3: New approaches and theories in promoting integration and safety of refugees and migrants

Room: 203 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Katherine Luongo

- Abdellatif A. Qamhaieh, Refugee Camp Planning and Defensible Space Theory: A Practical Approach for Improving Design and Safety within Refugee Camps
- Samra Nasser, Immigrant Integration into Host Societies: The Case of Yemeni Immigrant Communities in Metro Detroit
- Aranzazu Recalde, On the value and meaning of "being legal" Peruvians, Bolivians and Paraguayans in Argentina during the 2000s

12:30pm – 2:00pm Lunch and Screening of film on forced migration (Room 202, New Chancellor Day Hall)

2:00pm – 3:30pm Concurrent Panels

Panel 1: Memory, meaning and experience in asylum processes

Room: 201 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Michaela Hynie

- James Parry Eyster, Never Give a Seeker an Even Break: The Metamorphosis of Memory and its Impact on Asylum Cases
- Katherine Luongo, African Witchcraft in the International Arena of Asylum
- Kim Grace Robinson, Helping People through a Horrendous System". An examination of the roles of frontline workers in refugee non-government organisations in Australia and the United Kingdom

Panel 2 : L'impact de la sécurisation sur les droits des migrants vulnérables et des demandeurs d'asile au Canada et en Europe

Room: 202 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Christel Cournil

- Delphine Nakache, L'instrumentalisation du droit dans les politiques migratoires
- Alain Vallières, L'impact sur les droits humains de l'éloignement par le Canada des criminels d'origine haïtienne.
- Idil Atak, L'eupéanisation du système canadien de protection des réfugiés?: une analyse critique du processus de réforme récent

Panel 3: New approaches in refugee protection systems and forced migration studies

Room: 203 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Howard Adelman

- Marina Sharpe, The role of the African Regional Human Rights System in Refugee Protection
- Julia Bertino Moreira, Refugee policy in Brazil: a conceptual and theoretical debate

Panel 4: The role of advocacy, law and civil society: new approaches and theories

Room: 204 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Angus Grant (TBC)

- Jacob van Garderen, Fritz Gaerdes, David Cote, Litigation as a tool to advance the rights of asylum seekers and refugees in South Africa: Successes & Challenges
- Joris van Wijk, Exclusion clause 1F: Facts, Figures and Fairytales
- Chakra Raj Ojha, Min Kumar Magar, The role of civil society in ending displacement and finding durable solutions for internally displaced
- Anna Valerie Dolidze, The pot is as black as the kettle: how the European Court of Human Rights' procedure discriminates stateless persons

3:30pm – 4:00pm Afternoon Break

4:00pm – 5:30pm Concurrent Panels

Panel 1: Current Approaches to Understanding Immigration Detention in the UK

Room: 200 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: Aoife Anais O'Higgins

- Stephanie J. Silverman, Liberal Values and the U.K. Immigration Detention System
- Evelyne Massa, Power, Resistance and Protest in UK Immigration Detention Centres
- Michael Flynn, The Immigration Detention Code: Developing Tools for Documenting Detention Practices

Panel 2: Forced migration and peacebuilding: New approaches and prospects for durable solutions

Room: 202 (New Chancellor Day Hall)

Chair: François Crépeau

- James Milner, Refugees and peacebuilding: Challenges and opportunities
- Megan Bradley, Truth-telling and displacement: Patterns and prospects
- Amanda J Coffie, (Re)positioning Asylum as a Peace building Strategy
- Martha Chertkow, Michael Spacek, Ajay Parasram, Refugees and peacebuilding in Africa: A review of two decades of cases

5:30pm - 6 :00pm Closing remarks, Moot Court, New Chancellor Day Hall