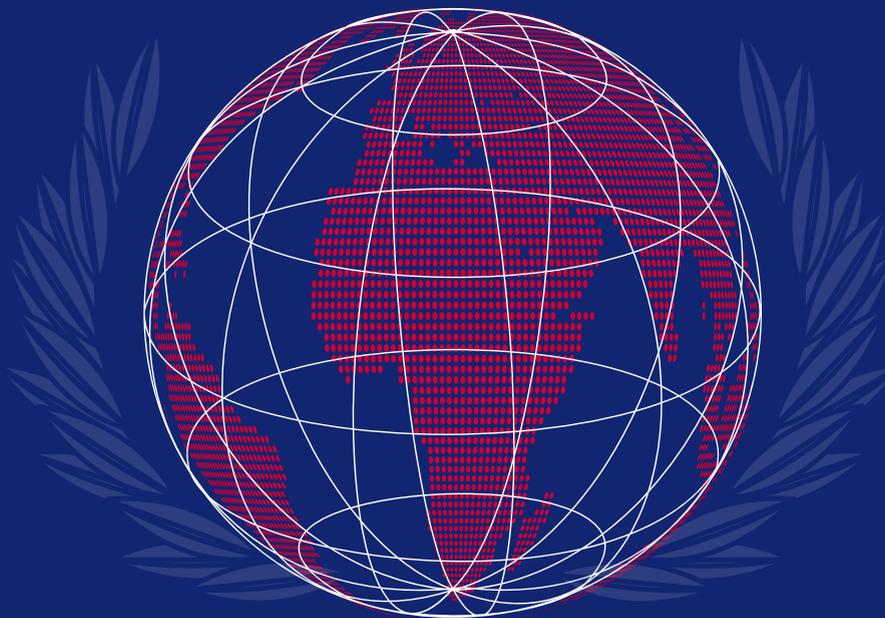


Jno. E Owens Conference |
Migration, Trade, and Human Development
Rethinking Global Inequalities



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With support of Sciences Po/CERI, Institut Convergences Migrations,
and Institut d'Études Avancées de Paris, France

March 14-15, 2022

March 14 RSVP:



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CONVENERS:

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The annual Jno E. Owens Fund Conference, sponsored by the Tower Center at SMU and this year by the Institut d'Etudes Avanc ees de Paris, will examine the complex relationship between migration, and economic and human development, paying special attention to:

- (1) **Migration, trade, and international investment dynamics** with an eye to explaining their impact on human development and global inequalities;
- (2) How **migration and** asylum-seeking affect **inequalities in human capital and development, notably in skill levels, capital accumulation, health, and wealth generation** (via financial and immaterial remittances) across sending and receiving countries and regions;
- (3) How **migration and** asylum-seeking affect and are affected by the **environment-development nexus**: understanding forced migration, human displacement, and migration-related inequalities across the natural and built-in environment;
- (4) How inequalities affect and are affected by **migration and socio-political transformations** (diaspora politics, state-building, political and social remittances).

MIGRATION, TRADE, AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT RETHINKING GLOBAL INEQUALITIES

Statement of Purpose and Charge to Authors

In the wake of multiple migration and asylum crises and a pandemic in the first decades of the 21st century that slowed human mobility, disrupted supply chains and led to a global recession, the annual Jno E. Owens Conference, sponsored by the Tower Center at SMU, Sciences Po/CERI, the Institute of Advanced Studies in Paris, and the Institut Convergences Migrations in France will examine the complex relationship between migration, economic and human development, trade and socio-political transformation.

Human mobility is part of a broader trend of globalization, which includes trade in goods and services as well as foreign direct investment and capital flows, greater ease of travel, and a veritable explosion of information. While trade and capital flows are the twin pillars of globalization, migration constitutes a relatively understudied third pillar on which the global economy rests.

Migration is rarely viewed as a structural factor in the global economy, an important path for human and economic development, and a way to reduce global inequalities.

Migration was seen as a vector of global convergence across continents and countries during the great transatlantic migrations of the 19th century, but today the picture is more complex. Migration is a visible reflection of global inequalities, whether in terms of wages, labor market opportunities, or living conditions. Depending on the context, migration can either reduce inequalities across countries and within societies, create new ones, or exacerbate existing ones. The increased constraints put on population movements are challenging shared assumptions about the relationship between development, trade, and migration.

Likewise, forced migration, which is highly concentrated in developing regions of the global south, is even more frequently overlooked as both a consequence and driver of development and part and parcel of globalization. Similarly, while the gains from trade and FDI in terms of economic development are well understood, the link between migration and human and economic development is unclear across sending and receiving countries and different categories of migrants.

AGENDA

DAY 1: MARCH 14, 2022

Sciences Po/CERI, 56 rue Jacob, 75006 Paris

WELCOME Jim Hollifield, Simon Luck, & H el ene Thiollet

9:30 A.M. **Migration, trade and international investment dynamics, including remittances: understanding development and global inequalities at various levels**

Chair, Flore Gubert (IRD and MSH), and discussant, Jason Gagnon, (OECD)

1. Hillel Rapoport, Paris School of Economics
2. Raymond Robertson, Texas A&M University
3. Claudia Masferrer, Colegio de M exico
4. Daniel Naujoks, Columbia University

12:00 P.M. LUNCH

2:30 P.M. **Migration and global inequalities in human capital and development: skill levels, capital accumulation, health, and wealth generation across sending and receiving countries & regions**

Chair, Annabel Desgr ees Du Lo u (IRD/CEPED/ICM), discussant, Pia Orrenius (Dallas Fed and SMU)

1. Peggy Levitt, Wellesley College
2. Jackie Wahba, University of Southampton
3. Uwe Hunger, Universit at Fulda
4. Pamela Surkan, Johns Hopkins and IEA, and Paul Emmelkamp, University of Amsterdam and IEA
5. Ra ul Delgado Wise, Autonomous University of Zacatecas

5:00 P.M. DINNER

DAY 2: MARCH 15, 2022

Sciences Po/CERI, 56 rue Jacob, 75006 Paris

9:30 A.M. **Forced migration, displacement, and the environment-development nexus**

Chair, Lisa Chauvet (Paris1) and David Kantner (NYU and IEA), Discussant

1. Francesco Fasani, University of Milan
2. Malabika Sarker, Brac University, Bangladesh
3. Cristina Cattaneo, CMCC, Milano, Italy
4. François Gemenne, University of Liège

12:00 P.M. LUNCH

1:30 P.M. **Migration and socio-political transformations**

Chair, Jim Hollifield, H el ene Thiollet, Discussant

1. Hein de Haas, University of Amsterdam
2. Elieth Eyebiyi, DHI CREPOS S en egal and IEA
3. Geraldine Asiwome Adiku, University of Ghana
4. Brenda Yeoh Saw Ai, National University of Singapore

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FINAL DEBATE/ROUNDTABLE

IEA, 17 quai d'Anjou, 75004 Paris

5:00 P.M.

Migration and Inequality

Moderated by Flore Gubert, Jim Hollifield, and H el ene Thiollet

1. Mirna Safi, OSC/Sciences Po
2. Fran ois H eran, Coll ege de France/ICM
3. Jason Gagnon, OECD
4. Brenda Yeoh Saw Ai, National University of Singapore

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