Public Lecture Series
Fall 2015

Exclusion – Discrimination – Borders. Dynamics of Inequalities in Migration Regimes
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Modern societies are characterized by functional differentiations that continuously generate dynamics of inequality. These are also embedded in contemporary migration regimes, which are characterized by multiple interconnections between labor markets, legal regulations, state practices and sociocultural identities. Within such migration regimes access to political rights, to economic goods, to representation and to recognition are negotiated and distributed unevenly according to historical configurations of “race”, nationality, gender, class and other axes of difference. This Public Lecture Series assembles different disciplinary and theoretical approaches for studying dynamics of inequality in a mobile world. The interdisciplinary horizon shall open up new perspectives on the logics of exclusion, discrimination and borders in contemporary migration and mobility regimes.
8 October 2015
The Transnational Social Question: Inequalities and Exclusions in Cross-Border Mobilities
Thomas Faist, Faculty of Sociology, University of Bielefeld

15 October 2015
Air Deportation: Statecraft, Aircraft, and the In/Visibility of Forced Mobility
William Walters, Department of Political Science, Carleton University, Ottawa

5 November 2015
Schengen Borders: Discrimination between Freedom of Movement and Death
Elspeth Guild, School of Law, Queen Mary University of London

19 November 2015
Transnational Mobilities and Translocational Belongings: Reflecting on the Interconnections between Identities and Inequalities
Floya Anthias, School of Social Sciences, University of East London

3 December 2015
Integrating Immigrants – How Does Switzerland Compare?
Thomas Liebig, International Migration Division, OECD, Paris

Thursdays from 18:15 to 19:45 h
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About the nccr – on the move
The nccr – on the move is a national center of competence in research funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation. It seeks to stimulate the interdisciplinary field of migration research in Switzerland and develop new perspectives on the changing migratory reality. Managed from the University of Neuchatel, the network comprises seventeen research teams from seven universities in Switzerland: The Universities of Neuchatel, Basel, Bern, Fribourg, Geneva, Lausanne and Lucerne. It brings together research projects from social sciences, economics and law. The nccr – on the move offers some 40 doctoral and post-doctoral fellowships to highly talented researchers in the field.