



Public Lecture

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**Mapping Contemporary Patterns of Mobility, Migration and
Integration: What Survey Data Can We Use?**

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Abstract

Survey-based research is an integral part of the social scientists' toolkit for mapping and understanding contemporary patterns of mobility, migration, and integration. Yet, both across Europe and the rest of the world, survey data focusing on mobility, migration, and integration is scattered and often difficult to find, to access and to re-use. Moreover, because the available survey data is often produced in a decentralized and uncoordinated manner, systematic comparative analyses are rare and rely on a very restricted set of data. This lecture introduces the audience to a range of initiatives undertaken through COST Action 16111 Ethmigsurveydata and the H2020 project SSHOC that aim at making survey data on the integration of ethnic and migrant minorities FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable).

The lecture will present the newly created Ethnic and Migrant Minorities Survey Registry which will display the information of more than 800 surveys focusing on the integration of ethnic and migrant minorities across 30 countries in Europe. The presentation will also illustrate how the detailed analysis of the survey metadata retrieved through this registry allows us to identify the strengths and weaknesses of survey research in this field by paying attention to the survey and sample designs, the geographical coverage, the coverage of various subpopulations, the thematic coverage and the availability of documentation.

Curriculum Vitae

Laura Morales is Professor in Political Science/Comparative Politics at Sciences Po, CEE. She is also a Fellow of the French Collaborative Institute on Migration (2018-2021) and an Affiliated Researcher at LIEPP, Sciences Po. She previously worked at the universities of Leicester, Manchester, Murcia, Complutense and the Autonomous University of Madrid. Her research focuses on the areas of political behavior, comparative politics, public opinion, political parties and the politics of immigration. She is currently Chair of the COST Action "International Ethnic and Immigrant Minorities' Survey Data Network", which gathers a network of researchers from 33 countries working on improving the access, usability, dissemination and standards of survey data on the economic, social and political integration of ethnic and migrant minorities. Other recent projects she has worked on include: the project Pathways on the Political Representation of Citizens of Immigrant Origin; the project Support and Opposition to Migration on the Politicization of Migration across Europe; the Immigrant Citizens Survey; and the project LOCALMULTIDEM on migrants' social capital and participation in Europe.

Selected Publications

- L. Morales & M. Giugni (Eds.) (2011). *Social Capital, Political Participation and Migration in Europe. Making Multicultural Democracy Work?* Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.
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