Speaker Biographies

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Opening session

Carlos Moedas, European Commissioner for Research and Innovation, was born in Beja (Portugal) in 1970. He graduated in Civil Engineering from the Higher Technical Institute (IST) in 1993 and completed the final year of studies at the École Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées in Paris (France). He worked in engineering for the Suez-Lyonnaise des Eaux group in France until 1998. He obtained an MBA from Harvard Business School (USA) in 2000, after which he returned to Europe to work in mergers and acquisitions at investment bank Goldman Sachs in London (UK). He returned to Portugal in 2004 as Managing Director of Aguirre Newman and member of the Executive Board of Aguirre Newman in Spain. In 2008, he founded his own investment company, Crimson Investment management. In 2011, he’s elected for the National Parliament and was called for the government to Secretary of State to the Prime Minister of Portugal in charge of the Portuguese Adjustment Programme. In 2014, he became Member of the European Commission, as Commissioner in charge of Research, Science and Innovation.

Robert-Jan Smits, Director-General of DG Research and Innovation (RTD) at the European Commission. In this capacity he is responsible for defining and implementing the EU policy and programmes in the field of research and innovation (average annual budget 8 billion euro). Mr Smits was one of the main architects and negotiators of Horizon 2020, the new 80 billion EU programme for science and innovation (2014-2020). Mr Smits has also been instrumental in the development of several other policy initiatives in the field of European science and innovation such as: the European Research Council (ERC), the European Roadmap for large scale facilities, Public-Private Partnerships in research, the Innovation Union and the European
Research Area (ERA). Mr Smits is chairing several high-level committees such as European Research Area Committee (ERAC), the Steering Committee of the ERC (ERCEA) and joint S&T committees with Europe’s key global partners. Mr Smits was born in The Netherlands. He has degrees from Utrecht University in The Netherlands, Institut Universitaire d’Hautes Etudes Internationales in Switzerland and Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy in the United States of America.

**Session 1: Research and innovation for evidence based policy**

**Prof Russell King** is Professor of Geography at the University of Sussex and Visiting Professor in Migration Studies at Malmo University. At Sussex he was founder-director of the Sussex Centre for Migration Research and also set up the MA and PhD programmes in Migration Studies. From 2000 to 2013 he was Editor of the Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies. He has wide interests across the migration field: geographically he specialises in European migration, and has carried out field and survey work in many European countries. In terms of types of migration, he has researched labour migration, retirement migration, student and graduate migration, migration and development, and diasporas. Amongst his recent books are Counter-diaspora: The Greek second generation returns ‘Home’ (Harvard University Press 2014, joint-author Anastasia Christou), and Remittances, gender and development (I.B. Tauris 2011, joint with Julie Vullnetari). Currently he is pursuing two main research agendas: research on ageing and migration (a joint-authored book with Aija Lulle) and intra-European youth mobilities (under the Horizon 2020 YMOBILITY project).

**Antoine Savary** is Deputy Head of Unit, Legal Migration and Integration, Directorate General Migration and Home Affairs of the European Commission. After having studied political science and economics, Antoine Savary started his career working for city councils in France where he held several positions relating to economic development. He started to work for the European Commission in 2004 as budget officer and subsequently moved to DG JLS (ex DG HOME) in 2007 where he worked as programme manager in the field of External Borders and Visa. In 2012 he was appointed Deputy Head of Unit of the unit in charge of financial programmes in the field of internal security, and negotiated the adoption of the Internal Security Fund 2014-2020. In July 2015 he moved to the unit in charge of legal migration and integration as Deputy Head of Unit.
Camilla Hagström, Head of Section, Migration and Asylum, Directorate General for International Cooperation and Development of the European Commission, has an educational background in political science and international relations. She joined the European Commission in 1995, where she has always worked in the field of external relations. With a long experience in the area of good governance and justice and home affairs, Ms Hagström has in the last 10 years been particularly involved in the area of external cooperation on migration and asylum. After a four year stint as deputy Head of Development cooperation in the EU Delegation to the Philippines, in 2012 she was appointed Head of Section for Migration and Asylum in the Commission’s Directorate General for International Cooperation and Development (DEVCO), where she is in charge of coordinating EU’s migration and refugee related development policy and cooperation with partner countries worldwide.

Prof Bridget Anderson is Professor of Migration and Citizenship and Research Director at COMPAS. She has a DPhil in Sociology and previous training in Philosophy and Modern Languages. She is the author of Us and Them? The Dangerous Politics of Immigration Controls and Doing the Dirty Work? The Global Politics of Domestic Labour; co-edited Who Needs Migrant Workers? Labour Shortages, Immigration and Public Policy with Martin Ruhs; The Social, Political and Historical Contours of Deportation with Matthew Gibney and Emanuela Paoletti; Migration and Care Labour: Theory, Policy and Politics with Isabel Shutes; and Citizenship and Its Others with Vanessa Hughes. Bridget has explored the tension between labour market flexibilities and citizenship rights, and pioneered an understanding of the functions of immigration in key labour market sectors. Her interest in labour demand has meant an engagement with debates about trafficking and modern day slavery, which in turn led to an interest in state enforcement and deportation, and in the ways immigration controls increasingly impact on citizens as well as on migrants. Bridget has worked closely with migrants’ organisations, trades unions and legal practitioners at local, national and international level.

Dr. Aija Lulle is a research fellow at the University of Sussex (United Kingdom) and the director of the Centre for Diaspora and Migration Research, University of Latvia. Her current interests are related to youth mobilities, ageing and migration as well as lives of transnational families, especially through broader notion of identities as a result of intra-European migration. Her recent papers have been published, for example, in Geografiska Annaler, Women’s Studies International Forum, Population, Space and Place, Social and Cultural geography.
Prof Henk van Houtum is head of the Nijmegen Centre for Border Research and Associate Professor Political Geography and Geopolitics at Radboud University Nijmegen. In addition he is Research Professor Geopolitics of Borders at the University of Bergamo. He published numerous books and articles on the epistemology and morality of European external border policy, national borders, cross-border cooperation, migration, European identity, and cartography. His most recent border book is: ‘Borderland: history and future of the border landscape (Blauwdruk, 2013), which formulates new spatial designs for EU cross-border cooperation. He has many years of experience in doing EU funded research for various Framework Programmes (FP). Currently is the local coordinator of a FP7 project on EUBORDERSCAPES (www.EUBORDERSCAPES.eu) in which he investigates the possibilities for alternative external border and migration policies, as well possible futures of the green line conflict in Cyprus. In addition, he is a columnist and commentator for various international media. For a full overview of his expertise, publications, and research projects as well his contact details, see www.henkvanhoutum.nl

Prof François Héran has, since April 2014, been the head of the Social Sciences and Humanities Department of the Agence nationale de la recherche (ANR, Paris). An alumnus of the École normale supérieure (Paris), he earned a PhD from the École des Hautes études en sciences sociales (EHESS) and a “Doctorat d’État” in anthropology from Paris-Descartes University. After four years of fieldwork in Spain and Bolivia, he joined in 1980 the National Institute of Statistics (INSEE) and the French National Institute for Demographic Research (INED) to conduct surveys on sociability, education, family structures, language transmission, immigration. Head of the Population Surveys Branch at INSEE from 1993 to 1998, he lead INED from 1999 to 2009. He has presided inter alia the European Association for Population Studies (EAPS) and the Scientific committee of “Sorbonne Paris Cité”. He serves on the board of several public institutions (Office français de l’immigration et de l’intégration, Musée national de l’immigration). He won in 2011 the Descartes-Huygens Prize awarded by the Royal Netherlands Academy of Science. In 2015 he was appointed by ERC chairman of the SH3 Panel of experts for Starting Grants. François Héran has delivered several official reports: “Demography and Economy” (2002), “Immigration, labour market, integration” (2002), “Inequalities and discriminations: the use of statistics in the French context” (2010). He has published a number of articles in rural sociology, family sociology, demography, immigration issues, kinship studies and history of social science. Among his last books are: La Formation du couple (2006, with M. Bozon), Le Temps des immigrés (2007), Figures de la parenté (2009), and Parlons immigration en 30 questions (2012).
Federico Soda is the Director of the IOM Coordination Office for the Mediterranean in Rome, where he is responsible for IOM activities in Italy, Malta and the Representative to the Holy See. Before assuming this position in October 2014, he was the Head of the Labour Migration and Human Development Division at IOM headquarters from June 2010 to September 2014. In that capacity he oversaw IOM’s activities in the areas of labour migration, integration and migration and development. From 2005 to June 2010, Federico worked on labour migration, migration and development, and policy at IOM’s Regional Office for Southeast Asia in Bangkok, Thailand. Federico worked with IOM in Bosnia and Herzegovina (2001-2005) and Myanmar (2008). Before joining IOM, he practiced labour and employment law with McCarthy Tétrault in Toronto, Canada.

Dr Sergio Carrera has worked at Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) in Brussels since 2002, where he coordinates the Justice and Home Affairs Research Programme. Carrera is also Associate Professor/Senior Researcher at the Department of European Law in the Faculty of Law of the University of Maastricht, the Netherlands. He holds a PhD on European Law at the University of Maastricht (the Netherlands) and has published widely on EU justice and home affairs law and policies. He has co-edited several volumes and authored numerous academic articles in recognised national and international scientific peer-reviewed journals and books. His main research interests are on EU justice and home affairs (JHA) law and policy, with particular focus on migration, citizenship, integration and borders. Carrera has been external expert and written several studies for the European Parliament, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Fundamental Rights Agency and the Committee of the Regions.

Session 2: Research and Innovation in support of refugees

Ewen Macleod is currently head of the Policy Development and Evaluation Service at the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in Geneva. He has worked for the United Nations and the European Commission (EC), holding both headquarters and field-based positions. During the course of a thirty year career he has been involved with many complex humanitarian crises and emergencies in Asia, the Middle East, and Africa.
Peter Dröll is Director of the 'Open Innovation and Open Science' Directorate in the European Commission's DG for Research and Innovation. This Directorate is about creating the conditions for excellent research and innovation throughout Europe. Peter is a lawyer by training with a doctorate degree in German constitutional law and European law. Before joining the European Commission in 1991, Peter worked as a lawyer in Germany.

Dr Mouhannad Malek is a Syrian national born in Damascus, Syria. Mouhannad has lived in Syria for over 18 years. In 2001 he moved to France to study Biology, more precisely Genetic at the University of Lyon. Ten years later, he achieved his Bachelor, Master and PhD degrees in molecular, cellular Biology and Oncology. Mouhannad currently works as a scientist at the Babraham Institute (a Cambridge University affiliated institute) in the UK. In 2012, he founded the 'Syrian Researchers' initiative to raise awareness about Science in the Arab world. The initiative became very popular, particularly in the Middle East, and generally in the Arab world. Today this initiative counts a team of over 450 volunteers who share the number one Arabic scientific website in the world in terms of visits and content. They have over 1.5 million loyal followers and reach over 3 million people per week around the world. This initiative has different partnerships with different prestigious organisations such as UNICEF. In 2014, he created in Cambridge, CAMSCREEN, a DNA specialised company which aims to use our genome for a better understanding of our body.

Husein Alhamada, PhD student, is a nuclear Engineer who graduated from Aleppo University/Syria in 2005. He obtained a post Graduate diploma in 2006 and a Master Degree in 2009. In 2010 he began his research as a PhD student and has been supporting the Syrian Revolution in his city by peaceful demonstration. The Syrian regime chased him to join the Regime army, like all young Syrians. On September 2012 he succeeded fleeing from Syria with his PhD supervisor. Currently he is doing his PhD research on Radiotherapy of cancer at ULB/Belgium, and as a volunteer he supports academic Syrians by informing them about the European initiatives in the academic field.
Suad Al Darra is a Research Software Engineer at Fujitsu Laboratories in Ireland. She is currently working on several research projects in the domain of data analytics and semantic web. She is winner of Mining Linked Data Challenge 2015 held at the Extended Semantic Web Conference. She holds a Bachelor of Information Technology Engineering from Damascus University in Syria since 2008. She is experienced in Software Engineering and has worked with several multinational companies among Syria, Saudi Arabia and Egypt. She started the Women Techmakers Group in Galway, Ireland, Google's international program to empower women in Tech, in addition to volunteering with CoderDojo Galway to teach web programming to kids. She is interested in Social Network Analysis studies and applications in order to find insights and solutions for the refugee crisis. She is preparing to start a postgraduate degree in this field with the Insight Center for Data Analytics at the National University of Ireland in Galway where she currently lives.

Alea López de San Román is policy officer for the League of European Research Universities (LERU). LERU is an association of twenty-one European universities renowned for, and devoted to, world class research coupled with high quality teaching. LERU promotes the role and values of research universities in the knowledge society across Europe and beyond. Its purpose is to advocate these values, influence policy in Europe and to promote good practice through members’ exchange of experience. A Graduate in Law and Political Science (UC3M, 2007), Alea holds a Master’s Degree in International Affairs (Universidad Pontificia de Comillas, 2012) and a Master’s in European Studies (KU Leuven, 2015). She was a visiting student at University College London (2004-2005), University of California Los Angeles (2006) and Georgetown University (2012). Her areas of expertise and research include international relations, foreign policy, EU research policy and EU science diplomacy. Alea has been with LERU since 2013 and is responsible for EU monitoring and policy development across different areas of LERU’s research and higher education related activities, in particular innovation and entrepreneurship, open access and text and data mining.

Inge Knudsen is a graduate of the University of Aarhus of English Philology and Comparative Literature (1981), where she taught at its Faculty of Arts, was Chairman of its Faculty Study Board, a member of the Board of the University and served on the Humanities and Theology
Planning Committee of the Danish Ministry of Education. Other university appointments included Head of Information, Head of the International Office, and representative on the Steering Committee of the Coimbra Group. Following a period in the ERASMUS Bureau in Brussels (1989-1993), she was appointed Director of the Confederation of European Union Rectors' Conferences (1994-2001), closely associated with the Bologna Process, being responsible for the Trends I and Trends II reports, and participated actively in the work of the Bologna Follow-Up Group. After four years as senior research programme manager at EUA, she worked as a consultant in 2005 before taking up the post as Director of the Coimbra Group Office in Brussels in January 2006. She has guest lectured at the Universities of Copenhagen, Cracow, Leuven and Louvain-la-Neuve in her areas of research, Renaissance drama and women writers in the 18th and 19th century.

**Dr Anette Pieper** has been Director of Projects at DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) since January 2015. She was previously Director of the Northern Hemisphere Department from 2012. Her international experience includes five years as director of the DAAD's regional offices in Costa Rica and Mexico as well as eight years of heading several divisions at the DAAD office in Bonn, Germany. From 2011 to 2012, she worked as a Consultant for Higher Education at the UNESCO in Paris. Before joining the DAAD, she was assistant director of a scholarship program at Bergen Community College in the United States. She holds a PhD in French literature and is the author of several articles on internationalisation and development cooperation in higher education.

**Prof Riccardo Pozzo** is Professor of the History of Philosophy at the Università di Verona. From 2009 to 2012 he was the Director of the Institute for the European Intellectual Lexicon and History of Ideas of the National Research Council of Italy (CNR). Since 2013 he has been directing the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Cultural Heritage of CNR. In 2012 he was elected to full member of the Institut International de Philosophie. He currently serves as member of the H2020 Programme Committee Configuration Research Infrastructures and of the Scientific Review Group for the Humanities of ESF as well as and chair of the World Congress of Philosophy Beijing 2018 program committee. A specialist of intercultural relations, he is the coordinator of the Italian project Mediterranean Migration Studies.
Borbála Szigeti graduated as a lawyer in Hungary and works in the European Commission over ten years on various posts related to migration. She has drafted and negotiated the Single Permit Directive and was responsible for the implementation of the Family reunification Directive and the EU Long term residents Directive - all relevant as regards the rights of third-country nationals. Currently works for the Asylum Unit in DG HOME and is responsible for the implementation of the Qualification Directive and for coordinating policy relating to access to the labour market of asylum seekers and refugees.

Michail S. Kosmidis works as Head of Migration Policy Unit at the Greek Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reconstruction. He is responsible for legal and operational issues related to EU and national legislation on legal migration, Deputy Member of the European Migration Network Steering Board (EMN), and Head of the Delegation to the WG for Integration, Migration and Expulsion of the Council of EU which he also Chaired during the Greek Presidency of the Council of EU in the first semester 2014. In 2004-2010 Mr Kosmidis has been posted as Home Affairs Counsellor (CONS JAI) at the Greek Permanent Representation to the European Union responsible for issues on legal migration, integration, free movement and fundamental rights. He studied modern history at the University of Athens and holds an MSs in Diplomatic History; He is also a graduate of the National School of Public Administration and Local Government. Currently, he is working on is Phd Thesis on EU migration policies at Panteion University of Athens.

Maria Vincenza Desiderio is a Policy Analyst at MPI Europe. Her work focuses on economic migration, immigrant integration, foreign credentials recognition, and the linkages between migration and development. She is also a Nonresident Fellow with the Migration Policy Institute. Prior to joining MPI Europe, Ms. Desiderio served for four years as a Policy Analyst in the International Migration Division of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), where she contributed to the OECD flagship publication International Migration Outlook (the 2009-12 editions). She also worked as a Research Officer at the International Organization for Migration (2012-13), where she coordinated the research activities of the Independent Network of Labour Migration and Labour Market Integration Experts (LINET), aimed at supporting the European Commission’s decisionmaking in the field of migration. Ms. Desiderio has carried out research and published on a broad range of migration issues including: labor migration; migrant entrepreneurship; the effects of the establishment of
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free labor mobility areas on international migration, with particular focus on the labor market consequences of the enlargements of the EU free mobility area; the relative role of migration for addressing labor and skills shortages in the European Union; and practices of access to labor market information in migrant employment and of recognition of foreign qualifications in EU and OECD countries. Ms. Desiderio holds a master’s degree with honors in international relations, with specialization in European economic policy and the role of migration, and a bachelor’s degree in political sciences, both from the University of Rome, La Sapienza. She also earned a certificate in asylum law and international law.

Prof Carmen Bachmann holds the Chair of Business Administration and Tax Management since she joined the University of Leipzig (Germany) in May 2013. Prior to this, she was assistant/associate professor at the University of Augsburg (between October 2004 and March 2013) and completed different research stays abroad, amongst others at the Waseda University (Japan). Her research focuses primarily on the influence of taxation on corporate decisions. Besides her research activities, she has launched the website www.chance-for-science.de in September 2015. The online platform is meant to establish contact between German researchers and refugee researchers, to help the latter continue their work in Germany. The portal enables refugee researchers and scientists from German universities/institutions to create profiles that display information concerning their previous research within their respective discipline. Similar to a social network, the portal allows its users to get in touch with each other. The refugee researchers can be integrated into the scientific discourse by offering them access to libraries, invitations to academic events, guest lectures at universities, joint authorship of academic publications, and occasional Skype meetings to promote scientific exchange.

Anna Schmauder is a recently graduated student of Political Science from Heidelberg, Germany. Her interests lie in the fields of foreign policy, conflict research, and mediation. She is currently working as a research assistant for a member of German parliament and is a founding member of and speaker for the "Offene Uni Heidelberg" (Open University Heidelberg) initiative. This initiative advocates easier access to university courses for refugees (in Heidelberg).

Elke Dall is Head of Department “Research Policy and Development” and Board Member at the Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI), based in Vienna, Austria. She studied Sociology at the University of Vienna and has a background in research on networked organisations,
quantitative and qualitative evaluation and in the field of S&T and innovation policy analysis. At the Centre for Social Innovation, she is deeply involved in projects funded by the European Commission related to international S&T cooperation. She developed the "Science in Asylum" initiative in cooperation with the ZSI department "Labour Market and Equal Opportunities" which has a rich expertise in migration research. The programme for highly skilled refugees establishes information sessions, joint publications and mentoring and networking opportunities. Ms. Dall also teaches in several post-graduate and graduate courses, mainly about the EU RTDI funding possibilities and project management, and she is actively involved in RTDI strategy development and policy dialogue with a particular focus on South East Europe and the Danube Region.

Dr Mike Hardman obtained his BMedSci and MBChB from Sheffield University. He trained in General Medicine (MRCP) and Clinical Pharmacology in Sheffield, Munich and Oxford. He was awarded his MD from the University of Sheffield. After 10 years of clinical practice and research he joined ICI Pharmaceuticals. For 25 years he has worked in all stages of drug development across several therapeutic areas in the UK, Germany and Japan. He is currently VP IMI Collaborations AstraZeneca IMED. He is a Fellow of the UK Faculty of Pharmaceutical Medicine, and Coordinator of the IMI European Medicines Research Training Network (EMTRAIN) project, The IMI EMTRAIN project has developed various tools: on-course (catalogue); LifeTrain (competency profiles); and a toolkit for trainers to support the European biomedical science community. These can be used/modified to support the Migration challenge.

Bodo Richter is Deputy Head of Unit – Innovation in education; European Institute of Innovation and Technology and Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions. Bodo Richter joined the European Commission in 1997. He has worked in the Directorates-General for Employment and Social Affairs as well as Education and Culture in the areas of training, communication, innovation, higher education and international organisations. Prior to taking his current assignment as deputy head of unit, Bodo was in charge of international education and training policy development with industrialised countries, in particular the EU-U.S. and EU-Canada co-operation agreements as well as the co-operation programmes with Australia and New Zealand. Currently, his main task is to drive the political strategy of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions (MSCA) as well as related aspects in the fields of mobility, training and career
development of researchers, and to supervise the Research Executive Agency for all aspects related to the implementation of the MSCA and their legacy. He studied at the University of Mannheim (Germany) and at the University of Waterloo (ON, Canada), specialising in French, Italian and German languages and literatures. Prior to joining the European Commission, Bodo worked for the German Ministry of Education on EU programmes in the fields of education, training, science and research and was a high school teacher and university research assistant in France, Canada and Germany.

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Session 3: Integration and Societal Impacts of Migration

Elisabeth Lipiatou is Head of Unit of the Open and inclusive Societies unit at Research and Innovation Directorate General of the European Commission. The unit deals with social, economic and human sciences with emphasis on migration, employment, inequalities, cultures and global justice. Previously, she was Head of Unit of the European Neighbourhood, Africa and Gulf unit contributing to the EU international cooperation policy objectives on research and innovation. Until December 2010, she led the Unit of Climate Change and Environmental Risks and she was involved in climate science negotiations and international climate policy interface. Elisabeth Lipiatou has more than twenty years of experience in managing science-policy interface at the European Commission. She has ten years of academic experience in various universities and research centers, including the Centro de Investigacion y Dessarrollo in Barcelona, Spain, the École Normale Supérieure in Paris, France, and the University of Minnesota, USA, and a Doctorate Degree from the University Pierre and Marie Curie in Paris.

Em Prof Rinus Penninx is emeritus professor of Ethnic Studies of the University of Amsterdam. He has been involved in the field of migration and settlement of immigrants in several capacities. His report `Ethnic Minorities’ (1979) formed the starting point for integration policies in the Netherlands. From 1978 to 1988 he worked in Dutch Ministries in research and policy making on integration of immigrants in the Netherlands. He founded the Institute for
Migration and Ethnic Studies at the University of Amsterdam in 1993 and was its director till 2005. From 1999 to 2009 he was co-chair of the International Metropolis project. He was coordinator of the IMISCOE Network of Excellence (2004-2009) and the IMISCOE Research Network (2009-2014). His recent publications in English include ‘Migration Policymaking in Europe’ (with Giovanna Zincone and Maren Borkert), AUP 2011; ‘Integrating Immigrants in Europe: Research-Policy Dialogues (with Peter Scholten, Han Entzinger and Stijn Verbeek), Springer Open 2015 and ‘Integration Processes and Policies in Europe; Contexts, Levels and Actors’ (with Blanca Garces-Mascarenas), Springer Open 2015.

Dr Peter Huber, is a senior researcher at the Austrian Institute of Economic Research. He studied Economics at the University of Economics and Business Administration in Vienna, the University of Insbruck and the Institute of Advanced Studies, Vienna where he also worked as a research assistant. Since 1998 he is working at the Austrian Institute of Economic Research where he also was vice-director for external co-ordination from 2012-2014. Since 2010 he is also a lecturer at Mendel University in Brno. His main research interests are in regional economics and the analysis of migration and commuting patterns in Europe.

Prof Gianni D’Amato Gianni D’Amato is Professor at the University of Neuchâtel and Director of the Swiss Forum of Migration and Population Studies (SFM). He is also Director of the National Center of Competence in Research on Migration and Mobility (http://nccr-onthemove.ch) and member of the Expert Council of German Foundations on Migration and Integration (http://svr-migration.de/). His research interests are focused on citizenship, mobilities, populism and the history of migration. His recent publications include Critical Mobilities (ed. together with Ola Söderström, Shalini Randeria, Didier Ruedin and Francesco Panese). Oxford: Routledge, 2013, and The Politicization of Migration (edited together with Wouter van den Brug, Didier Ruedin and Jost Berkhout). London: Routledge, 2015

Dr Myria Georgiou is Assoc. Professor and Deputy Head of the Dept of Media and Communications, LSE. Dr Georgiou has a PhD in Sociology (LSE), an MSc in Journalism (Boston University) and a BA in Sociology (Panteion University, Athens). Her research focuses on migration and diaspora, media and the city, and the ways in which media contribute to the constructions and management of cultural diversity. For more than 20 years she has been conducting and leading cross-national and transurban research across Europe and between British and American cities. She has also worked as a journalist for BBC World Service, Greek press, and the Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation.

Session 4: Health and Migration

Dr. María Luisa Vázquez, MD, PhD, MSc, is head of the Health Policy Research Unit of the Consortium for Health and Social Care of Catalonia and coordinator of the Health Policy and Health Services Research Group. Before moving to Spain in 1998, she worked as researcher at the Institute of Tropical Hygiene and Public Health (University of Heidelberg) and as lecturer at the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine (UK). During the last 30 years, she has conducted research on health systems and policy in Latin America and Europe, funded, among others, by the Spanish Ministry of Health and the European Commission (she currently coordinates the project Equity-LA II EC-FP7-GA 305197). She aims to contribute to public health systems strengthening and to universal access to healthcare by providing evidence to inform policy. Her research focuses on integration of healthcare and its implication for access, equity and quality, particularly for vulnerable populations. In the field of migrants’ health, she focuses on the provision of care, analysing the policy responses to the challenge of providing care to a diverse population and ensuring equitable access to quality healthcare.
Dr Apostolos Veizis is a Medical Doctor (General Practitioner). Since 2004 he has been working at the Headquarters of Médecins Sans Frontières - Greek Section - as the Director of the Medical Operational Support Unit. Prior to that, he worked as Head of Mission and Medical Coordinator for Médecins Sans Frontières and Médecins Du Monde in Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Russia, Albania, Egypt, Georgia, Greece, Turkey. He also participated to assessment and emergency assignments and evaluations in Kyrgyzstan, Morocco, Armenia, Cyprus, Lebanon, Syria, Ukraine, Turkmenistan, Zambia, Malawi, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan. He participated and had announcements in international and national medical congresses and contributed to the publication of relevant articles.

Dr Manuel Carballo is an epidemiologist specialised in migration and migrant health. He is Executive Director of the International Centre for Migration Health and Development in Geneva (ICMHD). Prior to joining ICMHD, he held a number of senior scientist positions at WHO. He was Coordinator of the first International Study on Breastfeeding and Child and Maternal Health. In 1986, he was one of the three-person team asked to develop the WHO Global Program on AIDS where he remained until 1991 as Chief of Behavioural Research. From 1993 to 1995 he served as the WHO Public Health Adviser to Bosnia during the Balkan war based in Sarajevo. At ICMHD he has coordinated major studies on issues such as the impact of war on maternal and child health, forced displacement and the elderly, healthcare and social integration of migrants, migration and diabetes, psychosocial health of displaced populations, and the impact of migration on viral hepatitis. He is a technical adviser to the ECDC, the Council of Europe, WHO/EURO and UNAIDS on migration and health. He is currently on the International Scientific Advisory Board of the Dasman Diabetes Institute in Kuwait and is involved in establishing a new public health research initiative there.

Dr Marie Nørredam is an MD, PhD, DMSc and associate professor at the Danish Research Centre for Migration, Ethnicity and Health at the Department of Public Health, University of Copenhagen, a Centre which she founded together with Professor Allan Krasnik. She is also the founder and chairman of the Danish Society of Immigrant Health, which is a cross-disciplinary and cross-sectional society working with health problems and access to care for immigrants and refugees. Marie Nørredam teaches university courses in migration and health at PhD and undergraduate level and has written more than 70 peer-reviewed international articles, as well as book chapters mainly related to issues of migration and health. She is a research associate at
Oxford Centre for Refugee Studies, and a member of several steering committees of clinics and hospital units working with migrant’s access to health care and rehabilitation.

**Prof Kate O’Donnell** is Professor of Primary Care R&D, University of Glasgow, Scotland. Her research programme focuses on the organisation and delivery of primary care services, particularly for marginalised populations, and the evaluation and routinisation of primary care policy into practice. Prof O’Donnell has led work looking at asylum seekers', refugees' and migrants' use and expectations of primary care in Scotland and developed training materials for working with interpreters, now being used in the Scottish health service. As part of an EU FP7 project RESTORE (http://www.fp7restore.eu/), which focussed on cross-cultural communication in primary care, she examined how primary care policies and context can support or prevent the implementation of interpreting services. She has supervised many PhD, MD and Masters students, several of whom focussed on issues of migrant health. She is on the Advisory Board of the Glasgow Refugee, Asylum and Migration Network, an innovative partnership of academics, practitioners, NGOs and policy makers in Scotland (http://www.gla.ac.uk/research/az/gramnet/about/). She is also a member of the Advisory Board for the European Forum for Primary Care, and in-coming Chair for the Society for Academic Primary Care.

**Michel Pletschette**, MD (Vienna 1983), M.Sc. (London 1986), DTM&H, FRCP. He has been trained in microbiology and infectious diseases before joining the European Commission in 1992 to work on research collaboration with developing countries where he also gathered experience in setting up projects in health research across the Mediterranean. He presently works in the Directorate General for Health and Food Safety, in charge of evaluation and strategic advice.
Session 5: Climate Change and Migration

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