

Robert Schuman Centre: Joint Sessions of Workshops

5. Ethical dilemmas in migration and citizenship policies: characteristics, variations, causes and responses

17-21 June 2024

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Introduction

This workshop takes place 18-20 June as one of six Joint Sessions of Workshops in the frame of the EUI's Robert Schuman Centre's 30th Anniversary Conference (17-21 June), analysing ethical dilemmas in policymaking on international migration and citizenship.

We define a hard ethical policy dilemma as involving a conflict between morally worthy goals that need to be addressed but cannot be fully resolved through policy responses. We invite papers from social scientists, political theorists, legal scholars, and historians to identify and analyse the characteristics, variations, and causes of migration and citizenship policy dilemmas, and to explore possible responses.

The workshop is situated in the context of the project [The Ethics of Migration Policy Dilemmas](#) (short: 'Dilemmas'), which aims to adopt a bottom-up approach in identifying specific policy dilemmas of central relevance to policymakers and other stakeholders in the field. 'Dilemmas' seeks to enter dialogue with policymakers and stakeholders, striving to learn more about the normative challenges they are presented with, and endeavouring to supply theoretically and empirically grounded arguments by scholars of different specialisations to help navigate such challenges. We hope to establish a feedback loop between academic analysis and political practice to improve each through the other. Ultimately, we aim to overcome polarisation in academic and policy debates on migration resulting from actors' commitment to a particular partisan stance without considering conflicting goals and values.

This workshop is intended to present an opportunity to build on and expand this new research agenda, in particular by placing a stronger focus on ethical dilemmas relating to citizenship, linking these debates to broader questions of migration policy, and by engaging in a critical discussion about the democratic challenges associated with politically resolving (or even just talking about) dilemmas. We aim to explore the possibility of bundling (some of) the papers workshopped at these Joint Sessions in a special journal issue on 'dilemmas.'



Programme

17 June

Room: Refectory, Badia Fiesolana

14:30-15:00

Welcome & opening

Patrizia Nanz | President, European University Institute

Erik Jones | Director, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute

15:00-16:00

Introduction to workshops

Erik Jones | European University Institute

1. [Gender analysis in EU political economy: A new research agenda?](#)
 2. [European Union's Eastern enlargement\(s\): Lessons, challenges, prospects](#)
 3. [The role of carbon markets in reaching carbon neutrality: International perspectives](#)
 4. [The EU's long crisis decade: Causes, consequences, and path dependencies](#)
 5. [Ethical dilemmas in migration and citizenship policies: Characteristics, variations, causes and responses](#)
 6. [From technology adoption to societal outcomes: Developing measures of the digital transformation](#)
- Convenors of the workshops

16:00-16:30

Coffee break (Lower Loggia)

16:30-16:50

Ceremony

GLOBALCIT – Rainer Bauböck 2024 Essay Award on the Global State of Citizenship

Maarten Vink | European University Institute

Rainer Bauböck | European University Institute

Winner of the award: **Roberto Ramos Obando** | Max Planck Institute for Tax Law and Public Finance, Munich

16:50-17:35

'Federalisation vs Sovereignty: Countervailing Forces in the European Union', keynote speech by **Adrienne Héritier** | European University Institute

17:35-18:00

Q&A

Moderator: **Erik Jones** | European University Institute

18:00-19:00

Reception (Lower Loggia)

18 June

Room: Cappella, Villa Schifanoia

09:30-10:00

Introduction to the workshop – aims and objectives

Panel 1: Migration and mobility

10:00-11:00

The value of mobility for those aspiring to be immobile: a non-perfectionist defence

Takeshi Miyai | Seikei University

11:00-11:30

Coffee break (Sala Bandiere)

Panel 2: Refugees

- 11:30-12:30 An (un)conditional welcome: the dilemma of refugee incorporation policy
Tamar de Waal | University of Amsterdam
- 13:00-14:00 *Lunch (Sala Bandiere)*
- 14:00-15:00 Solidarity dilemmas in refugee policy making: what can the EU learn from solidarity initiatives at the national and international level?
Eiko Thielemann | London School of Economics
- 15:30-16:00 *Coffee break (Sala Bandiere)*

19 June

Room: Cappella, Villa Schifanoia

Panel 3: Citizenship

- 09:30-10:30 Citizenship as reparations: ethical and legal dilemmas
Peter Szigeti | University of Alberta
- 10:30-11:30 How thick is blood? The biopolitics of citizenship transmission in the EU
Ashley Mantha-Hollands | European University Institute
Jelena Džankić | European University Institute
- 11:30-12:00 *Coffee break (Sala Bandiere)*
- 12:00-13:00 Ethical dilemmas of being political: war-driven displacement and conflicting perceptions of the value of citizenship
Natalia Dziadyk | Central European University
- 13:30-14:30 *Lunch (Sala Bandiere)*

Panel 4: Settlement and inclusion

- 14:30-15:30 Immigration regimes, strategies of navigation, and ethical dilemmas among legal-administrative intermediaries in Italy
Paola Bonizzoni | University of Milan
Fabio De Blasis | University of Milan
Giacomo Lampredi | University of Milan
- 15:30-16:00 *Coffee break (Sala Bandiere)*
- 16:00-17:00 The ethical dilemma of religious Turkish neighbourhood representatives in Konya in their reception of Turkey's Syrian refugees
Friedrich Püttmann | London School of Economics

20 June

Room: Cappella, Villa Schifanoia

Panel 5: Asylum and inequalities

- 09:30-10:30 Distributing time in migration systems: thinking through the backlog dilemma

Anna Closas | UC Berkeley

10:30-11:30 The border policy dilemma of the digitally visible asylum seeker
Ivan Josipovic | University of Vienna

11:30-12:00 *Coffee break (Sala Bandiere)*

12:00-13:00 The European socioeconomic dilemma: a tripartite approach to domestic and global inequalities through migration policy
Dimitrios Efthymiou | Goethe University Frankfurt

13:30-14:30 *Lunch (Sala Bandiere)*

14:30-16:30 General discussion

18:00 *BBQ and party (Villa Schifanoia)*

21 June

Room: Refectory, Badia Fiesolana

09:30-11:00 Reports from workshops

Convenors of the workshops

11:00-11:30 *Coffee break (Lower Loggia)*

11:30-12:15 'The imagined geographies of European crises', keynote speech by **Luiza Bialasiewicz** | University of Amsterdam

12:15-12:45 Q&A
Moderator: **Erik Jones** | European University Institute

12:45-13:00 Closing

13:00 *Lunch (Lower Loggia)*