

## FINAL PROGRAMME

DAY 1 - 30 JUNE (TUESDAY)	
09:00 – 09:30	WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS
09:30 – 11:15	<b>KEYNOTE 1</b> <b>FILM SCREENING “LES MAIRUWAS”</b>
	Chairperson : Dorte Thorsen
	Trond Waage Visual Cultural Studies, University of Tromsø, Norway
11:15 – 11:30	<b>TEA BREAK</b>
11:30 – 13:15	<b>SESSION 1</b> <b>GENDER DYNAMICS IN LABOUR MARKETS - I</b>
	Chairperson : Tsun-Ling Lee
11:30 – 11:50	Mariama Awumbila, Joseph Teye & Joseph Yaro Centre for Migration Studies, University of Ghana <b>Gendered Dynamics of Migrant Domestic Work in Accra, Ghana</b>
11:50 – 12:10	Thao Thi Thanh Dang & Paul Henman School of Social Science, The University of Queensland, Australia <b>The Gendered Lived Work Experiences of Young Rural-Urban Migrants in Hanoi</b>
12:10 – 12:30	Stanford T. Mahati Centre for Social Science and Research, University of Cape Town, South Africa <b>Gendered Representations of Zimbabwean Independent Young Female Migrants Negotiating for Livelihood in a South African Border Town</b>
12:30 – 12:45	Discussant : Hania Zlotnik
12:45 – 13:15	Questions & discussion
13:15 – 14:15	<b>LUNCH</b>
14:15 – 16:00	<b>SESSION 2</b> <b>GENDER DYNAMICS IN LABOUR MARKETS - II</b>
	Chairperson : Michiel Baas
14:15 - 14:35	Binitha V Thampi & Banti Deori Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, India <b>‘Aesthetic Labour’ in the Emerging Labour market: A Case Study on Female Labour Migrants from North Eastern India to the Metropolitan Cities of Chennai and Bangalore, India</b>
14:35 – 14:55	Panchali Ray School of Women’s Studies, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India <b>Shaping the Profession: The Politics of Migration and Care-Giving in Contemporary Kolkata</b>
14:55 – 15:15	Susanne Y P Choi The Chinese University of Hong Kong <b>Stuck and Suck: Migration, Service Work, and Masculinity of Taxi Drivers in China</b>
15:15 – 15:30	Discussant : Linda Oucho
15:30 – 16:00	Questions & Comments
16:00 – 16:30	<b>TEA BREAK</b>

<b>16:30 – 18:15</b>	<b>SESSION 3 LABOUR AND MOBILITY REGIMES</b>
	Chairperson : Malini Sur
16:30 – 16:50	Pamungkas A. Dewanto Department of International Relations, Bina Nusantara University, Jakarta, Indonesia <b>Structural Exploitation of Indonesian Female Migrant Worker: A home country's perspective</b>
16:50 – 17:10	Katharine Jones Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations, Coventry University, UK <b>For a Fee: the business of recruiting female domestic workers from South Asia into private households in Jordan and Lebanon</b>
17:10 – 17:30	Maria Platt, Grace Baey, Brenda SA Yeoh, Khoo Choon Yen & Theodora Lam, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore <b>Gendered labour migration regimes in Singapore: Debt, precarity and strategy among male and female temporary labour migrants</b>
17:30 – 17:45	Discussant : Priya Deshingkar
17:45 – 18:15	Questions & Comments

<b>DAY 2 - 1 JULY (WEDNESDAY)</b>	
<b>09:00 – 10:45</b>	<b>KEYNOTE 2</b>
	Chairperson : Brenda Yeoh Saw Ai
	Deirdre McKay Social Geography and Environmental Politics, Keele University
<b>10:45 – 11:15</b>	<b>TEA BREAK</b>
<b>11:15 – 13:00</b>	<b>SESSION 4 EXPECTATIONS AND MORALITIES SURROUNDING REMITTANCES I</b>
	Chairperson : Bernardo Brown
11:15 – 11:35	Patience Mutopo & Upenyu Dzingirai University of Zimbabwe, and ACMS, South Africa. <b>Reflections on Gender Patterns of Migration in Zimbabwe: Understanding Remittance Behaviour and Social Networks: The Case of Chivi, Hurungwe and Gwanda Districts</b>
11:35 – 11:55	S. Rozana Rashid University of Dhaka and RMMRU, Bangladesh. <b>Gendered Practices and Expectations of Remittances: Evidences from Bangladesh</b>
11:55 -12:15	Dhiman Das Asia Research Institute, Singapore. <b>Male Migration and its Implication on Child Educational Inputs in India</b>
12:15 – 12:30	Discussant : Sallie Yea
12:30 – 13:00	Questions & Comments
<b>13:00 – 14:00</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>

<b>14:00 – 15:30</b>	<b>SESSION 5 EXPECTATIONS AND MORALITIES SURROUNDING REMITTANCES II</b>
	Chairperson : Mila Arlini
14:00 -14:20	Ishret Binte Wahid & Mohammed Kamruzzaman Gender Justice and Diversity, BRAC, Bangladesh <b>Migration, Muslim Women and Social Reproduction of Gender Inequality</b>
14:20 – 14:40	Matthew Maycock, University of Glasgow, UK <b>Masculinities, Remittances and Failure, narratives from far-west Nepal</b>
14:40 - 14:55	Discussant : Susanne Choi
14:55 – 15:30	Questions & comments
<b>15:30 – 16:00</b>	<b>TEA BREAK</b>
<b>16:00 – 18:00</b>	<b>SESSION 6 IMAGES OF GENDER, MIGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT</b>
	Chairperson : Teresita Cruz-Del Rosario
	MEDIA CLIPS & DOCUMENTARY
16:00 – 16:20	Debika Chatterjee & Pooja Sanghavi Mumbai Mobile Creches <b>Against the Odds</b>
16:20 – 16:40	Dipesh Kharel University of Tokyo, Japan <b>After Ram Left Home: Visual Ethnography of the Nepali migration to Japan</b>
16:40 – 17:00	Tyas Retno Wulan & Sri Wijayanti Center of Research for Gender, Children and Community Service, Jenderal Soedirman University, Indonesia <b>From Zero to Hero: Strengthening Social and Economic Remittance as Strategy to the Empowerment of Indonesian Women Migrant Workers</b>
17:00 – 17:30	Questions & comments
	EXHIBITION
17:30 – 18:00	Jo Vearey, Elsa Oliveira & Greta Schuler ACMS, South Africa. <b>MoVE (method:visual:explore)</b>
<b>19:00 – 21:00</b>	<b>CONFERENCE DINNER</b> - venue: JUMBO Seafood @ Dempsey

DAY 3 - 2 JULY (THURSDAY)	
<b>9.00 – 10:30</b>	<b>POLICY ROUNDTABLE – I GENDER DYNAMICS IN LABOUR MARKETS</b>
	Chairperson : Peter Evans
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Igor Bosc, International Labour Organisation (ILO)</li> <li>2. Yuko Hamada, International Organization for Migration (IOM) Asia and the Pacific Region</li> <li>3. Bandana Pattanaik, Global Alliance Against Trafficking in Women (GAATW)</li> <li>4. Anja Wessels, Truls Østbye and Jolovan Wham, Humanitarian Organization for Migration Economics (HOME)</li> </ol>
	QUESTIONS & COMMENTS
<b>10:30 – 11:00</b>	<b>TEA BREAK</b>
<b>11:00 – 12:30</b>	<b>POLICY ROUNDTABLE – II EXPECTATIONS AND MORALITIES SURROUNDING REMITTANCES</b>
	Chairperson : L. Alan Winters
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dilip Ratha, World Bank</li> <li>2. Endang Sugiyarto, MOOP, University of Sussex</li> <li>3. Guntur Sugiyarto, Asia Development Bank (ADB)</li> <li>4. Rosemary Vargas-Lundius, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)</li> </ol>
	QUESTIONS & COMMENTS
<b>12:30 – 13:00</b>	<b>CLOSING REMARKS : Dorte Thorsen</b>
<b>13:00 – 14:00</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>

**ARI ASIA TRENDS SYMPOSIUM – Evening Event**

**Thurs 2 July 18:30 – 20:30** (venue: \*SCAPE)

***En route to the departure hall: how migrants navigate recruitment processes***

*Synopsis*

Somewhere in Indonesia, a woman is speaking to a labour recruiter, trying to choose between staying at home and leaving to earn her livelihood in another country. In Bangladesh, a man is making his way to a training centre, intent on learning the necessary skills that will speed him to work overseas. Migrants are moved by hope: to remit money to educate their children and save for their families, and to lay the foundations for a future that they aspire towards. But the decision to migrate for work can often be a huge gamble, especially for those who are compelled to do so by prevailing economic insecurity. Before boarding a plane, migrants may face high placement fees, opaque bureaucratic processes, demanding training procedures, and powerful worries about the unknown. Given these barriers, what dreams spur men and women across borders?

To facilitate this growing trend of transnational migration, a lucrative migration industry has sprung up. Migrants rely on a series of brokers, sponsors, agents, and trainers to help them through its bewildering processes. What are some unregulated gaps within the industry which may lead to exploitative practices? How do recruitment agents shape migrant mobilities? How do migrants make their way through these possible pitfalls? And what is the way forward? This public symposium offers a comparative perspective on various issues and challenges concerning the recruitment of low-waged migrant labour in Asia.