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Assessing the production and impact of migration narratives

BRIDGES Final Conference

Discussing migration narratives' policy and societal implications

1 February 2024

**Venue: Les Ateliers des Tanneurs
Rue des Tanneurs 60A, 1000 Bruxelles**

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Programme

09.00-09.15 **Welcome remarks**

- **Blanca Garcés**, BRIDGES Coordinator, Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB)
- **Ferruccio Pastore**, BRIDGES Co-coordinator, International and European Forum for Migration Research (FIERI)

09.15-10:45 **Discussing BRIDGES research results (I)**

- *The importance of explaining narrative success*
Blanca Garcés, Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB)
Ferruccio Pastore, International and European Forum for Migration Research (FIERI)
- *The production of migration narratives in the (social) media*
Marcello Maneri, International and European Forum for Migration Research (FIERI)
- *Alternative migration narratives from the civil society*
Bastian Vollmer, Catholic University of Applied Sciences Mainz (CUAS Mainz)

Discussants:

- **Andrew Geddes**, Director of the Migration Policy Centre, European University Institute
- **Hélène Thiollet**, CNRS Researcher at the Center for International Studies, Sciences Po
- **Guido Tintori**, Economic Affairs Officer, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe

Moderated by: **Berta Güell**, Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB)

10.45-11:15 *Coffee break*



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11:15-13:00 **Discussing BRIDGES research results (II)**

- *The impact of migration narratives on individuals' attitudes*
José Pizarro, Pompeu Fabra University (UPF)
- *The impact of migration narratives on potential migrants*
Florian Trauner, Interdisciplinary Centre of Expertise on Migration and Minorities (BIRMM), Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB)
- *The impact of migration narratives in national policy-making*
Saskia Smellie, University of Edinburgh (UEDIN)
- *The impact of migration narratives in EU policy-making*
Giulia Daga, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

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Moderated by: **Jan-Paul Brekke**, Institute for Social Research (ISF)

13:00-14:00 *Lunch break*

14:00-14:45 **Connecting EU-funded research: a dialogue with sister projects**

- ITHACA, Interconnecting Histories and Archives for Migrant Agency
Matteo Al Kalak, Università degli Studi di Modena e Reggio Emilia
- OPPORTUNITIES for a fair narrative on migration
Roy Sommer, University of Wuppertal

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14:45-15:00 *Break*

15:00-17:00 **Bridging research and policymaking: “Migration and the European elections: how to go beyond polarising campaigns?”**

Panellists:

- **Tineke Strik**, Member of the European Parliament
- **Juan Fernando López Aguilar**, Member of the European Parliament
- **Blanca Garcés**, Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB)
- **Virginie Guiraudon**, Sciences Po
- **Francesco Vigneri**, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

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17:00 – 17:15: *Coffee break*

17:15-18:15: **Co-producing alternative migration narratives**

Presented by: **Berta Güell**, Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB)

In conversation with:

- **Giulia Tornari**, ZONA
- **Lucila Rodríguez**, porCausa
- **Raquel Delgado**, Contorno Urbano / Hip Hop Works

18:30-20:00 **Opening of BRIDGES photo exhibition ‘Out of Frame: Rethinking the visual narratives of migrations in Europe’**

Venue: Géopolis (Rue des Tanneurs 58, 1000 Brussels)

