

Pathways, Circuits and Crossroads: International Migration in Uncertain Times

OVERVIEW

The annual meeting of several research programmes dealing with processes and policies of relevance to New Zealand's international migration system will be held on 2-4 November 2009 at Te Papa Tongarewa, the Museum of New Zealand, in Wellington.

The 2009 meeting is being organised by the University of Waikato's Population Studies Centre in collaboration with the Department of Labour, Monash University's Institute for the Study of Global Movements (Melbourne) and Massey University's Integration of Immigrants Programme.

THE THEMES FOR THE THREE DAYS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

■ 2 November

*International Migration and the Economy:
Reflections and Responses*

■ 3 November

*Evaluating Migration Policy: Longitudinal Surveys
and Seasonal Migration Schemes*

■ 4 November

Migration, Risk and Uncertainty in Specific Contexts

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

There is no registration fee for this meeting.

To register for this event please email Muriaroha Muntz at murim@waikato.ac.nz.



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KEY INTERNATIONAL SPEAKERS



Arthur Sweetman is an economist and a Professor in the School of Policy Studies at Queen’s University, Canada. He is cross-appointed in the Departments of Economics, and Community Health and Epidemiology. His research interests are broad, but primarily involve empirical issues in the areas of immigration, education, labour market and health policy.



Stephen Castles is Research Professor of Sociology at the University of Sydney and Associate Director of the International Migration Institute (IMI), University of Oxford. Until August 2009 he was Professor of Migration and Refugee Studies at the University of Oxford and Director of IMI. He is a sociologist and political economist, and works on international migration dynamics, global governance, migration and development, and regional migration trends in Africa, Asia and Europe.



Lesleyanne Hawthorne is Professor and Associate Dean International at the University of Melbourne. She has researched global skill migration for the past twenty years, including policy formation and flows, foreign credential recognition, and the determinants of labour market integration across the major professional fields. In 2005-06 she was invited by Australia’s Federal Cabinet to co-author the most extensive review of Australia’s skill migration program since 1988 (the current basis of Australian policy) and in 2009 she was invited by the UK government to participate in their internal skill migration policy review.



Ellie Vasta was until recently a Senior Researcher and Programme Head at the Centre on Migration, Policy and Society, University of Oxford. She is now a research fellow at the Centre for Cultural Research at the University of Western Sydney. Her recent research has focused mainly on immigrant work strategies and networks, on diversity, multiculturalism and social solidarity, and on the relationship between transnationalism and integration. She works on the themes of identity and community, immigrant participation and racism.



Graeme Hugo is University Professorial Research Fellow, Professor of the Department of Geographical and Environmental Studies and Director of the National Centre for Social Applications of Geographic Information Systems at the University of Adelaide. His research interests are in population issues in Australia and South East Asia, especially migration and he has recently completed a major report on migration and climate change for the Asian Development Bank.

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MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER

International migration and the economy: reflections and responses

- 9.00–9.30 Opening remarks
John Nieuwenhuysen (Monash University, Melbourne)
and Richard Bedford (University of Waikato)
ADDRESS: Minister of Immigration, Hon. Dr Jonathan Coleman
- Session One: Economic Impacts of Immigration**
- 9.30–10.15 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS:** The impacts of immigration on the receiving economy
Arthur Sweetman (Queen's University, Canada)
- 10.15–10.45 *Refreshment break*
- Session Two: New Zealand Research on the Economic Impacts of Immigration**
- 10.45–11.15 The economic impacts of immigration: scenarios using a
Computable General Equilibrium Model of the New Zealand economy
Ganesh Nana (BERL, presenting for Nana and K. Sanderson)
- 11.15–11.45 New Zealand evidence on the association between immigration and innovation
Dave Maré (Motu, presenting for Maré, R. Fabling and S. Stillman)
- 11.45–12.15 2005–2009 NZ research on the economic impacts of immigration: a synthesis and
research agenda
Jacques Poot (University of Waikato, presenting for R. Hodgson and Poot)
- 12.15–12.30 Comments on the NZ research
Arthur Sweetman (Queen's University, Canada)
- 12.30–12.45 General discussion
- 12.45–1.30 *Lunch*
- Session Three: Integration of immigrants: NZ and Australian perspectives**
- 1.30–2.00 Is migrant human capital fully utilised? An analysis of migrant/non-migrant
differences in educational qualifications across occupations
Jacques Poot and Steven Stillman (Motu)
- 2.00–2.30 Settlement strategies and outcomes: the experiences of immigrant
employers and employees in Auckland
Paul Spoonley, Carina Meares, Robin Peace (Massey University)
and Elsie Ho (University of Auckland)
- 2.30–3.00 Australia's immigration revolution and the public opinion
Andrew Markus (Monash University, Melbourne)
- 3.00–3.30 Response and discussion
- 3.30–4.00 *Refreshment break*
- Session Four: Migration and recession: reflections and responses**
- 4.00–4.45 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS:** Neo-liberalism's global workforce: the end of a dream?
Stephen Castles (University of Sydney and University of Oxford)
- 4.45–5.30 Response and discussion
- 5.30–6.00 *Refreshments*

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TUESDAY 3 NOVEMBER

Evaluating Migration Policy: Longitudinal Surveys and Seasonal Migration Schemes

- Session One: Longitudinal Surveys of Immigration: NZ, Australian, and Canadian perspectives**
- 9.00–9.45 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS:** Competitors and collaborators – skilled migration policy and outcomes in New Zealand, Australia and Canada
Lesleyanne Hawthorne (University of Melbourne)
- 9.45–10.15 Response and discussion
- 10.15–10.45 *Refreshment break*
- Session Two: Evaluating Policy: Immigrants, Seasonal Workers and International Students**
- 10.45–11.15 Location, location, location: immigrant experiences across New Zealand.
Colleen Ward (Victoria University of Wellington)
and Anne-Marie Masgoret (Department of Labour)
- 11.15–11.45 Positive Pacific immigrant and seasonal employment outcomes? Evidence from LisNZ waves 1 and 2, and the first two seasons of the RSE work policy
Richard Bedford (University of Waikato), Charlotte Bedford (University of Adelaide), Anne-Marie Masgoret, and Manuila Tausi (Department of Labour)
- 11.45–12.15 Housing and labour market outcomes for Australia's immigrants: a socioeconomic analysis of the 2006 census
A. Dharmalingam and Maryann Wulff (Monash University)
- 12.15–12.45 Temporary migrants in Australia: challenges for international students.
Danny Ong (Monash University)
- 12.45–1.30 *Lunch*
- Session Three: Seasonal migration of Pacific workers: Pacific perspectives**
- 1.30–2.00 RSE: A Falealili perspective
Tuatagaloa Joe Ananndale (Poutasi Village, Samoa)
- 2.00–2.30 RSE: a perspective from Vanuatu
Sylvie Kalmut (Department of Labour, Vanuatu)
- 2.30–3.00 RSE: a perspective from Tonga
Kolotia Fotu (Ministry of Labour, Commerce and Industries, Tonga)
- 3.00–3.30 Response and discussion
- 3.30–4.00 *Refreshment break*
- Session Four: Seasonal migration of Pacific workers: evidence from recent research and evaluations**
- 4.00–4.30 The RSE scheme as a Pacific employment initiative: reflections on the participation of the kick-start states
Charlotte Bedford (University of Adelaide) and Ieti Lima (tbc)
- 4.30–5.00 Evaluation of the Recognised Seasonal Employer policy
Mathea Roorda (Evalue Research) and Sankar Ramasamy (Department of Labour)
- 5.00–5.30 Impacts of seasonal migration to New Zealand on households in Samoa, Tonga and Vanuatu
John Gibson (University of Waikato) with David McKenzie (World Bank NY), Hala Rohorua (University of Waikato) and Steven Stillman (Motu)
- 5.30–6.00 *Refreshments*

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WEDNESDAY 4 NOVEMBER

Migration, risk and uncertainty in specific contexts

Session One: Irregular, undocumented and refugee research: international and national perspectives

- 9.00–9.45 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS:** The Paper Market: ‘borrowing’ and ‘renting’ of identity documents
Ellie Vasta (COMPAS, Oxford University)
- 9.45–10.15 Response and discussion
- 10.15–10.45 *Refreshment break*
- 10.45–11.15 Out of sight/out of mind: the continuing practice of warehousing asylum seekers in Indonesia
Jessie Taylor (Monash University)
- 11.15–11.45 Expectations and realities: a prospective study of Bhutanese quota refugees before and after arrival in New Zealand
Vasantha Krishnan and Elizabeth Plumridge (Department of Labour)
- 11.45–12.15 Integration, community and identity: a presentation on the Quota Refugees Ten Years On research programme
Wendy Searle and Anna Gruner (Department of Labour)
- 12.15–12.45 The benefits of diversity
Fezeela Raza (Office of Ethnic Affairs)
- 12.45–1.30 pm *Lunch*

Session Two: Climate change and migration

- 1.30–2.15 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS:** Climate change and migration in the Asia Pacific region
Graeme Hugo, University of Adelaide
- 2.15–3.00 Response (a panel discussion)
- 3.00–3.30 *Refreshment break*
- 3.30–4.00 Climate change, relocation and Pacific Island communities
John Campbell (University of Waikato)
- 4.00–4.30 Climate change and migration: listening to the people’s voices
Kathryn Paton (Victoria University of Wellington)
- 4.30–5.00 Vulnerability to climate change in rural Vanuatu: the role of migration in community-based adaptation
Olivia Warrick (University of Waikato)
- 5.00 Closing remarks
John Nieuwenhuysen and Richard Bedford

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