

Open call:

Borders and Bridges: Migration and Transformation in Europe

Saarland University, in cooperation with **Vytautas Magnus University**, is pleased to invite you to the conference '**Borders and Bridges: Migration and Transformation in Europe**'.

The conference will focus on the question of

similarities and differences in the approaches (methodology) and research interests (thematic focus) in the fields of migration, border studies and transformation of the T4EU partner universities.

In view of the current geopolitical developments and the associated social changes, it is of central interest to exchange and further develop scientific findings and perspectives on the topics of 'borders, migration and transformation'. In addition, many of the Transform4Europe partner universities are located in border regions and have been dealing with the topics of migration and transformation of border region societies for years - it therefore makes sense to work more closely together in this area as well.

All those working in the fields of migration, transformation and border studies are invited to attend.

Date and place:

- Date: 09.09.2024-11.09.2024
- Location: Saarland University, Building C7 4. It will also be possible to attend the lectures online.

Aim of the conference:

The aim of the conference is to bring together researchers and students from the T4EU partner universities from different disciplines to discuss the different aspects of research on migration, transformation and border(drawing).

In addition to academic exchange, the aim is to promote exchange between the partner universities in particular. Therefore, in addition to lectures on the research topics, there will also be interactive workshop elements in which the researchers from the T4EU universities can familiarise themselves with the institutions of the other universities. In this way, future projects will be initiated and strengthened.

Call for papers:

We invite papers dealing with the following or related topics:

- Migration
- Social transformation
- Border Studies

You are also welcome to attend the conference without a paper of your own, and to share your experiences in the interactive formats and take part in the discussions.

Submission:

- An informal abstract (maximum 300 words) of the presentation should be emailed to elias.harth@uni-saarland.de by 01.08.2024.

- Please include your name, institutional affiliation and contact information in your submission.
- The submission must be written in English.

Miscellaneous:

Accommodation assistance can be provided, please contact: elias.harth@uni-saarland.de.

Contact:

For further information, please contact Elias Harth at elias.harth@uni-saarland.de.

We look forward to receiving your contributions and welcoming you to our conference!

Yours sincerely,

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