

10th International Conference



UNDERSTANDING VOLUNTARY AND FORCED MIGRATION

RESEARCH AND DATA NEEDS



To be held in-person at the University of Lille, LEM (France)



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The aim of this 10th Anniversary Edition of the conference is to bring together leading academic scientists and researchers, members of international organizations and data producers to exchange their experiences and to share their research findings on all aspects of voluntary and forced international migration. The conference also intends to detect the new needs in the field of the international migration analysis, to strengthen cooperation between participants and at the same time to reflect about the limits of current data used to study international migration and to discuss the different new data-gathering strategies.

The organizing committee invites the submission of high-quality academic papers that use different datasets (administrative, survey, experimental). Topics related to the voluntary and forced international migration include, but are not limited to:

What drives mobility and the choice of migratory routes?
Which factors and policies influence the quality of the socio-economic integration of migrants?
How does integration affect immigrants' health?
What shapes native-born individuals' attitudes toward migrants?
How do forced and voluntary migrants differ?
What do we know about climate-induced displacement and climate refugees?

Keynote speakers:

Anna Maria MAYDA, Georgetown University, USA

Nicola CONIGLIO, University of Bari, Italy

Esther ARENAS-ARROYO, Vienna University of Economics and Business, Austria

Abdurrahman AYDEMIR, Sabanci University, Istanbul, Turkey

A discussant will be assigned to each paper presented at the conference.

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If you would like to submit a paper (only full papers are accepted), please send a pdf file on understandingmigration@gmail.com

Authors will be notified about the acceptance of papers before April 1, 2026. You can also find more information on the conference web-page: https://lillemigration.univ-lille.fr/

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