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# Launch of Sussex Migration Research Group

The new Migration Research Group at the University of Sussex was launched at an inaugural workshop held on December 6-7, 1996. The formation of the group provides an opportunity to bring together faculty and researchers at Sussex working on migration themes, and is a first step on the road to establishing a 'Centre of Excellence' in migration studies at the university.

The Group's first workshop, on 'Southern Europe and the New Immigrations' was convened by Professor Russell King. It focused on the diversity of migration flows to southern Europe in recent years, and included presentations mainly by young European researchers on migrants in Spain, Portugal, Italy and Greece.

We extended a particularly warm welcome to our guests for this workshop - Jorge Malheiros, from the Universidade de Lisboa, Jacqueline Andall, from the University of Bath, and Gabriella Lazaridis, from the University of Dundee.

Revised versions of the workshop papers are expected to be published as a book by Sussex Academic Press, edited by Russell King and Richard Black.

#### **Future workshops**

It is intended to hold a workshop each term over the next two years. The next proposed workshop would be on the topic of "The end of temporary protection of refugees in western Europe", and is tentatively scheduled for 24-25 April.

The Group has funding for a total of six workshops over the next two years, and suggestions for future workshop topics are welcomed.

#### This newsletter

has been compiled by Richard Black (AFRAS) to start the process of bringing together research ideas, progress and conclusions within the University.

Suggestions for style or content of future newsletters, or offers of editorial services (!) would very much be appreciated!

#### For more information

about the Migration Research Group, or to put forward ideas for future workshops, please contact:

Professor Russell King, EURO Professor Ralph Grillo, CDE Professor Tony Fielding, SOC Dr Richard Black, AFRAS MIGRATION STUDIES AT SUSSEX

# New MA in Migration Studies

A Masters-level degree in Migration Studies - believed to be the first of its kind in the UK, is to take its first students in October 1997, after approval of the degree programme by the University.

The course is based in the Centre for the Comparative Study of Culture, Development and the Environment, and will include core courses on theories of migration, legal, human rights and policy issues, and methodologies in migration research, as well as options that currently include:

- Migration in Britain and Europe
- Migration in Japan and E Asia
- Refugees and Development
- · Identity, Difference and Conflict

The course is aimed at those wishing to pursue both research and policy-related careers in the field of migration, as well as those seeking an interdisciplinary course in a challenging new area of the social sciences.

More details are available from Julia Tingle in Arts C.

If you have news or information you would like to disseminate about migration research at Sussex, please contact the Group's convenors! MIGRATION RESEARCH

# Current research

A number of new and existing research projects are under way within the Migration Research Group, on a variety of themes:

# Migration in Europe and Japan

Tony Fielding is continuing his research on internal migration in Japan, in collaboration with colleagues at Ritsumeikan University, Japan. He is also editing a book entitled *People*, *Jobs and Mobility in the New Europe*, to be published early in 1997 by Wiley.

## International retirement migration

Russell King and Guy Patterson are mid-way through a research project on international retirement migration, funded by ESRC. The study covers Italy, Spain, Portugal, and Malta, A paper based on the research is forthcoming in European Urban and Regional Studies.

#### Return migration

Richard Black, Khalid Koser and Martha Walsh are currently working on a project examining the conditions for return of persons with 'temporary protection' in European Union countries, funded by the European Commission. A workshop on this theme will be held in April 1997, and a final report is due in the Autumn of 1997.

Also on the theme of return migration, Katy Gardner's book Global migrants, local lives (1995), includes analysis of return migration to rural Bangladesh, whilst Khalid Koser and Richard Black are editing a collection on *The end of the* 

refugee cycle?, on refugee repatriation and reconstruction.

# Refugees and environmental change

Richard Black's research on refugee migration and environmental change continues in the form of a UNHCR project on 'Sustainable environmental management practices in refugee-hosting areas'.

# Migration and cultural identity

Ralph Grillo is continuing his research on the problems of pluralism in Europe and elsewhere. Marie-Bénédicte Dembour is working on human rights, identity and issues of multiculturalism in Europe. And Katy Gardner continues her work with elders amongst the Bangladeshi community in the UK, funded by a Leverhulme fellowship.

#### RESEARCH FELLOWS

# Sussex welcomes new researchers

This year, Sussex welcomes three new Research Fellows funded under the European Union's 'Training and Mobility of Researchers' programme.

Berta Pongiluppi, from Catalonia is working in SEI with Richard Black and Mick Dunford on highly skilled migration in Catalonia and Rhône-Alpes.

Ruba Salih, and Bruno Riccio, both from Italy are working in CDE with Ralph Grillo on social exclusion of women of Arab-Muslim origin in Emilia-Romagna, and Senegalese street traders in Italy and France.

# New applications welcomed!

Further fellowships are available, funded under this scheme, for EU students to study at Sussex,

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or for UK students to study abroad. To apply, you must:

- Have, or be in the process of studying for, a Masters degree in a relevant subject
- Be a national of an EU state other than the country in which you wish to study, i.e. <u>UK</u> students cannot apply to Sussex under this scheme
- Have an outline research proposal which should in preference focus on more than one EU country, and relate to EU integration or social cohesion.

Application forms are available from Clem Smith in Sussex House. The next closing date is 17 March 1997.

#### PUBLICATIONS

# New publications on migration

BLACK, R. (1996) Immigration and social justice: towards a progressive European immigration policy?, *Transactions, Institute of British Geographers*, 21(1), 64-75

DEMBOUR, M-B. (1996) "Not another Muslim headscarf affair please". The significant story of an identity photograph in Belgium, Contemporary Issues in Law, 1(4), 9-24.

FIELDING, A. (1996) Greater London, South East and Eastern Regions. In: *The people: where will* they go? Ed. M Breheny and P Hall.

KING, R. (1996) A celebration of migration, Sussex Research Papers in Geography no 25

KING, R. (1996) Migration and development in the Mediterranean region, *Geography*, 81, 3-14

KING, R. (1996) Migration in a world historical perspective. In: *The* economics of labour migration, Ed. J. van den Broeck, pp.7-75

KOSER, K. (1996) Recent asylum migration in Europe: patterns and processes of change, *New Community*, 22(1), 151-58.

The Group also has funding to establish a new series of research papers entitled "Sussex Research Papers in Migration". Proposals for papers are welcomed!

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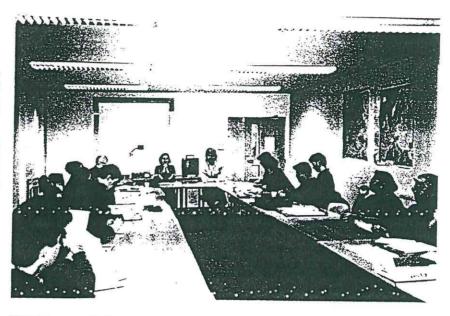
# Migration workshops at Sussex

The Migration Research Group at the University of Sussex was launched at an inaugural workshop on 'Southern Europe and the New Immigrations' held on 6-7 December 1996. Convened by Profesor Russell King and held in SEI (Sussex European Institute), the workshop attracted 30 participants. Most were Sussex research and MA students but we were also pleased to welcome guests from Lisbon and Dundee.

There were nine formal presentations based on pre-circulated papers plus informal presentations Jacqueline Andall (University of Bath), on 'Cape Verdian women in Rome', Gabriela Lazaridis (University Dundee) on 'Albanian and Filipinian women in Corfu', Barbara Pozzoni (University of Sussex) on 'Senegalese immigrants in Lecco, northern Italy', and Isabel Rodríguez (ex-University Sussex) on 'Moroccans Catalonia'. The formal papers have been revised for a book to be published by Sussex Academic Press in Summer 1997.

#### Future workshops

A series of four other workshops are intended to be held each term over the rest of this year and next year. Watch this space for details.



#### Workshop on Refugees

The Group's second workshop on 'Temporary Protection and Assisted Return of Refugees' will be held on April 24-25 1997 at the Isle of Thorns. Convened by Richard Black, Khalid Koser and Martha Walsh, the workshop forms part of an ongoing research project on assisted return of refugees which is based in CDE (Centre for the Comparative Study of Culture, Development and the Environment) and funded by the European Commission.

The workshop will examine evolving policies of member states of the EU with respect to temporary protection of refugees and eventual return to countries of origin, especially the former Yugoslavia. It will include the presentation of the results of the first phase of the project. It will also involve representatives from a range of European countries and international organisations.

To register for the conference, write to Martha Walsh, Room C350, School of African and Asian Studies, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9QN or fax on (01273) 620662.

#### Research news

#### Return migration

The forthcoming workshop on 'Temporary Protection Assisted Return of Refugees' is part of a study of the 'Conditions for the Return of Displaced persons from the European Union', being currently carried out Richard Black, Khalid Koser and Martha Walsh and funded by the European Commission. The research has involved consultations with European governments and **NGOs** on 'temporary protection' - a form of refugee

status offered to 'war refugees' particularly from the former Yugoslavia, and plans for the return of these groups after the end of conflicts in their countries of origin.

Also on the theme of return migration, Alastair Thomson (Centre for Continuing Education) has just started a new research project about postwar migration between Britain and Australia in particular migrants who have returned from Australia to England and explores issues about migration, memory identity. He has been awarded

funding to speak at a British-Australia migration conference in Adelaide in September 1998, and will be putting together other funding bids over the next few months.

### International retirement migration

This major ESRC-funded project is now entering its final phase. Russell King and Guy Patterson (University of Sussex), Allan Williams (University of Exeter) and Tony Warnes (University of Sheffield) are the team responsible for this project that

(University of Exeter) and Tony Warnes (University of Sheffield) are the team responsible for this project that covers Italy, Spain, Portugal and Malta.

Preliminary results presented in two papers to the Royal Geographical Society Institute of British Geographers Annual Conference at Exeter 1997 January attracted considerable media attention with follow-up articles appearing in The Guardian, The Daily-Telegraph and The Times. The last fieldwork phase of this project involves interviewing elderly migrants who. having retired Southern Europe, have been forced to return to the UK. This will be carried out during 1997.

#### Mobility across the European Union

Fellowships funded under the EC's 'Training and Mobility of Researchers' programme are now available for EU students to study at Sussex or for UK students to study abroad. To apply you must:

- Have, or be in the process of studying for, a university degree that enables you to embark on a PhD in the country where you wish to go.
- Be a national of an EU state other than the country in which you wish to study, i.e. UK students cannot apply to Sussex under this scheme
- Have an outline research proposal which should relate to EU integration or social cohesion and in preference focus on more than one EU country.

The next deadline is 15 May 1997.

Remember also that applicants are encouraged to submit research proposals on any topic under the ESRC's Research Grants Scheme. Deadlines and further

information, together with the application forms are available from Sussex House.

## Lectures, conferences

Arjan De Haan presented a lecture on 'Rural development and poverty' at the Asian Developemnt Research Institute in Patna, Bihar. The Times of India (4/1/97) reported it under the header "Wage alone does not 'power'migration"

Joana Apap attended the University of Columbia's Graduate Research Conference, 6-8 March 1997. She presented some of the results of her fieldwork in Italy and Spain regarding countries' transition from emigration to immigration countries.

## Recent publications on migration

BLACK, R. and SESSAY, M. (1997) Refugees, land cover and environmental change in the Senegal River Valley, *GeoJournal*, 41, 1-13

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IOSIFIDES, T. and KING, R. (1996) Recent immigration to Southern Europe: the socioeconomic and labour market contexts, *Journal of Area Studies*, 9, 70-94.

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Labour, employment and migration in Southern Europe. In: Employment, Economic Development and Migration in Southern Europe and the Magreb, Ed. J. Van Oudenaren (Santa Monica: Rand), 7-106.

KING, R. and O'CONNOR, H. (1996) Migration and gender:

Irish women in Leicester, Geography, 81, 311-25.

PERO, D. (1996) Political Anthropology of Italy in Action, *Anthropology in Action*, 3(3)

TUBITO, M. and KING, R. (1996) Italians in Peterborough: between integration, encapsulation and return, Sussex Research Papers in Geography, 27.

# Forthcoming publications

APAP, J. (1996) Migrants from Islamic Countries in the EU: Perceptions, problems and prospects, paper presented last October at the University of St. Andrews and to be published later this year in a collection edited by M.Aguilar

ICSIFIDES, T. (1996)
Organisers and dependents: immigrant employment and informal economy in Athens, Paper presented in a Conference on 'Social Research and Social Policy in Southern Europe in Athens 13-14 September 1996. To be published in the Conference Proceedings.

#### For more information

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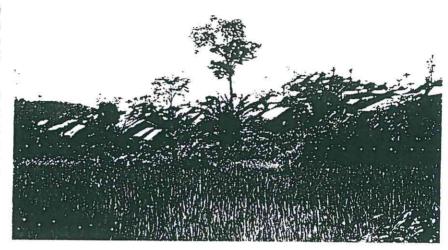
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# Migration Studies - from Australia!

At the end of this term we are pleased to welcome Stephen Castles and Ellie Vasta, from the Centre for Multicultural Studies of the University of Wollongong.

As part of their visit to Sussex they will lead a one-day seminar on migration issues such as the link between theory and method, migration research in the Asia-Pacific region and interethnic relations and political mobilisation in Sydney.

The seminar will be held on 1st July at the Sussex European Institute, Room A71. Everybody is welcome- enquiries to Russell King (EURO) or Tony Fielding (SOC).



Above: The 'site' of Yomou in the Forest Region of Guinea, where Richard Black has been studying relationships between the mass influx of 500,000 Liberian refugees since 1990 and environmental change in the region.

#### Research news

#### Migrant farm labourers

Stephen Fender (HUMS) has just got back from a six week research stint in the San Francisco Bay area, reviewing the archives relating to the Farm Security Administration Camps for migrant farm labourers displaced (mainly) from Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas in the 1930s.

#### Refugees and environment

Richard Black (AFRAS) spent three weeks in May in Guinea (see photo above) and Côte d'Ivoire working on a project with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees on environmental 'sustainable management practices refugee-affected areas'. In July he will be in Malawi, Mozambique and Zimbabwe working on a second case study for the same project.

# Workshops and conferences

The second migration research workshop, Temporary Protection and Assisted Return, was held 24-25 April at the University's conference centre at the Isle of Thorns. Part of an ongoing research project funded by the European Commission, the workshop was convened by the research team, Richard Black, Khalid Koser and Martha Walsh to present findings from the first phase of the research. There was also a broader discussion of the evolving policies of EU member states toward temporary protection and the assisted return of refugees.

Thirty-four participants attended the workshop, representing refugee organisations in the UK, the European Commission, the International Organisation for Migration (IOM), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the Intergovernmental Consultation on Migration (IGC), European Consultation on Refugees and Exiles (ECRE), organisations in Bosnia, and faculty and graduate students from the University.

The first day focused on temporary protection in EU countries whereas on the second day discussion turned to EU policies toward return. Invited speakers included Philip Muus of the European Research Centre in Migration and Ethnic Relations (ERCOMER) in the Netherlands, and Rick Towle of UNHCR.

Copies of the Interim Report are available from Martha Walsh (AFRAS),

#### Summer School in Hydra

Joanna Apap and Pongiluppi (SEI) attended a twoweek summer school 'Migration patterns and processes' held in Hydra, Greece, organised by ERCOMER, Utrecht University, in partnership with L'Observatoire Grec de l'Immigration. The summer school brought together academics, research students and other researchers different from disciplines and different

countries to discuss a range of migration research-related issues such as new directions in theories of migration, innovative methodologies and the use of different data sources.

Khalid Koser (AFRAS) was one of the convenors of the school and presented a paper on 'repatriation and resettlement'.

#### A Question of Identity

Report of a conference held at the Centre for Migration Studies, Queen Mary Westfield, London, 22 March 1997.

By Alistair Thomson (CCE)

The most effective papers at this conference were those which looked critically at the connections between migration, ethnicity and identity, and which explored the relationship between macro structures and experiences. I disappointed by several papers about European , citizenship and identity which barely strayed from the arid terrain of EC policy and rhetoric (though I did discover that I was not a European - citizen). By contrast, several papers about the Asian-British experience were exhilarating. John Eade (Roehampton) unpicked debates in the 1980s over the refurbishment of a mosque in Tower Hamilets and showed how emergence of Islamic politics involved a complex process of construction and contestation of a 'Muslim' identity for the Bengali community. Rod Chalmers (one of several local authority officials at the conference), highlighted the centrality of language for identity, and explored the linguistic and political tensions between Sylheti and Bengali for British Bangladeshis.

Sussex anthropologist Katy Gardner talked about her interviews with Bengali elders in the East End. These men's life stories show how the process of transition from 'sojourner' to 'settler' is never a simple, linear transition - indeed such transition is never fully achieved - and that their shifting identifications with Britain and Bangladesh need to be related to the changing social and economic forces British Bengalis and personal circumstances affecting changing over the life course. Katy's emphasis on the particular impacts of old age resonated with my own interest in the significant numbers of British postwar emigrants to Australia who are 'coming home' in their old age.

#### Viewpoint

### Afghanistan's Academics' Agony

By Nabi Misdaq, research graduate (CDE)

Afghanistan has been in the news for the past 18 years. It is an ancient country, with thousands of years of history, a multitude of ethnic groups and tribes making it a rich and an ideal place for research. But the war against the communist, then by ten years of ex-Soviet Union occupation and now in the civil war that has been raging for over six years, the country has been reduced to rubbles.

In April and May this year (1997), I went for yet another visit to most parts of Afghanistan. I met with Taleban officials at all levels, discussing and listening to them what they want for the country, now that they control over 80 per cent of the land and its population. Amongst other places I visited was Kabul University and Kabul Polytechnic. These are the two main academic centres in the capital. At both of these institutions the staff are faced with an impossible situation of teaching students. The entire libraries, laboratories and all other teaching equipment have been stolen by the groups who were 'controlling' the area. After almost six years of being closed, both these two centres have been opened by the Taleban last year, but, as they are against coeducation, at present only male students are attending. But Taleban, who are religious students, are committed to female education and want to start schools and colleges as soon as they have fund and facilities and that really means when the war

Both Kabul University and Polytechnic buildings have been heavily damaged in the rockets and heave machine-gun fires. The staff at both these places after getting the go ahead to open them spent the first few months cleaning, repairing and digging bodies that had been buried there. Now in the Taleban area there is complete security and peace. Most lecturers are apprehensive that in view of the complete lack of teaching facilities some of their colleagues might be forced to leave for abroad like some 800 out of over 1,000 teachers at Kabul University alone, who had either left or had been imprisoned and killed in the past decade and a half. At both these centres lecturers told me that they would be really grateful if Sussex University could help with anything that would be worth transporting - computers, books, overhead projectors and other teaching aids. They asked me to make this appeal and I am ready to help in any possible way.

#### Recent Sussex publications on migration

DE HAAN, A. (1997) Rural-Urban Migration and Poverty. The Case of India, *IDS Bulletin* 28(2), 35-47.

FIELDING, A. and Blotevogel, H. (1997), People, Jobs and Mobility in the New Europe, Wiley & Sons

FIELDING, A. and Ishikawa, W., An analysis of recent migration trends in Tokyo and metropolitan area Forthcoming in *Environment* and Planning A

KOSER, K. (1997) Information and repatriation: the case of Mozambican refugees in Malawi, *Journal of Refugee Studies* 10 (1), 1-18.

Williams, A.M., KING, R. and Warnes, A.M. (1997) A place in the sun: international retirement migration from northern to southern Europe, European Urban and Regional Studies, 4(2), 115-34.

#### Congratulations!

Congratulations to Theodore losifides who has recently completed his DPhil at the Sussex European Institute. His thesis is on 'Recent Foreign Immigration and the Labour Market in Athens'

#### For more information

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#### SUSSEX CENTRE FOR MIGRATION RESEARCH

### **Sussex Centre for Migration Research**

The Sussex Centre for Migration Research has been founded to consolidate the activities of the wide range of migration expertise which currently exists within the University of Sussex, and to build upon the more informal Migration Research Group. The Director of the Centre is Professor Russell King.

An extension to an earlier grant from the Research Development Fund of the University of Sussex has been targeted on the following activities:

- the appointment of Dr. Khalid Koser as Research Fellow in Migration Studies (1997-98)
- the appointment of Professor Stephen Castles as Visiting Professor of Migration Studies (1998-2000)
- the continued publication and expansion of the Migration Newsletter

The Sussex Centre for Migration Research is being launched on 16 January 1998, to coincide with the publication of two books edited by Centre members: Russell King and Richard Black Southern Europe and the New Immigrations (Sussex Academic Press) and Khalid Koser (with Helma Lutz) The New Migration in Europe: Social Constructions and Social Realities (Macmillan).

#### Research News

Conditions for the Return of Displaced Persons

Richard Black, Khalid Koser and Martha Walsh have completed their research project on Conditions for the Return of Displaced Persons from the European Union. which focused on the experience of the return of Bosnians. The final report has submitted to European Commission, and copies are available from the Centre.

#### International Retirement Migration of Britons to Southern Europe

The field research for this ESRC-funded project is now complete. The first set of four papers based on the empirical results will be published in a theme issue of the International Journal of Population Geography, 4(2), 1998. A book is also planned by the research team: Russell King, Alan Williams (Exeter). Tony Warnes (Sheffield) and Guy Patterson (Leeds).

#### **MA in Migration Studies**

The MA in Migration Studies is running for the first time this academic year. Six students have taken the *Migration Theories* course in the Autumn term

This course has covered the following topics: migration as a phenomenon; time-space migration and development; migration systems and networks; modelling and explaining internal migration; migration and gender; migration and identity, and capturing the migration experience.

The Spring Term's course is *Migration in Europe*. Both courses are taught by Russell King with contributions by Khalid Koser.

Applications are invited for the MA Programme in 1998/9. Please contact Russell King at EURO, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9QN (e-mail: r.king@sussex.ac.uk)

### Workshops and Conferences

Third Sussex Migration Workshop

The third in the on-going series of Sussex Migration Workshops took place on 1 July 1997 and was led by Professor Stephen Castles (University of Wollongong). In the first session of the dayworkshop, Stephen started with an overview of the state of migration research, and then went on to discuss research on Asian migration systems. In the second session, Dr. Ellie (University Vasta of Wollongong) presented multicultural paper on Australia. The workshop promoted lively discussion, and was well-attended by about 25 migration scholars and research students.

#### Santorini Migration Conference

Together with Gabriella Lazaridis and Charalambos Tsardinidis, Russell King organised an international conference on Migration, the Labour Market and Security in Southern Europe, in Santorini 19-21 September. The conference was sponsored by the NATO Office for Information and Press and various Greek ministries. Russell presented the opening address entitled: 'Southern Europe in the Changing Global Map of Migration'. Selected revised papers will be published in an edited volume.

Richard Black presented a paper concerning the political purposes of data collection and the scope for 'abuse' of the data collection process at a workshop on *The Demography of Forced Migration* in November, organised by the Committee on Population of the National Research Council.

Khalid Koser presented a paper on 'The Temporary Protection and Assisted Return of Bosnians in the EU' at a workshop on. Migration and Refugee Policy on the Eastern Border of the EU, coorganised by the IOM, and the University of Jyväskylä, Finland

#### Southern Europe and the New Immigrations

edited by Russell King and Richard Black (Sussex Academic Press)

Arising from the first workshop of the Sussex Centre for Migration Research, this book includes a full geographical coverage across Spain, Portugal, Italy and Greece, coupled with substantial discussion across a wide range of migrant groups. Contributors include: Tony Fielding, Theodoros losifides, Cristobal Mendoza, Victoria Chell, Jorge Malheiros, Melanie Knights, Joanna Apap and Davide Pero.

#### Viewpoint

The Right to Return, Progress in Bosnia? by Martha Walsh

It's been nearly two years since the signing of the Dayton Peace Accords which brought an end to the conflict in Bosnia. While large-scale fighting has not resumed, many aspects of the Accords remain to be fully implemented, among them the right of refugees and displaced persons to return to their own homes - despite significant efforts on the part of the international community to encourage refugee return.

During a recent visit to Bosnia, I conducted a survey among return households. Most returnees are unemployed, living off dwindling savings or being supported by relatives. Among those who have been displaced internally, more households have members in fulltime employment, although at very low salaries. Nearly all the households, nevertheless, are making ends meet, if only just. For both the internally displaced and returnees, their concerns are the completion of their houses, a secure financial situation, and the resumption of 'normal life'. Yet underlying these basic needs tensions, bitterness guilt sometimes and are expressed.

I also attended the ECRE/ICVA Reference Group meeting held in Banja Luka, Republika Srpska November 8-9. This series of conferences aims to bring together organisations working Bosnian refugees with European host countries and agencies working in Bosnia. Discussion focused on the role of local Bosnian NGOs in the return and re-integration of refugees. There is a pressing need for continued and more extensive dialogues between local NGOs representing internally displaced persons across the inter-entity boundary lines and with organisations in host countries representing refugee interests.

Conspicuously absent dialogue, however, are the needs of those locally displaced whose were completely destroyed, and refugees in Serbia and Croatia for whom there are no elaborate schemes to assist their return and re-integration and who remain marginalised and vulnerable in their 'host countries'.

#### Announcements

Russell King is editing a special issue of the journal *Modern Italy*, on the Italian experience of immigration, to be published in 1999. Anyone who would be interested in contributing please contact Russell. All contributions will be refereed.

### Moving On: Testimonies of Migration

The Annual Conference of the Oral History Society will be held at the University of Luton, 4-5 April 1998. Further details from Al Thomson (a.s.thomson@sussex.ac.uk).

#### Migration and Sustainable Livelihoods

This workshop takes place at the University of Sussex, 5-6 June 1998. Its focus is the relationships between migration and sustainable livelihoods, particularly in areas of origin. Further details from Hilary Cook (PRU@sussex.ac.uk).

### Recent Sussex publications on migration

King, R. (1997) 'Restructuring and socio-spatial mobility in Europe: the role of international migrants', in H.H.Blotevogel and A.J.Fielding (eds) *People, Jobs and Mobility in the New Europe*, Wiley, pp.91-119.

Koser, K. (1997) 'Social networks and the asylum cycle: the case of Iranians in the Netherlands', *International Migration Review*, 31(3): 591-611.

#### Welcome!

Congratulations to Branwen
Gruffydd-Jones (Rehabilitation
of Rural Livelihoods in Postconflict Sierra Leone) and Chris
Barnett (Environmental
Degradation and Livelihood
Strategies in Malawi), both of
whom have received ESRC
research training awards.

Welcome also to Mariagiulia Grassilli (Cultural Activity, Multiculturalism and Ethnic Identity) and Mikihide Osaki (Japanese Foreign Policy, Environment and Migration).

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### Migration and Sustainable Livelihoods

The fifth Sussex Migration Workshop is being convened jointly with the Poverty Research Unit at the University of Sussex and the School of Development Studies at the University of East Anglia. It takes place at the University of Sussex on 5th-6th June 1998.

The idea for this workshop arises from two main concerns. First, migration studies have paid insufficient attention to the way migration contributes to livelihoods, particularly in migrants' areas of origin. Second, studies of agrarian change tend to neglect the importance of migratory movements.

Key questions to be addressed are:

- Who leaves from poor rural areas, and what does their departure imply for those who stay behind?
- How does rural production change when people leave, when they return and through the influence of remittances?
- Does migration help to alleviate poverty or to reduce inequality?

For further information about presenting a paper or attending, please contact Hilary Cook, Secretary, Poverty Research Unit, University of Sussex, Falmer BN1 9QN, UK. Tel: +44 1273 678739, Fax: +44 1273 623572, e-mail: PRU@sussex.ac.uk

#### **New Book**

#### The New Migration in Europe: Social Constructions and Social Realities

edited by Khalid Koser and Helma Lutz (Macmillan Press, 1998)

Recent migration in Europe has a range of characteristics which are said to distinguish it from earlier migration, and the description 'new migration' is often used. Based on a wide range of empirical studies of the new migration in Europe, this book asks three critical questions: To what extent is the description 'new' conceptually valid? How is the new migration defined and by whom? How is the new migration experienced by migrants themselves?

#### Workshop

Migration Trends, Housing Construction and the Planned Development of the British Countryside

The fourth in the on-going series of Sussex Migration Workshops took place on 13 March 1998 and was convened by Professor Tony Fielding. The speakers were Tony Champion, Glen Bramley, Dave King, Geoff Meen, Trevor Cherrett and Chris Cousins.

About twenty people attended the workshop. They heard presentations covering new research on rural-urban migration patterns, on the links between house-building and migration, and on the issues surrounding the release of land for new housing on 'green-field' sites.

#### Staff Activities

Tony Fielding will be in Japan as a Visiting Professor for the first semester 1998-99 Ritsumeikan University Kyoto from 21st March to 31st July. He will be continuing his research on Japanese migration and its relations to economic restructuring, class and gender relations and the politics of Japanese national identity. His address in Japan is: Department of Geography, Faculty of Letters. Ritsumeikan University, 56-1 Kitamachi. Toji-in. Kita-ku. Kyoto 603-8577, Japan.

Khalid Koser gave a seminar to the Department of Geography at the University of Sheffield on 'The Temporary Protection and Assisted Return of Bosnians in the EU' on March 13th.

Richard Black attended the final meeting of a project on sustainable environmental management practices in refugee-affected areas. in Nairobi in January. On March 19th he is presenting further work on this theme at a conference on 'Environmental Responses in Emergency Situations' hosted by Green Cross UK at the University of Kingston.

Richard Black, Khalid Koser and Martha Walsh have been interviewed for a television programme for the Open Bosnia Network in May. The interviews focused on the results of research on the conditions for the return of refugees to Bosnia. The Open Bosnia Network is the only TV station available across the different 'entities' in Bosnia.

Jorge Malheiros, Lecturer at the Centro de Estudos Geograficos, Lisbon, spent this term as a Visiting Researcher in the Centre. His research is on Indian and Cabo Verdian diasporas.

Jennifer Platt presented a paper to the European Social Science History Conference in Amsterdam on 'The Role of Migrants in the International Sociological Association'.

Berta Pongiluppi is finishing field research in Barcelona on the migration of highly-skilled professionals, and moves to Lyon to continue the project in next term. The research is funded by an EU Marie Curie Fellowship.

Lucinda Fonseca, Associate Professor of Geography at the University of Lisbon, visited Sussex on a Geography Subject Group Socrates exchange in February, and presented seminars Portuguese migration to MA classes in Human Geography, Migration Studies and European Studies.

#### Viewpoint

Return and Reconstruction in Eritrea by Khalid Koser

Like many post-conflict countries in the Developing World, there is a concentration of Eritrea's most skilled exiles in countries in Europe and North America. Attention is now turning to how they can contribute to the rebuilding of Eritrea.

As part of a broader research project on Conditions for the Return of Displaced Persons from the EU, last year I visited Eritrea to evaluate the Professional Reintegration Programme - aimed at the return of skilled Eritreans from Germany.

One of my central findings was that return has been at a low rate, and most Eritreans in Germany are unlikely to return permanently. This is perhaps unsurprising given that most Eritreans in Germany now have permanent residency. and given the current lack of development of the economic and social infrastructure in Eritrea. At the same time it is clear that the lack of a desire to return need not be equated with a lack of concern to participate in reconstruction in Eritrea. Most Eritreans in Germany, for example, voted the referendum for Independence in 1993.

This Programme provides a good example of 'discourse' of return which has come to predominate refugee policy-making, according to which return is the optimum solution for refugees and their countries of origin alike. It might in contrast be more realistic to begin to reconceive exiles such as Eritreans in Germany as members of transnational communities. and to begin to focus on how they miaht contribute reconstruction from afar.

#### Announcements

Immigration, Racism and Multiculturalism in Italy

The sixth Sussex Migration Workshop is scheduled for 8th May 1998 at the University of Sussex. It is planned as a one-day informal workshop to share findings and establish significant lines of enquiry in the fields of immigration, racism and multiculturalism in Italy. For further information please contact Ralph Grillo (r.d.grillo@sussex.ac.uk).

#### Centre Website

Information about our researchers, current research priorities and training activities can now be found on the web at:

http://www.susx.ac.uk/Units/ CDE/research/migrate.html

### Recent publications on migration

de Haan, A. (1997) Migration as family strategy: rural-urban labour migration in India during the 20th Century, *The History of the Family*, 2(4):481-505.

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Fender, S. (1997) Why historians no longer believe the New Deal account of the 'Dust Bowl', London Review of Books, 30 October, 14-15.

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#### Workshops

During the Summer term three workshops were held at the Centre.

### Methods of Migration Research

In contrast to earlier workshops. this workshop had an explicit 'research training' function. It attracted more than 30 participants from inside and outside Sussex, working at a variety of levels from Undergraduate to Postdoctoral. Co-ordinated by Professors Stephen Castles and Russell King, the day was divided in two parts. The morning consisted of presentations on methods of migration research (Stephen Castles). ethics in migration research (Richard Black), data sources, (Russell King) and ethnographic methods (John Connell). This session concluded with presentations on current research by Louise Madden, Davide Però and Janine Klaver. During the afternoon the workshop split into smaller groups to discuss specific methodological issues arising from the research proposals of those early in their research careers. These issues were then fed back to a plenary session. The success of the day has encouraged us to plan a twoday research methods workshop next year.



Above: (left to right) Mariagiulia Grassilli with visiting Portuguese students, Dora Possidónio and Claudia Pica from the University of Lisbon at the Italian workshop.

#### Immigration, Racism and Multiculturalism in Italy

This workshop brought together faculty and graduate students from a range of disciplines to discuss Immigration, Racism and Multiculturalism in Italy. The workshop was designed to enable those with common interests to meet in an informal setting, compare notes, share experiences and establish what we believe to be the significant lines of enquiry emerging in the field.

Presentations covered such diverse topics as Senegalese traders; Tunisian migrant workers; left-wing responses to racism; sexual interrelations in colonial Eritrea; multiculturalism and the politics of identity; Moroccan women's experiences, and the role of the media.

A report and commentary on the workshop is available from Ralph Grillo (R.D.Grillo@sussex.ac.uk)

#### Migration and Sustainable Livelihoods

This workshop was jointly convened with the Poverty Research Unit at Sussex. The central idea behind the workshop was to discuss the importance of migration in the strategies of poor households to obtain a livelihood. A wide range of papers from a variety of disciplines were presented. Papers on South Africa highlighted newly evolving patterns of migration. A paper on the Sahel demonstrated a wide variety of migration strategies, including begging in cities and the sale of cattle. Papers on India discussed the migration of tribals, and the history of migration in Bihar. Finally, papers on international migration considered the implications of migration for the Mahgreb and Turkey, and the position on women in Bangladesh.

A workshop report, including an annotated bibliography, can be purchased for £5 (including p&p) by sending a cheque made payable to the University of Sussex to the Poverty Research Unit, AFRAS, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9SF (contact: PRU@sussex.ac.uk)

#### **Research News**

The Centre will be embarking on two major new research projects in October 1998, both relating to refugee return and reconstruction in post-conflict countries, and forming part of our thematic research priority on 'Conflict and Forced Migration':

The first project. on Reconstruction Natural of Resource Management Institutions in Post-conflict Countries will run until 2001, and involve collaboration with partner institutions in Ethiopia Mozambique. The project aims to identify constraints and opportunities to the reconstruction of locally-based renewable natural resource management institutions in post-conflict situations. The focus will be on formal and informal institutions ranging from local 'Community Based Organisations' to informal sets of rules governing access to land and other natural resources. The research will build on detailed case studies in areas of refugee return to Ethiopia and Mozambique, and examine the significance of forced migration and return on these institutions' effectiveness. It will also seek to assess appropriate ways to strengthen their role in promoting investment in the management of renewable natural resources.

In contrast, the second project, on Mobilisation and Participation of Transnational Exile Communities in Post-conflict reconstruction, will be concerned with situations where refugees choose not to return to their country of origin. The project, which forms part of a programme on 'Transnational Communities' funded by the Economic and Social Research Council (UK). involves comparative study of Bosnian and Eritrean exile communities in three European countries - the UK, Netherlands and Germany. Based on a range of research methods, it will analyse the identification and engagement of these communities with their countries of origin, and assess the significance of this for the process post-conflict of reconstruction peaceand building. The project is due for completion in September 2000.

Both projects will be managed by Richard Black, Co-Director of the Centre. Khalid Koser will work as Research Fellow on the Transnational Communities project.

In addition, a joint application between Katy Gardner and the University of Manchester to the ESRC Transnational Communities Programme has received £50,000 for developing research on Transnational Kinship and Entrepreunership amongst Mirupuris and Bengalis.

Al Thomson has received two small grants towards his research on postwar British migration to and from Australia: £1000 from the Humanities Research Centre at the Australian National University, and £2005 from the British Academy Small Research Grant.

#### **Agents of Migration**

A new research programme is being planned on the theme of Agents of Migration. in collaboration with Professor Stephen Castles the University of Wollongong. For further information contact Khalid Koser (k.koser@sussex.ac.uk)

#### **Activities**

Arjan de Haan presented a paper on Migration and Poverty: The Case of Bihar, to the Asian Development Research Institute in Patna, India, in December.

Tony Fielding presented a paper on Immigration, Ethnic Diversity and European Integration in Seoul in March. He is giving the Ritsumeikan University Faculty of Letters Special Lecture on Gender, Class and Region in England and Wales.

Al Thomson delivered a plenary lecture on 'Moving Stories': The Contribution and Potential of Oral History for Migration Studies at the Annual Conference of the Oral History Society.

Stephen Castles, our new Visiting Professor of Migration Studies, spent a month at the Centre in June, before travelling on to meetings in Brussels, Florence and Geneva. His visit marked the first stage of the development of collaborative research.

#### **Publications**

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RICCIO, B., 1998, 'Il potenziale contributo del sapere antropologico a un nuovo ambito di formazione interculturale: la cooperazione decentralizzata attraverso l'immigrazione', Etnoantropologia, 6.

#### Workshops

The Centre plans a further series of workshops for next year. A programme will be included in the next Newsletter.

Two day schools on Oral History techniques are taking place at the University of Sussex Interview Techniques on 21 November 1998 and on Documentation, Interpretation and Presentation on 30 January 1999. For further information call 01273 678926.

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# Migration newsletter

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# A warm welcome to the new term...

The start of the new academic year brings an influx of new students and staff to the Centre who are warmly welcomed. Two new research faculty are joined by five new DPhil students, and seven students starting our new MA in Migration Studies.

The two new researchers will be working on projects concerned with post-conflict societies and refugee repatriation. Nadje Al-Ali joins us from SOAS, to work on our ESRC 'Transnational Communities' project on the 'Mobilisation and Participation of Transnational Exile Communities in Post-conflict Reconstruction'. Nadje has just completed her PhD in anthropology on women's movements in Cairo.

We also welcome **Elizabeth Wat-son**, who takes up the post of Research Officer on the 'Remain'



Left: The Centre was successful in securing two awards under ESRC's Transnational Communities Programme.

project on 'Reconstruction of Natural Resource Management Institutions in Post-Conflict Countries'. The project, funded by DFID, focuses on Mozambique, and Ethiopia, where Elizabeth has been conducting her PhD on indigenous technology and cultural change in the Konso region

#### and goodbye...

to **Khalid Koser**, who takes up a new post as Lecturer in Geography at UCL. Khalid has worked as Research Fellow in the Centre since its establishment, and continues to be involved in the Centre's research on transnational exile communities. He will be greatly missed ... but we hope that fruitful collaboration with the Migration Unit at UCL will continue! Khalid can be contacted at UCL on KKoser@geog.ucl.ac.uk. We also say goodbye in the Autumn to **Arjan de Haan**, who is moving to a post as Social Development Advisor in DFID. Once again, we hope our fruitful collaboration will continue!

#### Research news

#### Migration to Australia

Alistair Thomson has just returned from a British Academyfunded research trip in Australia. where he was been working on life story accounts (diaries, letters, memoirs and oral history interviews) by people who migrated from Britain to Australia after the Second World War. One incidental finding of the research was that narratives by immigrants from Britain are often not catalogued by librarians and archivists under the subject heading of 'migration', because of the unconscious assumption in Australia that only people from nonbackgrounds English-speaking are 'real migrants'. The research trip concluded with participation in a conference on 'Scatterlings of Empire: Anglo-Celtic Migrations and Exchanges', which was part of a year-long programme on 'Journeys, Migrations and Diasporas' organised by the Humanities Research Centre at the Australian National University.

Research on migration between the UK and Australia will be strengthened by the arrival of new DPhil student, Claire Mason-Connor, who will research the return of British migrants who went to Australia in the early post-war years.

#### **Agents of Migration**

The Centre is pressing forward with proposals for new research on the 'Agents of Migration'. This

planned research is given a boost by the arrival of three new DPhil students working on the migration of sex workers.

Jo Doezema will be based in IDS, and plans to work on 'The discourse of trafficking in women as a cultural myth'. She is to be supervised by Andrea Cornwall and Anne-Marie Goetz. Meena Shivdas will also be based in IDS, researching the migration of sex workers in India and Nepal.

Meanwhile, **John Davies** will join the Centre to work on agents promoting sex-worker migration in south-east Europe. He will be registered in CDE.

#### Graduate research

Several DPhil students will move to the fieldwork phase of their

studies this term. Branwen Gruffydd Jones and Chris Barnett both depart for a year in southern Africa, whilst Mariagiulia Grassilli travels to Bologna, Avignon and Barcelona to continue her work on cultural activity, multiculturalism and ethnic identity in displaced societies. Meanwhile, Berta Pongiluppi remains in Barcelona, where she will work for a private research consultancy while completing her DPhil.

#### More ESRC success

Congratulations to Michael Collyer (Geography), Mariagiulia Grassilli (Inter-disciplinary Studies) and Elisabetta Zontini (European Studies), who all won ESRC Advanced Studentship awards this year for DPhil research at the Centre. Michael has been working for the past two years in Marseille for ATD Quart Monde, a French-based agency that works with poor communities to promote welfare and social justice. His DPhil will focus on Algerian asylum claimants in France and the UK. Mariagiulia is moving to the fieldwork phase of her work, in Italy, France and Spain. Elisabetta will also be working in Italy and Spain, on gender and family formation of recent migrant groups.

We also welcome new DPhil students Antonio Serra (from the Centro de Experimentação Florestal, Mozambique) and Tarakegn Yibabie (from Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia) who will also work on the 'Remain' research project

#### Activities

Mariagiulia Grassilli presented a paper on 'Expansion-Contraction: a framework of analysis for processes of identity formation' at tej 2<sup>nd</sup> European Urban and Regional Studies conference at the University of Durham.

Richard Black and Nadje Al-Ali attended the first workshop of the ESRC Transnational Communities programme at Oxford University in September.

Khalid Koser presented a paper on 'Experiencing immigration control' at the World Congress of Sociology in Montreal in July.

#### **New books**

### Pluralism and the Politics of Difference

By Ralph Grillo (Oxford University Press, 1998)

Pluralism and the Politics of Difference explores pluralism in three settings: early states, modern industrial societies, and the contemporary post-modern world. The book examines the ways in which different social and political forms cope with ethnic and cultural diversity.

## Refugees, Environment and Development

by Richard Black (Longman, Harlow, 1998)

Refugees, Environment and Development is concerned with the complex interrelationships between forced migration, natural resource management and 'sustainable development'. It challenges the growing rhetoric that refugees 'cause' environmental degradation, and that environmental decline is promoting a new wave of 'environmental refugees'.

Both titles are now available in the University bookshop.

#### **Other New Publications**

Black, R. (1998) Putting refugees in camps. Forced Migration Review 2: 4-7

Collyer, M. (1998) The view from the battlements: community work on the fringe of Fortress Europe, Forced Migration Review, 1:

Sato, M. and Fielding, (1998)
Migration and Settlement: A
Comparison of Japanese and
European International Labour
Migrations (Dobunkan, Tokyo,
published in Japanese!)

Fielding, A.J. (1998) Counterurbanisation and social class. In Boyle, P. and Halfacree, K. (eds) *Migration into Rural Areas*. Wiley, 41-60

King,R. and Patterson, G. (1998) Diverse paths: the elderly British in Tuscany, *International Journal* of Population Geography 4(2): 157-82

#### Workshop

#### Migration and the Media

Our Autumn term workshop on November 20th will focus on the topic of 'Migration and the Media', and will be convened by Nancy Wood and Russell King.

For further details, contact Nancy Wood, on 01273 688744 or via email: N.Wood@sussex.ac.uk

Reports on last year's workshops on Immigration and multiculturalism in Italy, and Migration and Sustainable Livelihoods, are available from Ralph Grillo and Arjan deHaan respectively.

Readers may also be interested in the following seminars and conferences:

- SEI Research in Progress:
   13 Oct: Ulrich Preuss on Concepts of Citizenship
   24 Nov: Eva Østergaard-Nielsen on Diaspora politics
- Geography seminars:
   15 Oct: Tony Fielding on Migration and culture in Japan
- Language, Labour and Migration, at QMW, London, on 14th November 1998. Details from a.kershen@qmw.ac.uk
- Postmigrant Turkish-German Culture: Transnationalism, Translation, Politics of Representation, at University College Swansea on 27-29<sup>th</sup> November 1998. Further details from t.cheesman@swan.ac.uk

#### Research Reports

# Conditions for the return of displaced persons in the EU: final report

By Richard Black, Khalid Koser and Martha Walsh

This report of research carried out in the Centre from 1996-97 has just been published by the Office for Official Publications of the European Communities, Luxembourg. Copies free of charge from Richard Black.

#### For more information, contact:

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http://www.sussex.ac.uk/Units/ CDE/research/migrate.html

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#### Film Showing: Overstay

In November the director Ann Kaneko (right) came to show her documentary film "Overstay", on undocumented workers in Japan. The film explores a variety of attitudes of native Japanese towards undocumented workers and then follows the life experiences of a number of undocumented immigrant workers themselves.

All the immigrants interviewed spoke very freely and openly to the camera, evidence that the director had really taken the time to get to know them. She spoke to young men, working in an electronics firm, mostly from Bangladesh and several young employed in escort women agencies. They discussed their reasons for coming to Japan, their views of Japanese society and their ideas about returning home.

The film provided an excellent insight into both the situation of undocumented workers in general and the response of Japanese society. The showing was very well attended by faculty, postgraduates and undergraduate students from a variety of disciplines.



#### **New Migration Open Seminar Series**

For the first five weeks of next term the centre will hold a regular seminar on a theme relevant to migration every Wednesday at 2.00. The first will be given by Stephen Castles on Wednesday 21 April.

#### Adrian Favell Joins the Centre

Adrian Favell joins Sussex as Lecturer in Geography and Migration Studies, based in the School of European Studies. His current research plans include a contribution to the Carnegie Endowment 'Comparative citizenship project', as well as continuing research on immigration/nationalism in Belgium, especially in Brussels; young elite migration in Brussels and London; and NGOs in Brussels. He is author of "Philosophies of Integration, Immigration and the Idea of Citizenship in France and Britain" (MacMillan 1998) and guest edited a recent special edition of the Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies on "European Union: Immigration, Asylum and Citizenship" vol. 24, no. 4 (Oct. 1998)

#### Workshop: Media and Migration

This workshop addressed issues of media representation of immigrants and media consumption by immigrants in different European contexts. David Forgacs (on films) and Giovanna Campani (on newspapers) showed how different types of media represent immigrant groups in Italy. Marco Centorrino discussed how Italian newspapers dealt with the migration phenomenon during one month of the Albanian crisis. Kevin Robbins (Turks in Germany) and Alec Hargreaves (Maghrebins in France) noted how satellite dishes have an impact on the construction of new identities which cross cut national and European boundaries. Nicola Mai demonstrated how Italian television programs in Albania play a fundamental role in shaping and forging Albanian youth's identifications with Italy and their desire to migrate there. Faical Daly emphasised the role of media at the local level in Modena and the ways in which they manipulate representations of immigrants, referring to his own personal experience of racism. Davide Pero contrasted the left wing representation of Bologna as a multiethnic town with the social exclusion experienced by the majority of immigrants. Bologna's multicultural festivals were investigated by Mariagiulia Grassilli who analysed the processes of social and cultural construction of these "events". Finally Bruno Riccio showed how, through their media consumption in Italy and Senegal, Senegalese respond critically to western media messages by both relying on and strengthening their cultural identity.

#### MA in Migration Studies

The Migration Studies MA is now in its second year. There are seven full time and one part time students from many different countries, - UK, Spain, Italy, Bosnia, Korea, The Netherlands and Canada. Courses are also available to M.Phil/D.Phil students as part of their research training.

#### Visiting Faculty

Prof. Anthony Richmond visited the centre on the 26/27 January. He gave a lecture on "Multiculturalism and the Millennium" and met with postgraduate and research students.

Prof. Stephen Castles will be in residence from 19 April to 1 May. He will be available for sessions with any interested postgraduates, MA students or undergraduates doing project work on migration or related subjects.

#### **Centre Activities**

Richard Black presented a paper on European states policies towards return of Bosnian refugees at the 6th 'IRAP' conference on Forced Migration in Jerusalem from The 13-16 December. conference was organised by the International Association for the Study of Forced Migration, and brought together refugee practitioners and academics from around the world. The next in this biannual series of conferences will be held in late 2000/early 2001 in South Africa.

Russell King visited Florence from 22-24 January; he gave a lecture to postgraduate students at the Faculty of Educational Sciences, University of Florence and presented a paper on modelling immigration into Europe Southern Conference on Lost Frontiers: Immigration and Refugees in the Balkan Region. Research student **Nicola Mai** gave a paper on his Albanian migration research to the same meeting.

Research student John Davies attended the European Foundation Centre Conf-Italy erence in Torino. Nov.8th-10th for a poster presentation on sex work migration, and for a seminar presentation on the same subject.; the Planning Meeting of the Sex work migration **Project** Umbrella Thessaloniki, Greece, Nov. 25th-29th conducting a PRA exercise in locating the work places and determining the sexual health practices of migrant sex workers and their clients.; the Women and Earth Conference Helsinki. in Finland, Dec. 8th-10th for a presentation seminar on successful engagement with sex workers, and a plenary presentation on the motivation for sex work migration.

#### **New Publications**

Knights, M. and King, R., 1998, The geography of Bangladeshi migration to Rome, *International Journal of Population Geography*, 4: 299-321

King, R. 1999, Islands and Migration, in E. Biagini and B.S. Hoyle (eds.) *Insularity* and Development: International Perspectives on Islands. Pinter, pp 93-115.

Black, R., 1998, Refugee camps not really reconsidered: a reply to Crisp and Jacobsen, Forced Migration Review, 3: 30

Black, R., 1998, L'impact des refugies sur l'environnement ecologique des pays d'acceuil (Afrique subsaharienne), Autrepart (Cahiers des Sciences humaines, nouvelle series) 7: 23-42

Fielding, A. J. 1998, Counterurbanisation and social class, in Boyle, P. and Halfacree, K. (eds) *Migration into Rural Areas*. Chichester: Wiley 1998, 41-60 Fielding, A. J. and Ishikawa, Y., 1998 Explaining the recent migration trends of the Tokyo metropolitan area, *Environment and Planning A* 30, 1998, 1797-1814

#### Conferences

24<sup>th</sup> **February** 1999: colloquium on The Italian Experience of immigration: steps towards a multicultural society, 2-6pm. An afternoon of lectures and discussion with Russell papers by King. Davide Pero, Bruno Riccio, Jaqueline Andall, round table discussion chaired by Adrian For further details Favell. contact Russell King, ext. 8744

**April 30<sup>th</sup> 1999**: Research Methods Workshop with Professor Stephen Castles, for further details contact Russell King, ext. 8744.

May 15-16th 1999: Landscapes of Memory: History and the Environment, international and an interdisciplinary conference at the University of Sussex, One of the 6 conference themes -'dispossession, displacement and disaster' - may be of particular interest to migration researchers. For further details and booking forms. conference contact the administrator Caroline Barnard in CCE on ext 8040.

September 21-22<sup>nd</sup> 1999.

New Approaches to Migration:

Transnational Communities

and the Transformation of

Home. to be held at the

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## New Migration Open Seminar Series

#### Angelique van den Braak

The new research seminar series on Wednesday afternoons has been well attended and included a variety of styles subjects. The following speakers presentations: Steven gave (University Castles of Wollongong, Australia) on Migration in Asia: Adrian Favell Sussex) (University of on Migrants and minorities in John Brussels: Morrison (exthe Refugee Council) on Trafficking of Refugees: Howard Winant (Temple University, PA, USA) on the World Racial System: and Ron Skeldon (UN. Bangkok) on Migration Development. This series will continue in the autumn term at the same time, 5pm on Wednesdays, room to be advised.

We were all shocked and saddened to hear of the death of Angelique van den Braak earlier this summer. Angelique was well known to everyone through her active involvement in all aspects of the academic and social life of the centre and wider university environment. As the student representative for the MA in migration studies she sat on the board of the centre for migration studies. She continually spoke out for the interests of the masters students and was very committed to improving and developing the MA program. Next year's students will certainly have a lot to thank her for. She was academically very strong and brought a flare of enthusiasm to discussions both in and out of seminars. Even such potentially dry subjects as migration theory were often enriched by her insights which betrayed her very personal commitment to the lives and welfare of migrant groups. However she will be missed most of all for her personal warmth and friendship which so many people shared. People across the university, so saddened by her death have spoken of their impressions of a warm friendly woman who always had time to talk and had a smile for everyone. A memorial service in the Meeting House was attended by members of her family from the Netherlands and many students and staff. A Dutch Elm tree has been planted for her behind IDS.

#### **Recent Conferences**

Immigration, memory Multiculturalism in France, on 7th May, organised by Nikki Cooper and Rod Kedward from The Centre for Modern French Thought in conjunction with the Sussex Centre for Migration Research. Outside speakers included Martin Evans (Plymouth), Phil Dine and Alec Hargreaves (Loughborough) and Roman Garbaye (Oxford) Carrie Tarr (Thames Valley) Karen Adler workshop (Cardiff). The comprised historical perspectives on Jewish migration in France to more recent questions concerning Maghrebi and Vietnamese immigration, in particular representations of migration in film and popular culture.

Ralph Grillo and Jeff Pratt organised a one-day workshop

on Multiculturalism in Italy on July 9th. A number of current Sussex PhD students presented work in progress. and outside speakers included Thomas Eriksen (University of Oslo) and Dorothy Zinn (Matera, Italy). **Discussions** focused on recent political controversies in Bologna and Parma. anti-racism campaigning, Senegalese migration and Albanian sex work migration.

A one day workshop on migration methods was organised for BA, MA and DPhil students on April 30th. The workshop was organised by Adrian Favell in collaboration with our visiting Professor, Stephen Castles of the University of Wollongong.

# Staff Activities over the summer

Nadje Al-Ali and Richard Black are spending the

summer in Sarajevo, families interviewing friends of Bosnian refugees living in the UK and the Netherlands. well as as government and agency officials. The trip forms part of the **ESRC** Transational Programme Communities project on transnational exile communities. The Autumn should also see the start of our other research project in this ESRC programme, as Katy Gardner begins work kinship, entrepreneurship and transnational circulation of assets. This project focuses on Mirpuris from Pakistan, Jullunduri Sikhs from India, and Sylhetis from Bangaldesh. For more information, see the website: http://www.transcomm.ox.ac.u

Staff Activities contd.

Richard Black has been appointed to a Roundtable on the Demography of Forced Migration, convened by the National Research Council in DC. Washington The appointment runs for two years from June 1999, and falls under the NRC's Committee on Population. He also becomes director of the Graduate Research Centre for the comparative study of Culture, Development and the Environment.

Adrian Favell taught at the ERCOMER summer school on "Migrant Incorporation in Europe" in Lisbon in May, and presented papers at the ECPR joint sessions in Mannheim (March 25th-19th). the Carnegie Endowment Comparative Citizenship Project conference in Lisbon (June 2nd-6th), and Ethnobarometer conference in Rome (June 24th-26th). In September he will he presenting a paper at the Society "European or European Societies" conference organised by the European Science Foundation and European Consortium for Sociological Research Obernai, France

Adrian Favell and Anthony Fielding will be teaching in August at the Oslo Summer School in Comparative Social Science in a week-long series of lectures on "Migration in Europe",

# Elizabeth Watson moves to Cambridge

We are sad to say goodbye to Elizabeth Watson, but congratulate her on her appointment as Lecturer in Geography at Cambridge University. Liz will continue to collaborate in the Marena project on natural resource management in post-conflict countries.

#### **MA in Migration Studies**

As we say goodbye to this year's MA students (the first to graduate), and prepare to say hello to next year's, please note that the introductory meeting for the programme will take place on Tuesday 5th October at 15.00 in C337, and will be immediately followed by the CDE welcome party for new students. All those involved in the Sussex Centre for Migration Research are cordially invited!

#### **Publications**

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#### **Forthcoming Conferences**

Sussex Centre Migration Research will be hosting a conference on New Approaches to Migration: Transnational Communities and the Transformation of Home, on 21-22 September. The conference is funded by the **ESRC** Transnational Communities Programme. It will take place at IDS, and registration details can be obtained from Richard Black or Nadje Al-Ali.

In collaboration with the Sussex European Institute, the Centre for Migration Research will be organising a one day workshop on "East-West Migration and EU enlargement" in the autumn term. Contact a.favell@susx. for details

We will also be sponsoring a session at this year's Royal Geographical Society-Institute British Geographers conference, which runs in the first week of January 2000 at Sussex. The session. 'Geographies Transnationalism' will take place on the morning of Friday 7th January', and offers of papers are still being accepted by the convenors, Richard Black and Khalid Koser (UCL).

Proposals are welcome for a workshop at the ECPR 2000 Joint Sessions in Copenhagen, co-organised by Adrian Favell and Randall Hansen, on "Beyond Fortress Europe? New responses to migration in Europe: dual nationality, co-development and the effects of EU enlargement" contact: <a.favell@susx> for details

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## Migration Newsletter

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#### Welcome New MA Students

We welcome this term our new intake of nine students on the MA in Migration Studies. A number of students come experience of work with migrants and refugees around the world. Trine Lester spent the last year working as part of an EU-funded project on refugees' access to rights in Uganda; Ellen White has been working with Bosnian and other refugees in Chicago; whilst Colin Carroll has spent summer teaching English in Palestinian refugee camps in Beirut. Sheefa Quddus moves to MA programme completing a BA in Geography at Sussex, during which she carried out her undergraduate dissertation on internal migration in Ghana.

#### All-Day Symposium

'Representation of Migrants and Multiculturalism in Britain 1933-1999', an all-day symposium coorganised with Centre for German-Jewish Studies, was held on 22nd October. A number of outside speakers, Pnina Werbner, Harry Goulbourne, Trudy Gold, Mike Hussey, and filmmaker Rex Bloomstein contributed to the symposium.

In addition, the Centre hosted a conference on 'New Directions in Migration: Transnational Communities and the Transformation of Home' during September 20-22.



Professor Michael Smith is giving his keynote address at the 'New Approaches to Migration' conference, with Professor Robin Cohen acting as Chair.

#### Migration Research Seminar Series

From the beginning of this new Academic year Migration Research Seminar Series has been held on regular basis together with a series of migration films every Wednesday. On 13 Oct. 'Rethinking Households and Migration' by Annie Phizacklea (Warwick) opened the series. On 27 Oct. 'A Place in the Sun: British retirement migration to the Mediterranean' was given by Russell King. On 3 Nov. Alice Bloch (Goldsmiths) contributed 'Asylum Policy in the UK: a new era or more of the same?' In week eight (Nov. 24) Paul Iganski (Sussex) presented 'Socio-economic Restructuring and Declining Racial Disadvantage in the British Labour Market'. The series of films was opened with 'The Boy Who Stopped Talking', a film of a little boy who moved with his family from Eastern (Kurdish) Turkey to the Netherlands, and stopped talking as a result of the shock of displacement. On Nov. 17, 'Mississispi Masala' was presented the story of an Ugandan Asian family forced to move to the US.

#### IBG Conference

From January 4-7, 2000, Sussex is host to the Royal Geographical Society with the Institute of British Geographers' Conference, the main annual gathering of academic geographers in the UK. As part of this conference, the Centre is sponsoring a session on 'Geographies of Transnationalism' with speakers including Jonathan Beaverstock (Leicester), Sarah Radcliffe (Cambridge) and Peter Jackson (Sheffield). Students and faculty wishing to attend the session should contact Tony Fielding, the local secretary for the conference. The conference also features a session on 'Migration in Europe in the 1990s', organised by John Salt (UCL) and John Stillwell (Leeds), at which Russell King and Adrian Favell will present new research.

#### New Research on Return Migration from Australia to Britain

Al Thomson's on-going research on return migration from Australia will be expanded in the new year, following an award of £40,000 from the Arts and Humanities Research Board. He will be looking for a research assistant. Contact a.s.thomson@sussex.ac.uk

#### **Staff Activities**

Russell King and Richard Black presented papers at a entitled 'Old conference Differences, New Similarities: American and European immigration policies comparative perspective', held the Italian Academy, Columbia University, during 12-13 Nov. Russell opened the conference with a paper on new directions and types of migration and Richard spoke on the question of refugee trends in Europe.

Adrian Favell wrote a report for the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace on immigrant integration research in Western Europe, which he delivered to a think-tank meeting in Washington DC, on 6-10 Nov. He also presented papers at a conference of the Consortium European Research Sociological Obernai, France on immigrant integration and at University of Lille on European immigration politics.

Richard Black attended a seminar in Helsinki, organised by the University of Jyväskylä and the International Organisation for Migration, on 'Return migration, reintegration and reconstruction' from 1-2 Oct.

Richard Black and Nadje Al-Ali spent the month of June in Bosnia carrying out field research as part of the ESRCfunded Transnational Communities Programme. A workshop was held to disseminate findings from the first year of research on this project in London, jointly with colleagues at the Migration Unit of University College London.

Al Thomson spent the summer vacation in Australia, continuing research on his project.

#### Where Are They Now?

Congratulations to our outaoina group of MA students, all of who completed their degrees, and especially to Isabel Putinja and Zafir who both Behlic. gained Distinctions. Two students from the programme have gone on to start doctoral within programmes Centre: Enric Ruiz Gelices is studying international student migration between Britain and Spain, whilst Chai Yoon-Ha is working on impacts of migration in the Philippines. Meanwhile, Maira Vergara has gone to Chile and Michela Macchiavello to Italy, Isabel Putinja is working at European Council on Refugees and Exiles in Brussels. Laia Auge Poch is working as a volunteer in London for African Centre. Also returning this term is former MA student, Louise Madden, who has won an ESRC Postgraduate Training Award to study Irish migration. Meanwhile, two students start their doctoral studies as 'distance learning' students. Savina Ammassari Ayman Zohry will be visiting Sussex during the year as part of the preparation of their doctorates, respectively on the return of skilled migrants to Côte d'Ivoire, and internal migration in Egypt.

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#### All-Day Workshop

'Free Movement after Enlargement: East-West Migration and Emerging Cross-border Labour Markets', all-day workshop coorganised with Sussex European Institute, was held on 26 Nov. A full report will be featured in the next Newsletter.

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# Migration Newsletter

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### Migration and Asylum Research Training Initiative (MARTI)

The Sussex Centre Migration Research is one of Centres seven at the University to have been successful in its bid to become a Marie Curie Training Site from 2000-2004. We will be able to host up to 4 doctoral fellows each year, for periods of either 3 months or 6 months, as part our 'MARTI' programme. Fellows will be doctoral students registered in European universities outside UK. The MARTI programme starts in October.

#### Cinema of Migration: All Day Workshop

On Friday 25 February, a group of film directors, producers and critics joined academic researchers for a conference that examined the progress of 'Cinema of Migration'. The event was organised by Mariagiulia Grassilli, and covered filmmaking by Arab. Asian, Bosnian and Latin American migrants and included the screening of a number of short films. Speakers included: Ziad El Khouzai (writer and critic) and Mohamed Maklouf (Executive Director of the Arab Screen Independent Film Festival), who introduced the 'Arab cinema of exile'; Dr Atif Ghani (sociologist and producer) who analysed the future for Asian independent filmmaking in the UK; Patricia Diaz (filmmaker) who screened her new short film Two Margaritas and talked about Latin American diaspora cinema; and Ben Woolford (producer) who explained the work behind the production and post-production of the film Beautiful People, which depicts the lives of Bosnians in London and their perspective on the war in the Balkans. There were screenings of My Journey, My Islam (Australia, 1999) by Kay Rasool, which premièred in the UK at the 43rd London Film Festival, World Cinema, and short films presented during the last Arab Screen Independent Film Festival (London, 1998): Born without Skis (by Noureddine Lakhamari, 1996) and Still Life (by Kutaiba al-Janabi, 1997) in the presence of the director. Black September (by Ruba Nadda, 1999) was premièred in the UK. A discussion panel formed by Ralph Grillo (Sussex), Ulricke Meinhof (Cultural Studies, University of Bradford) and Rex Bloomstein (documentalist, filmmaker) further challenged the notion of 'cinema of migration' as represented through visual narratives. The workshop provided a chance to bridge the world of academia and cinema towards a collaborative process of exploration of the meanings of migration and identity. It was reported in the major Arab world press.

#### **Migration Research Seminar Series**

The Migration Research Seminar Series was opened with the Roundtable Debate, "The integration of immigrants in Europe: constructing cross-national comparisons", led by Adrian Favell on 9th Feb. On 17th Feb. STAR (Student Action on Refugees) organised "The trafficking of asylum seekers to the UK", presented by John Morrison (Refugee Council/ UNHCR Consultant). On 23rd Feb. Hazel Summerfield (Human Rights Consultant) presented on "What cultural and social discourses do refugees carry home from exile? (A Cambodian case)". On 1st March Marie-Benedicte Dembour (Sussex) contributed "The nation-state has not withered away: the deportation of 'quasi-nationals' under the European Convention of Human Rights". On 8th March Stephen Dobson (Lillehammer College) presented "The role of the emotions in Norwegian policies of refugee reception and resettlement". On 13th March Frances Witt (Christian Aid) contributed "Communities in resistance" with a talk and slide show about the 1.5 million internally displaced in Colombia.

#### **Staff Activities**

Richard Black spent two weeks in Liberia during January, as part of a study on 'Emergency relief and reconstruction: the Liberian experience', funded by UNDESA. The study examines innovative approaches to humanitarian assistance that were promoted during the Liberian civil war from 1989-1997.

Adrian Favell has presented papers on 'Comparative research on immigrant integration' at the University of Bristol and South Bank University, and is organising a session on new EU policy on immigration and enlargement at ECPR in Copenhagen in April.

#### Congratulations!

Social Anthropology research students linked to the center successfully completed DPhil their theses this February. Bruno Riccio's "Senegalese thesis on transmigrants and the construction of immigration in Emilia-Romagna (Italy)" presents an ethnographic of account interplay the between Senegalese transmigrants, and those Italians who interact with immigrants and actively participate in the construction of immigration at a local level. The thesis by Ruba Salih, "Transnational lives. plurinational subjects: identity. migration and difference among Moroccan women in Italy" seeks to make sense of migration, in a context of changing configurations in both the social sciences and people's lives, of notions of locality, identity, difference and membership. It focuses on the lived experience of Moroccan migrant women's transnationalism between Morocco and Italy and analyses the ways in which their transnational activities affect their identity

cultural renegotiation processes.

# Where Are They Now?

Isabel Putinja, a graduate of MA in Migration Studies in 1999, will begin a new job as a policy officer at the Migration Research Group in Brussels in April.

#### Goodbye and thanks

to Nadje Al-Ali, who moved to a permanent Lectureship in Social Anthropology at Exeter University on 1 March. Nadje will continue her involvement with the Transnational Communities project.

#### ... and Welcome

to Lani Russell, who joins the British-Australian Postwar Migration Research Project, coordinated by Al Thomson. Most recently, Lani has been with the working Oxford Companion to Aboriginal Art and Culture in the Centre for Cross-Cultural Research at the Australian National University, as well participating in the Medieval Compendia Project, in the History Department at ANU. Lani has personal experience of the migration flows studied by the project, as her father migrated to Australia as a 'ten pound pom' in 1963. Both her grandmother and aunt spent periods in Australia but eventually returned to the UK.

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Richard Black's book, The End of the Refugee Cycle (edited with Khalid Koser), was listed as one of the top 10 Humanitarian Books of 1999 by the Humanitarian Times.

#### Conference

In collaboration with Sussex European institute, Adrian Favell organised a conference the theme of movement after enlargement: East-West migration cross border labour markets'. The day-long workshop brought together demographic and policy experts, along with a number of policy makers from the EC, Embassies of new applicant states in Europe, and British ministries. Speakers included Marek Kupiszewski (Warsaw), Elspeth Guild (Niimegen). Andrew Geddes (Liverpool) and Allan Williams (Exeter). While the political salience of the issue is now having dramatic effects in countries like Austria, the speakers pointed out how migration in fact from East-West has by no means been excessive in the last decade, and that a more constructive attitude towards cross-border openness would be desirable.

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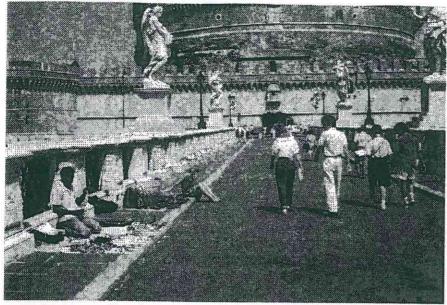
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Above: a street seller in Rome, where new research by Russell King and Nick Mai is exploring migration from Albania.

### The future of Migration at Sussex

Thanks to all those involved in our current funding bids to ESRC and the Leverhulme Trust for a further 5-10 years of funding for the Centre's activities. At the time of going to press, we have been shortlisted by ESRC, and results of both competitions are expected in the Spring.

The process of assembling these bids has led to a number of new proposals for research on different aspects of migration. We will be working over the coming months to turn these projects into reality!

#### Workshop on Transnational Migration and Return

A major new project on Transnational Migration, Return and Development in West Africa (the 'Transrede' project) is now under way at the Centre, in collaboration with the École Supérieure de Statistique et d'Économie Appliquée, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire (ENSSEA) and the Institute of Statistical, Social and Economic Research, University of Legon, Ghana (ISSER). 'Transrede' is one of 14 projects included in a three-year DFID programme established in response to the UK Government's White Paper (2000) on Globalisation and Poverty.

The 'Transrede' project aims to address a major area of concern – the relationship between international migration, return and development. Focusing on both poor, unskilled migrants, and more highly skilled migrants who are likely to have a role as 'agents of change', the study explores mobility abroad, the development of transnational networks and return migration. The idea is to highlight the potential contribution of migrants towards meeting the international development targets of poverty reduction and sustainable development. A first workshop was convened in May 2001 to present the initial outputs of background study on migration and return in West Africa, and was attended by a range of academics and policy-makers working in the field. The background paper by Savina Ammassari and Richard Black has been published by IOM in their Working Paper series.

A follow-up workshop is now being organised for January 2002 in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, hosted by ENSSEA.

#### **Migration Research Seminar Series**

This term's Migration Research Seminar Series opened on 10<sup>th</sup> October with a lively presentation from **Professor Bill Clark** (UCLA) on 'Making it in America: immigrants and the American Dream'. On 31<sup>st</sup> October we hosted **Professor Floya Anthias** (University of Greenwich) whose theme was 'Narrating identities and locations: British-born Cypriots in London'. The presentation on 7<sup>th</sup> November was by **Dr Margaret Byron** (King's College, London), who explored 'The implications of being a migrant-dependent society: Caribbean examples', whilst **Christa Hager** spoke on 21<sup>st</sup> November on her work on 'Class and ethnicity in post-colonial Kenya'. On 28<sup>th</sup> November **Professor Paul Boyle** (University of St. Andrews) gave a presentation on 'Migration and Health: some empirical questions'. The final contribution this term was from **Dr Bronwen Walter** (Anglia Polytechnic University) on 'Gender and whiteness: Irish women in the diaspora'. Seminars are open to all, and the Spring term programme is posted on the Centre's website.

#### **Staff Activities**

Richard Black has been appointed for a further three years to the Roundtable on the Demography of Forced Migration, as part of the Committee on Population of the National Academy of Sciences in Washington DC. He also presented a paper to a workshop convened by the Roundtable in November on research ethics in humanitarian emergencies. The paper examined Liberia as a case study in which ethical codes for humanitarian action had been developed.

**Tony Fielding** is currently Visiting Professor at Kyoto University. His course is entitled 'The Geopolitics of International Migration in Europe'.

He will also present his research into the links between social mobility and migration to the Kyoto University Institute of Economic Research Urban Economics Workshop; and to the Kyoto University Department of Geography Alumni Association Annual Meeting (an important event in Japan!).

In September Russell King and Nicola Mai undertook a field visit to Albania, the first fieldwork phase of their Leverhulme-funded project on the dvnamics of Albanian migration and social exclusion of Albanian migrants in Italy and Greece. Between October and December 2001, Nicola has been interviewing a sample of Albanian migrants in Lecce, southern Italy. He will carry out similar interviews in Rome and in northern Italy in the New Year. DPhil students Alessandro Drago and Panos Hatziprokopiou will also be carrying out interviews for the project, in Rome and Thessaloniki respectively, as part of fieldwork for their DPhil theses.

Michael Collyer attended a conference on "Frontières et zones d'attente, une liberté de circulation sous controle" (19-20 October) organised by the Association national d'assistance aux frontières pour les étrangers, (Anafe) at the Senate in Paris. In December he will be conducting research at the Sangatte centre near Calais and giving a paper at the MIGRINTER research centre at the University of Poitiers.

As part of the European Science Foundation's Scientific Network on the Problems of Older Migrants in Europe, Russell King attended network meetings in Strasbourg in April and in Pisa in November 2001.

During October, Russell King presented a paper on student migration to a conference in honour of Hans van Amersfoort at IMES (Institute of Ethnic and Migration Studies), University of Amsterdam. Invited papers from the conference will be published in a festschrift for Professor van Amersfoort, who has been a pioneer of ethnic and migration studies in the Netherlands and internationally.

Finally, Sussex was represented at the recent Metropolis conference in Rotterdam by Natalia Ribas and DPhil student John Davies. Natalia's session organised with Jorge Malheiros of Lisbon University, was a great success!

#### Congratulations!

To Chris Barnett, whose DPhil thesis on environmental change in refugee-affected areas of Malawi was approved in December. Chris is now working for a local firm of development consultants.

#### A Warm Welcome!

Nalu Binaisa joined us in October as the Centre's new Research Secretary. Nalu is also taking our MA in Migration Studies.

Natalia Ribas, a sociologist from the Universidad Autonóma de Barcelona, Spain, started earlier this year as Marie Curie Post-Doctoral Fellow. She is working with Russell King and Saskia Sassen (LSE and University of Chicago) on patterns of migration to Europe, and will be carrying out fieldwork in Tangier and Tirana in 2002.

Christa Hager is here for the Autumn term as a Marie Curie Fellow, as part of her PhD at the University of Vienna. Whilst at Sussex she is carrying out research on Migration in Colonial and Post-Colonial Nairobi.

Anastasia Christou also joined us in September as a Marie Curie Fellow, coming from the University oft the Aegean in Greece. She will be here until March 2002. Her thesis is on The Heritage of Immigration and the Promise of Remigration: The case of the Greek American Experience.

Clare Waddington is working in the Centre as a Research Officer from December until March 2002, conducting a survey of the illegally resident population held in detention in the UK. This project is directed by Richard Black and Ron Skeldon. Clare has recently competed an MPhil in Development Studies at IDS. The research is funded by the UK Home Office.

Meanwhile, in January we will be joined by Aleksandra Grzymala-Kazlowska, who will be this year's third Marie Curie Fellow. Aleksandra is from the University of Warsaw, Poland, and her PhD examines attitudes towards migrants in Poland.

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