

Call for Abstracts

FULLY-FUNDED PHD AND POSTDOC COLLOQUIUM IN FORCED MIGRATION AND REFUGEE RESEARCH

9–10 October 2025

**Institute for Migration Research and Intercultural
Studies (IMIS), Osnabrück University (on site)**

The **Collaborative Research Centre SFB 1604 “Production of Migration”** and the BMBF-funded project **“Forced Migration and Refugee Studies: Networking and Knowledge Transfer” (FFVT)** offer a fully-funded two-day colloquium in the field of forced migration and refugee research. It is open to PhD researchers and early career Postdocs based in Germany.

The colloquium aims to provide **support** and facilitate **exchange** among junior researchers who work on issues related to forced migration and refugee studies. It provides a **platform for presenting and discussing ongoing PhD and Postdoc projects** alongside opportunities for **joint reflection on concepts, categories, and methodologies** in dialogue with reflexive approaches in migration research. The colloquium aims to foster exchange and networking that can extend in future workshops.

By joining forces, the FFVT-project and the SFB with its Integrated Research-Training Group offer vast resources and expertise and thus a unique environment for spurring and supporting early career researchers.

We invite contributions on a broad range of topics such as conflict-related internal and international migration, climate-induced migration, the governance or control of migration including restrictions, borders and barriers to migration and mobility, topics related to arrival, integration or exclusion as well as deportation, return and reintegration; also, theoretical, conceptual and methodological considerations are welcome.

The colloquium will be **fully-funded**. Travel, accommodation and catering will be covered. We will be able to host around 15 participants.

Applications should consist of an abstract of the PhD or Postdoc project (ca. 500 words) including a section on the aspect or chapter to be presented, a brief letter of motivation (ca. 250 words) and short bio (ca. 100 words).

Please send your applications to franck.duvell@uni-osnabrueck.de until **15 May 2025**.

Selection will be based on the quality of the applications. We will also consider a balanced representation across career stages, thematic foci as well as institutional affiliation.

For further questions, you can contact Franck Düvell (franck.duvell@uni-osnabrueck.de) and Christine Lang (christine.lang@uni-osnabrueck.de).

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