

## “The Minnesota School of Migration and Refugee Studies in Europe”

**Date:** February 24, 2020, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Venue:** Seminar room I (first floor), Department of History, University of Vienna (Universitätsring 1, 1010 Vienna)

### Program

9:00 a.m. Welcome **Annemarie Steidl** (University of Vienna)

9:15 a.m. **Donna Gabaccia** (Professor emerita, University of Toronto, Former Director of the Immigration History Research Center, University of Minnesota): “Introduction: The Minnesota School as Transnational Scholarship”

9:45 a.m. **Dirk Hoerder** (Professor emeritus, Arizona State University and University of Bremen): “The ‘Minnesota School’ and Transcultural Histories of Migration in the Bremen Project”

### 10:30 a.m. Panel 1: Migration in Geopolitical Spaces

**Anna Mazurkiewicz** (University Gdansk): “Transnational Patterns in Cold War Migrations – Emerging Research Agenda for International Research Teams”

**Florence Vychytil-Baudoux** (EHESS, Paris): “Polonia or Polonias? Polish Immigrant Communities and Their Political Practices during the Cold War”

**Simone Cinotto** (University of Gastronomic Sciences of Pollenzo): “The Puerto Ricans and Italians of New York, 1920–1960: Migration and Mobilization in the Atlantic Space”

Moderator/Chair: **Donna Gabaccia**

12:00-1:30 p.m. **Lunch**

### 1:30 p.m. Panel 2: Transnational Circulations, Part 1

**Mirjam Milharčič Hladnik** and **Aleksej Kalc** (Inštitut za slovensko izseljenstvo in migracije, Ljubljana): “The (Un)Explored Epistolary Sources and Slovenian Migrations: A Slow Work in Progress”

**Rim Triki** (Institut Supérieur des Sciences Humaines de Tunis ISSHT, Tunis): “On the Track of Return Migration from the United States to Europe (1890s-1930s)”

**Daniel Necas** (University of Minnesota): “Digitizing Immigrant Letters”

Moderator/Chair: **Annemarie Steidl**

### 3:00 p.m. Coffee break

### 3.15 p.m. Panel 3: Transnational Circulations, Part 2

**Barbara Lüthi** (University of Koln) and **Christa Wirth** (University of Agder, Norway): “The Nexus of Agency – Knowledge in Migration Studies”

**Barbara Louis** (University of Vienna): “Jewish Women Refugees Carving out Professional and Academic Space in Social Work after 1933: The Case of Gisela Konopka and her Transatlantic Entanglements in Social Group Work”

**Johanna Leinonen** (Turku University): “Minnesota School as an Inspiration for Studying Forced Mobilities in Finland”

Moderator/Chair: **Ursula Lehmkuhl** (University of Trier)

5:00-5:45 p.m. **Nancy Green** (École des hautes études en sciences social, Paris): “Concluding Remarks: The Minnesota School Comes into its Own – with Thanks to Donna Gabaccia”



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