

De-centring migration governance in a post pandemic world

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Abstract

De-centring our understanding of migration governance requires privileging the viewpoints of origin and transit countries, non-state actors and including both urban and rural perspectives. The presentation will argue that such de-centring involves a number of dimensions, notably along a geopolitical approach that gives primacy to the role that countries play in migration processes; along a spatial approach (views from the city vs views from rural areas); or with reference to the actors involved (state, civil society, private sector, migrants and their households). This presentation will explore whether such de-centring should be also epistemological, notably instead of putting migration centre-stage, paying more attention to broader processes including climate change, rapid (and often disruptive) technological transformation, as well as the re-imagining of the global world order after the Covid19 pandemic. The argument will also consider notions of sustainability and resilience both in migration governance and more broadly.

Biography

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