



ICoMiR
International Conference
on Migration and Refuge

III CSEM International Conference
Dialogues to Understand, Humanize, and Value People on the Move
Casa Dom Luciano – Brasília, DF – Brazil – May 19–22, 2025

PROGRAM
DAY 1 – 05/19/25

3:00 PM to 6:00 PM – Handicraft Fair

Book Exhibition

Exhibition of the “Rede Infâncias Protagonistas”

3:00 PM – Registration

6:00 PM – Opening of the Event

Opening Reflection (“Mística”)

Welcome Session

6:45 PM – Keynote Lecture: Human mobility: itineraries for a humanizing coexistence

– Jorge Castillo Guerra

Facilitator: Roberto Marinucci

Q&A Session

7:45 PM – Closing

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DAY 2: 05/20/25

8:30 AM – Registration

8:45 AM – Opening Session and Welcome

9:00 AM – Roundtable: *Human Mobility in the Americas*

Facilitator: Janete Ferreira, mscs – Scalabrinian Foundation (Italy)

Andreas Feldmann – University of Chicago (Chile / USA)

Emmanuel Saula Kitambala – Migrant Leader (Democratic Republic of Congo/
Brazil)

Devi Machete – Colectivo Contravento y Marea (Mexico)

Discussion

10:40 AM – Break

11:00 AM – Roundtable: *Public Policies for People on the Move*

Facilitator: Leonardo Cavalcanti (OBMigra)

Edna Co – University of the Philippines (Philippines)

Michael Mutava – New South Institute (Kenya / South Africa)

Luciana Gandini – National Autonomous University of Mexico (Mexico)

Bela Feldmann Bianco – University of Campinas / UNICAMP (Brazil)

Discussion

1:00 PM – Lunch

2:30 PM – Book Launch

Facilitator: Igor Cunha

3:00 PM – Colloquium

Coordinators:

Rockmilys Basante Palomo – Social Action, Irmandade Sem Fronteiras (Curitiba, PR –
Brazil)

Rosa Maria Martins, mscs – Journalist, MSCS (São Paulo, SP – Brazil)

Rapporteur: Charles Matheus Pontes Gomes (Casa Rui Barbosa Foundation)

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General Objective: *To reflect and engage in dialogue about a model of society that is inclusive and welcoming of people on the move.*

Invited guests	What are the most widespread social representations of migrants and refugees in today's world? Which should be avoided and which should be valued?	What conditions facilitate a dignified life and create opportunities for migrants and refugees to develop their skills?	What are the contributions of migrants and refugees to societies (of origin, transit, and destination)?
	Emmanuel Saula Kitambala – Gramado, RS (Democratic Republic of the Congo)	Macaio Upecor Gomes Cacabro – State Secretariat for Human Rights, Ceará & AEGBEC - Association of Students from Guinea-Bissau, Fortaleza, Brazil	Francis Angmortey Gaba – Ghana
	Rocío del Bravo Shuña – Brasília, DF	Constance Salawe – São Paulo Municipal Immigrant Council	Maria Isabel Del Valle Fernandez – Social Action, Irmandade Sem Fronteiras – Curitiba, PR, Brazil (Venezuela)
	Sr. Rosita Milesi – IMDH – Brasília, DF, Brazil	Marcelo Patrocínio Bruzinga Casa do Migrante – Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil	Paulo Illes CDHIC – São Paulo
	Devi Machete – Contra viento y Marea (Mexico)	Gaia Mormina – Scalabrinian Foundation, Italy	María Eugenia Vázquez ASCALA – Dominican Republic
	Roberto Marinucci (CSEM)	Raquel Boing Marinucci (Balcão do Refugiado)	Guillermo Yrizar (IBERO Puebla, México)
	Paola Bolognesi (ACNUR)	Gustavo Zortea (DPU)	Eliane Alves da Silva (SEJUS/GDF) Thais La Rosa (OIM)

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5:45 PM – Coffee Break

6:15 PM – Keynote Lecture: *A Dialogue Between Migrant Struggles and Struggles for Hospitality in Latin America* – Amarela Varela Universidad Autónoma de la Ciudad de México (Mexico) (*online participation*)

Facilitator: Diana Mundarain

Q&A Session

7:15 PM – Closing

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DAY 3: 05/21/25

8:15 AM – Registration

8:30 AM – Opening Session and Welcome

9:00 AM – Roundtable: How Does Civil Society Value, Humanize, and Strengthen the Agency of Migrants and Refugees?

Facilitator: Flavia Reis (Jesuit Service for Migrants and Refugees – SJMR)

Speakers:

Amarela Varela – Universidad Autónoma de la Ciudad de México (Mexico)
(online participation)

Luis Enrique Garcia Rodriguez – Asociación de Venezolanos Residentes en Santo Domingo de Los Tsáchilas, Ecuador – ASOVEC

Maria Ozânia da Silva – Serviço Pastoral do Migrante – SPM (Goiânia, Brazil)

Q&A Session

10:40 AM – Break

11:00 AM – Roundtable: Africa

Facilitator: Igor Borges Cunha (CSEM) Brasília - DF, Brazil

Speakers:

Michael Mutava – New South Institute (Kenya / South Africa)

Ibrahim Kalilu – Associação para o Bem-Estar dos Refugiados em Angola / ABRA
(Sudan / Angola)

Armando Bernardo Tonela – Centro J. B. Scalabrini (Mozambique)

Q&A Session

1:00 PM – Lunch

2:30 PM – Video Presentations

Facilitator: Igor Borges Cunha (CSEM) Brasília - DF, Brazil

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3:00 PM – Thematic Groups

TOPICS IN PORTUGUESE:

1. Actions by Civil Society

Organizations in Support of Migrants/Refugees

Coordinator: Claudete Rissini (MSCS – Brazil)

Presentation: Eliza Donda (Missão Paz – São Paulo)

2. Intercultural Reception Practices and the Importance of Language

Coordinator: Fabíola Ribeiro de Souza – Centro Interescolar de Línguas (CIL) – Brasília, Brazil

Presentation: Susana Martinez (MOBILANG – University of Brasília – Brazil)

3. Agency of Migrant Children and Youth

Coordinator: Barbara Marques (CSEM)

Presentation: Maria Catarina Chitolina Zanini (Federal University of Santa Maria / University of Brasília – Brazil)

4. Media and Migration

Coordinator: Denise Cogo (ESPM – Brazil)

Presentation: Julia Camargo (Federal University of Roraima – Brazil) and Lucas Zanetti (ESPM – Brazil)

5. Mental Health and Migration/Refuge

Coordinator: Marta Helena de Freitas

(Catholic University of Brasília – Brazil)
Presentation: Merlina Saudade Ferreira Neira (Florianópolis, SC – Brazil)

6. Mass Deportations: Migration Policies and the Criminalization of Migration

Coordinator: Glaucia de Oliveira Assis (UDESC)

Presentation: Sueli Siqueira (Vale do Rio Doce University – UNIVALE, Brazil)

TOPICS IN SPANISH:

7. Methodologies in Migration Studies

Coordinator: Igor B. Cunha (CSEM)

Presentation: Delia Dutra (University of the Republic – Uruguay)

8. Leadership and Solidarity Practices of Migrants and Refugees

Coordinator: Sister Lidia Mara Sousa (SMR, Mexico)

Presentation: Farida Acevedo (Venezuelan, Mexico) and Gloriane Aimabile Antoine (Haitian, Brasília – DF, Brazil)

9. Venezuelan Diaspora

Coordinator: Diana Mundarain (CSEM)

Presentation: Matheus Lira Bento (Federal University of Pelotas – UFPEL) and Ambar del Valle Gonzalez Blanco (Venezuelan, Brasília – DF, Brazil)

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10. Intercultural Theology of Migration

Coordinator: Carmem Lussi (CSEM)

Presentation: Jorge Castillo Guerra
(Netherlands)

**11. Climate Change and Human
Mobility**

Coordinator: Carolina de Abreu Claro
(IREL – University of Brasília, Brazil)

Presentation: Gennaro Avallone (Italy –
online participation) and Naisa Wayand
(Oxfam)

12. Migration Routes and Borders

Coordinator: Sister Leticia Valderrama
Gutierrez (MSCS – El Paso / Texas)

Presentation: Andreas Feldmann
(University of Illinois Chicago – USA)

5:45 PM – Coffee Break

6:15 PM – Keynote Lecture: *Problematizing the “Migration Problem”* – Rose Jaji
(German Institute of Development and Sustainability - Germany)

Facilitator: Barbara Marques (CSEM) Brasília - DF, Brazil

Q&A Session

7:15 PM – Cultural Dinner

TOPIC IN SPANISH/ENGLISH:

**13. Searching Voices and Migrant
Disappearances: Blossoming in
Resistance**

Coordinator: Conrado Zepeda
Miramontes (IBERO Puebla, Mexico)

Presentation: Guillermo Yrizar (IBERO
Puebla, Mexico)

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14. Labor Migration

Coordinator: Elizabeth Pedernal (MSCS
– Asia Delegation)

Presentation: Edna Co (PAASE;
AASSREC – Philippines)

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DAY 4: 05/22/25

8:15 AM – Registration

8:30 AM – Opening Session and Welcome

9:00 AM – Reading of the Draft Final Document

9:30 AM – Roundtable: Europe

Facilitator: Marlene Wildner (CSEM) Brasília - DF, Brazil

Maurizio Ambrosini – Università di Milano, Italy

Ryan Alshebl – Syrian immigrant in Germany (online participation)

Thomas Broch – Diocese of Rottenburg-Stuttgart, Germany

Debate

11:40 AM – Break

11:45 AM – Roundtable: Asia

Facilitator: Edna Co

Michelle Palumbarit – UP-CIFAL Philippines

Nasrikah Paidin – Indonesian migrant leadership in Malaysia

Elizabeth Pedernal – Scalabrinian Missionary Sisters – Manila, Philippines

Discussion

1:15 PM – Lunch

2:30 PM – Roundtable: Migration/Refuge and Intersectionality

Facilitator: Gláucia de Oliveira Assis (UDESC)

Feminization of Migration – Delia Dutra (Universidad de la República, Uruguay)

e Marcos Moreno (Universidade de Brasília, Brasil)

Migrants/Refugees with Disabilities – Barbara Marques – CSEM, Brasília, Brazil

Migratory Irregularity – Maurizio Ambrosini – Università di Milano, Italy

Xenophobia and Racism – Renata de Melo Rosa (online participation)

Debate

5:00 PM – Closing Session and Presentation of the Final Document with a Press Conference

Coordinator: Igor Borges Cunha (CSEM) Brasília - DF, Brazil

5:30 PM – Cocktail

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