Contested Borderscapes

Transnational Geographies vis-à-vis Fortress Europe

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Welcome of Organizers | Auditorium
(Thursday, Sep. 28, 10-10.30pm)

Welcome Activists’ Plenary | Auditorium
(Thursday, Sep. 28, 10.30-2pm)
Konstantinos Polychronopoulos, (member of the social kitchen “Allos anthropos”)
Efi Latsoudi or other member of Solidarity Lesvos-PIKPA
Mehdi Shams (blog Refugees World – Camp of Moria)
Michalis Psimitis (member of the Antiracist Observatory, University of Aegean)
Member of City Plaza (Athens)
Possible intervention of member of “Coordination for migrant – refugee issue in Lesvos”
Interventions from Turkey, Spain, Morocco, Lebanon, Serbia, Bulgaria, France and The Netherlands

Panel 1 | Room A
(Thursday, Sep. 28, 3-5pm)

Governmentality, State and Hyper state policies I
chair: Aimilia Voulvouli

State Responses to Cross-Border Activism on the Western-Balkans Route to Europe: Between Criminalization and Cooperation
Zuzana Pavelková

Border displacement and ambiguous discourses on human rights at the EU South-Western frontier
Lorena Gazzotti

Asylum seekers and refugees with disabilities: the notion of vulnerability, non-refoulement and current challenges under the new Asylum System
Emmanouil Kalaintzis
Panel 2 | Room A
(Thursday, Sep. 28, 5.30-7.30pm)

**Governmentality, State and Hyper state policies II**
chair: Dionysios Gouvias

*Shifting borders: the relegation of the rule of law and the right to move*
Francesca Genduso

*Architectures of Deportation: The Shining Example of Vordernberg*
Andreas Oberprantacher

*Indicators and valuations technologies: on sociotechnical borders and solidarity in Europe*
Fredy Mora-Gámez

Panel 3 | Room B
(Thursday, Sep. 28, 5.30-7.30pm)

**The safety question: safe spaces vs “safe countries”**
chair: Myrto Tsilimpounidi

*Safe and Legal Passages to Europe: the case of humanitarian corridors to Italy*
Susanna Trotta

*Whose safety? Debating the “safe countries” discourses*
Penny - Panagiota Koutrollikou

*Were those who didn’t drown saved?*: Examining new enclosure policies (*paraphrase of Primo Levi’s book: “The Drowned and the Saved”*)
Timokleia Psallidaki

*The Politics of Humanitarianism and Security in Lesbos: crafting a safe space*
Evie Papada, Antonis Vradis
Panel 4 | Room A  
(Friday, Sep. 29, 3-5pm)

**Spaces of solidarity, resistance and commoning I**

chair: Dimitris Papageorgiou

**Refugees Social Movements and Solidarity Networks in The Netherlands**  
Deanna Dadusc

**Frictions and articulations in Catalonia’s migrant rights movement: the case of “Casa Nostra Casa Vostra” campaign**  
Álvaro Ramírez-March and Marisela Montengro

**Spaces of resistance: structural forces and migrants’ everyday lives in the port/border area of Patras**  
Marco Mogiani

**You can not evict a movement. Mobile common spaces in Northern Greece during 2016**  
Haris Tsavdaroglou

Panel 5 | Room A  
(Friday, Sep. 29, 5.30-7.30pm)

**Spaces of solidarity, resistance and commoning II**

chair: Antonis Vradis

**In between war and solidarity. The liminal commons of the Platanos self-organized refugee camp**  
Angelos Varvarousis

**Towards the Cityscapes of Solidarity and Resistance? Exercising the Radical Imagination in the European Cities after the Border Closure**  
Mina Baginova

**En route to fortress Europe: refugees and asylum seekers’ common strategies and struggles**  
José Azoh Barry
Panel 6 | Room A
(Friday, Sep. 29, 12-2pm)

**Tools for migrants’ self-organization and commoning**

chair: Dimitris Papageorgiou

- **Human after all. A participative web-project as resistance to migration control**
  Morgane Dujmovic

- **Tools for self-organization at the borders of research and action**
  Panayotis Antoniadis

- **Humanitarian media intervention: doing free/open infrastructures in times of forced migration**
  Tim Schütz

- **Behind the fence: The construction of everyday life by the forced migrants in Greece**
  Maria - Nerina Boursinou

Panel 7 | Auditorium
(Saturday, Sep. 30, 12-2pm)

**Commoning potentialities of migrants**

chair: Panos Hatziprokopiou

- **Survival And Predation In The Everyday Political Economy Of The Refugee Emergency In Lesvos**
  Anja Franck

- **Reshaping the border. Informal zones of concentration as a ground for migrants’ agency**
  Maria Rocco

- **Inside Perspectives of Refugees on the Process of Border-Crossing**
  Alexandra Koptyaeva
Panel 8 | Room B
(Friday, Sep. 29, 12-2pm)

Migrant labour exploitation vs. solidarity economies
chair: Dionysios Gouvias

“Managing” uncertainty- Georgian domestic workers in Greece
Weronika Zmiejewski

A New Reserve Army of Unemployment: Syrian Migrants in Turkey
Çağla Ünlütürk Ulutaş

The alternative and solidarity economies of refugees: building the commons of the mobile populations
Christina Sakali

‘You, the “Other”!‘ Capitalism, Migration and Wasted Lives
Joana Sousa Ribeiro

Panel 9 | Room A
(Saturday, Sep. 30, 5.30-7.30pm)

Encountering each other: locals, volunteers, and refugees
chair: Sibel Yardımcı

Ethics of volunteering with migrants: voluntary work inside the ‘disciplinary humanitarism’ of large reception centers
Maurizio Artero

The Volunteer-Refugee Encounter in the Management of ‘Camps’: Reflections from Paris and Chios
Kavita Ramakrishnan, Ludek Stavinoha

Riace. The Laboratory of a New European Identity?
Anna Di Giusto

humanKINDER presents The Welcome Tent
Emma Barrett Palmer, Sparky Palmer
Panel 10 | Room B  
*(Saturday, Sep. 30, 5.30-7.30pm)*

**Commoning practices in (in)formal camps**

chair: Haris Tsavdaroglou

*The struggle to become visible – Commoning practices in a migrants’ informal settlement on the South-eastern Aegean Sea*

Dionysios Gouvias

*Camp as a Threshold Institution*

Isshaq Albarbary

*In between: space, time and social liminality in migration*

Pauline Poulain

Panel 11 | Room B  
*(Saturday, Sep. 30, 12-2pm)*

**Migrants’ right to the city**

chair: Murat Cemal Yalçınkaya

*Rethinking urban boundaries from the margins: practices of spatial transgressions among Palestinians and Syrians in Beirut*

Stefano Fogliata

*“We took over by force what was not given to us civilly”. Refugees claim their right to housing in a 1936 squatting incident in Mytilene*

Dimitra Glenti

*Reclaiming the City through Migrant Habitats: Towards the right to a liveable city- Auto construction processes and vernacular architectural technics*

Merve Tuba Tanok and Soner Torlak

*The Role of Collective Insurgent Practices of Refugees in Making Future Cities*

Sara Maani
Panel 12 | Room C
(Saturday, Sep. 30, 12-2pm)

Facts, truths and discourse on migrants and narrative geographies

chair: Olga Lafazani

There are plenty of colors in between black and white. A contrapuntal perspective on current migration movements
Frauke Schacht

Borders and shifting hinterlands in Mediterranean islands: Lesvos and Corsica at the turn of the millennium
Lila Leontidou

Constructing the ‘foreigner’: Discourses of suspicion embedded in bordering practices
Jelena Jovičić, Sarah Philipson Isaac

Hard(ish) Answers to Eas(illy) Asked Questions: Thinking trough facts of migration in Serbia on so called Balkan route
Ana Vilenica

Panel 13 | Room A
(Sunday, Oct. 1, 12-2pm)

Contesting borders: global refugees, dispossession and solidarity

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Marianna Fotaki, Felicita Tramontana, Ajnesh Prasad, Alexis Bushnell, Haneen Salameh, Conor Kenny
Panel 14 I Room C
(Friday, Sep. 29, 12-2pm)

**Queer(y)ing the “refugee crisis”**

chair: Sibel Yardımcı

**The Dislocated Identities In A Floating World: The Iranian Queer Refugees In The Waiting Room**
Gonca Sahin

**Facing Crisis: Queer Representations Against the Backdrop of Athens**
Anna Carastathis, Myrto Tsilimpounidi

**Border Porn and the Sexualisation of Migrant Women**
Anna Casaglia

Panel 15 I Room B
(Thursday, Sep. 28, 3-5pm)

**Representations of borders, refugees & crossings I**

chair: Myrto Tsilimpounidi

**Contested Gazes. Towards a critical topography of border visual representations**
Chiara Giubilaro

**Visual and Material displays of Migration Histor(ies) in Museums/Exhibitions in Germany. Case Study: Greek 'GastarbeiterInnen' in BRD. Towards collaborative museum work with immigration actors**
Christos Zisis

**Refugees depicted in comics: documentation and artistic activism**
Yiannis Koukoulas, Giannis Michailidis

**“The Coldest Summer” and other “post-truth” Stories**
Evi (Evangelia) Sampanikou
Panel 16 | Room C  
(Thursday, Sep. 28, 5.30-7.30pm)

Representations of borders, refugees & crossings II  
chair: Evi Sampanikou

A sea slashed and sutured: Shifting solidarities and striated spaces in the EU’s Southeastern borderscape  
Ioanna Tsoni, Jussi Laine

The inconspicuous contraband  
Leena Naqvi

The Criticize Project  
Sara Guagnini

BORDERS - Refugee drama in public campaigns, experiences of crossborder-interdisciplinary work  
Ethem Özgüven, Petra Holzer

Topological Atlas: Mapping contemporary borderscapes (eina paper)  
Nishat Awan

Panel 17 | Auditorium  
(Friday, Sep. 29, 12-2pm)

Negotiations of Turkish borderscapes  
chair: Eirini Avramopoulou

The History of Contraband Trade in the Borderlands between Turkey-Iran and Iraq in 20th Century  
Turan Keskin

Religious Engagements along the Turkish-Syrian Border  
Secil Dagtas

Border as ‘zone of indistinction’ – Kurds along Turkey’s border with Syria  
Ezgi Tuncer Gurkas

Politicized Spaces: Turkey as a Safe Zone in the Limbo  
Nail Tanrioven, Nazli USTA LAZARIS
Panel 18 | Room C  
(Thursday, Sep. 28, 3-5pm)

**Refugee social movements and the city**

chair: Olga Lafazani

*From Café Terecht to the Just People collective: reflections on/from the borders of geography, social change and antiauthoritarian practices in Nijmegen, The Netherlands*

Dustin Gordon

*The Notion of Border: Nusaybin City; A Case of Urban Warfare*

Mezra Öner

*Freedom of movement struggles and border abolition: solidarity, anarchist politics and decoloniality*

James Ellison, Travis van Isacker

Panel 19 | Room B  
(Friday, Sep. 29, 3-5pm)

**Contesting methodological borders**

chair: Pelin Tan

*Contribution of genuine militant activism of individuals involved in research to their work*

Esfandyar TorkamanRad

*Design Unlikely Futures and The ‘Jungle’*

Liam Healy, Jimmy Loizeau

*The border multiple: pluralizing the spatial dimensions of contested borderscapes*

Eva van Gemert, Rogier van Reekum
Panel 20 | Room C
(Thursday, Sep. 28, 5.30-7.30pm)

**Learning from Lesvos**

chair: Katerina Rozakou

**There is no other**
Georgia - Yulie Tzirou

Governance responses to the “refugee crisis” at the gate of Europe: The case of Lesvos
Alexandra Bousiou, Andrea Spehar

Humanitarian practices: the emergency that Lesvos was under or imposed upon
Nadina Livaditi

Panel 21 | Room D
(Saturday, Sep. 30, 3-5pm)

**Camps, “hotspots” and architectures of enclosure I**

chair: Haris Tsavdaroglou

Border controls as enclosures, Camps as growth machines
Panos Hatziprokopiou

Ecologies of Migration: Metabolic Borderscapes and Relational Architectures
Ramón Córdova González, Heidi Sohn

The bureaucratic production of dystopia in Border Procedures in the context of a ‘hot-spot’
Aimilia Voulvouli
Panel 22 | Room D  
*(Saturday, Sep. 30, 5.30-7.30pm)*

**Camps, “hotspots” and architectures of enclosure II**

Chair: Myrto Tsilimpounidi

The Hauntology of Asylum: Aliens, Specters and Ghost Towns in Europe  
Lorenzo Rinelli

Space as an affective palimpsest: Critical locations of refuge in different times of crisis  
Eirini Avramopoulou

Politics of the Uncertainty. The Hotspot approach and the reshaping of EU migration management  
Carlo Caprioglio, Francesco Ferri, Lucia Gennari

“We run to the border when the whole city runs”: Migrants at, through and beyond the uneasy borderlands governing “Greece”  
Aila Spathopoulou

Panel 23 | Room B  
*(Friday, Sep. 29, 5.30-7.30pm)*

**Philosophical encounters with borders**

Chair: Pelin Tan

Exile, Refugee, Proletarian  
Joseph Grim Feinberg

The Mediterranean Sea Cemetery. Wet Ontology of the Unnamed  
Ilona Jurkonytė

Thinking through the Transmediterranean. Could this 'ship' transgress the imperial epistemic divides between 'self' and 'other'?  
Anna Lauenstein

The refugee crisis through Sophocles’ eyes: re-imagining heterotopias, body politics, subversion and Otherness  
Katerina Liontou, Maria Pantsidou
Panel 24 | Room C  
(Friday, Sep. 29, 3-5pm)

**Spatial transgression, urban boundaries and margins I**  
chair: Antonis Vradis  
**Sanctuary: Reimagining Borders in U.S. Cities**  
Jennifer Scott, Alejandro Caceres  
**Fixing ruptures in the neighborhood**  
Katerina Sidiropulu, Janku Jan Kurka  
**Border towns in Europe**  
Kristina Ilieva  

Panel 25 | Room C  
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**Spatial transgression, urban boundaries and margins II**  
chair: Christy Petropoulou  
**Rethinking urban boundaries from the margins: practices of spatial transgressions among Palestinians and Syrians in Beirut**  
Stefano Fogliata  
**Performing borders everywhere: an ethnography of displacement, exclusion and resistance in modern Athens**  
Maria Kenti Kranidoti  
**Port cities as borderscapes and heterotopias: The case of Piraeus**  
Pafsanias Karathanasis, Athina Stamatopoulou  
**Socio-spatial Integration: A two layered process**  
Asimina Paraskevopoulou
Panel 26 | Room B  
(Sunday, Oct. 1, 12-2pm)

Technologies and strategies of resistance

chair: Evi Sampanikou

Human after all. A participative web-project as resistance to migration control  
Morgane Dujmovic

Algorithmic borders and Post-biopolitical control. Integration, assimilation, anticipation, modulation: New threats to plurality in the Algoricene  
Jaime del Val

Mental maps of asylum seekers: spaces of im/mobillity, individual strategies, practices and politics of mobility in the “refugee crisis”  
Silvia Cardoso

Panel 27 | Room C  
(Sunday, Oct. 1, 12-2pm)

Border narratives, rites and literatures

chair: Lila Leontidou

The “Travelling Tales” book: refugee children’s narratives  
Debora Castiglione

LitBridge-Connecting Cultures through Literature  
Sofia Vyzantiadou

Borders and Boundaries in Greek Literature: The case of Minor Asia  
Maria Margariti
Workshop 28 | Room A
(Saturday, Sep. 30, 12-2pm)

The Representation of Refugees in Visual Arts: A critical approach
Maria Papanikolaou

Workshop 29 | Room B
(Saturday, Sep. 30, 3-5pm)

Workshop and Video Exhibition: Possibilities of first-person narratives in the struggle against xenophobia
Cemile Gizem Dinçer, Özlem Sarıyıldız

Workshop 30 | Room C
(Saturday, Sep. 30, 3-5pm)

Nomad Experiences Lab
Beril Sönmez, "Refugees - we are- Neighbors" Solidarity Network Volunteers

Workshop 31 | PIKPA
(Saturday, Sep. 27-30)

Metatopia/Ontohacking Workshop - Metamedialab
Jaime del Val
Workshop 32 | Room E
(Saturday, Sep. 30, 12-2pm)

People let’s play: a design workshop on the role of play for refugee children stranded in Lesvos
Angeliki Dimaki-Adolfsen

Workshop 33 | Room D
(Friday, Sep. 29, 5.30-7.30pm)

Differently ‘Precarious’ in an Un-walled Europe? Counter-mapping the Newly-Hegemonic Logic of Reactionary Closure
Alessandro Tiberio

Workshop 34 | Room C
(Saturday, Sep. 30, 5.30-7.30pm)

Grasping enclosure’s strategies: a workshop to open up border practices in Southern and Eastern Europe
Marta Perez Irene Rodriguez Newey

Workshop 35 | Room E
(Sunday, Oct. 1, 12-2pm)

Borderscapes Workshop
Ezgi Bakçay
Workshop 36 l Room D  
(*Sunday, Oct. 1, 12-2pm*)

**Power Makes us Sick**  
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**Documentary Films 37 l Auditorium**  
(*Saturday, Sep. 30, 3-5pm*)

**We (?)**  
Sara Guagnini, Marieke Mamarazzi, Britt Myren  
*TRANS|MIGRANCY: there is no there there, nor here here*  
Selma Banich, Merve Bedir, Ana Dana Beroš, Matija Kralj

**Documentary Films 38 l Auditorium**  
(*Saturday, Sep. 30, 5.30-7.30pm*)

**Broken Chords Can Sing A Little**  
Isabel Lima  
**Human Side Project**  
Andrea Panico

**Documentary Films 39 l Auditorium**  
(*Friday, Sep. 29, 5.30-7.30pm*)

**Barbed Wire & Bulldozers**  
Ernest Larsen, Sherry Millner
Documentary Films 40 | Auditorium

(Sunday, Oct. 1, 12-2pm)

Amu Khayat, Political documentary film -Iran
Aliresa Karimi

Crossings
Bikem Ekberzade

Exhibitions | ground floor
(Saturday, Sep. 30, 12-7.30pm)

There is no other
Georgia - Yulie Tziou

No way
Codesign Research Studio

Edges of Europe
Nishat Awan
Ethnofest | Auditorium
*(Friday, Sep. 29, 8-11pm)*

**Borderless** Dir. Ahmad Albakri | 5’ | 2014 | Cyprus, Palestine

**Document: Hoyerswerda| Frontex** Dir. Thomas Kaske | 15’ | 2014 | Germany

**A Life Suspended** Dir: Kazuyo Minamide | 37’ | 2013 | Japan, Greece, Bangladesh

**Between War and Waiting** Dir: Babette Bürgi & Kristijan Gucanin | 35’ | 2015 | The Netherlands

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**The Ethos of City Plaza** Dir: Konstantinos Tsaras, Yagmur Kocak, Leopold Helbich | 10’ | 2016 | Greece

**Living beyond Borders** Dir: Mauro Bucci 103’ | 2016 | Italy
Roundtables
(Sunday, Oct. 1, 3-5pm)

A: The notion of the border | Auditorium
(Jaime del Val, Panos Hatziprokipiou, Lila Leontidou, Katerina Rozakou, Evthymios Papataxiarchis)

B: Migrants commoning practices | Room A
(Dionysios Gouvias, Irene Peano, Pelin Tan, Haris Tsavdaroglou)

C: New intersectional enclosures | Room B
(Anna Carastathis, Katya Sander, Murat Cemal Yanli, Sibel Yardinci)

D: State and Hyperstate migrant policies | Room C
(Firat Genc, Electra Petrakou, Antonis Vradis, Aimilia Voulvouli)

E: Representations and communication | Room D
(Sophia Koufopoulou, Dimitris Papageorgiou, Christy Petropoulou, Evi Sampanikou, Myrto Tsilimpoundi)

Performance I Room A or Open Amphitheater
(Sunday, Oct. 1, 9pm)

Metatopia
Jaime del Val