

Call for papers



7th – 9th June 2013

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Although mobility and migrations have become one of the most prominent research topics in social sciences in the last few decades, the impact of migrations on children has not been thoroughly explored. Due to high mobility connected to globalization the number of migrants' children and third culture kids will be growing. During the conference we would like to analyze the experiences of children who had spent a significant part of their childhood and/or youth in other country than their parents' country of origin. As this multidimensional phenomenon should be approached from an interdisciplinary perspective, we would like to invite researchers and practitioners dealing with migration issues or working with migrants' children (or adults who had the experience of migration in their biography). The aim of the conference would be to understand the impact of very different forms of migrations (i.e. forced migrations, economic migrations, return migrations) on children, including long-term consequences. Aside the scientific significance of the conference, we hope that our analysis and discussions will also result in identifying the ways of helping those, for whom migration has been a difficult or traumatic experience.

Papers and presentations might address

(but need not be limited to) the following themes:

- Adaptation problems and potential ways of solving them
- Children in the context of religious education: theory & practice
- Identities of migrants' children
- Adult life of migrants' children
- Parenting in the process of migration
- The role of language, religion, gender and traditions
- The role of education system & specificity of international schools
- Unique resources and competences of migrants' children
- Legal and administrative issues of migrants' children
- Spirituality as an important resource for stability in the midst of changes.

And might focus on the children of :

- Refugees
- Economic migrants
- Highly skilled migrants and expatriates
- Transnational company & government employees (Third Culture Kids)
- Return migrants

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Please send abstracts (max. 300 words) to:

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Important dates:

1st March 2013	– abstracts submission
15th March 2013	– acceptance notification
10th April 2013	– registration & fees
7th - 9th June 2013	– conference

Further information can be obtained from the conference organizers. Please e-mail us on: **migrantschildren@gmail.com**

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Conference fee:

EUR	PLN	
80	320	Standard fee
50	200	Phd students & candidates
30	120	Students



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