

AGENDA

Turkey's Experience with Urban Refugees: Modalities and Future Perspective

**UNHCR Turkey
Third Academic Network Seminar
15 & 16 May 2012**

15 May 2012

09:30-10:00 Registration

10:00 – 10:15 Opening Speeches

Ms. Carol Batchelor, Representative, UNHCR Turkey

10:15-11:00 Keynote Speech

** What is an 'Urban Refugee'? And does it Matter?*

Prof. James Hathaway, Department of Law, University of Michigan

11:00- 12:30 Panel I -

Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mehmet Okyayuz, Department of Political Science and Public Administration, Middle East Technical University

Panelists:

** Urban Segregation, Refugees and Typologies*

Prof. İbrahim Sirkeci, Regent's Centre for Transnational Studies, Regent's College London

** Conceptualization of Urban Refugees within Metropolitan Areas: Challenges and Prospects*

Dr. Başak Kale, Department of International Relations, Middle East Technical University



** Bios versus Zoé: A Theoretical Approach to Satellite City Regulation*
Dr. Deniz Şenol Sert, Migration Research Program at Koç University
(MiReKoc), Koç University
Research Assist. Ugur Yildiz, Migration Research Program at Koç
University (MiReKoc), Koç University

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch

13:30 - 15:00 Panel II-

*Moderator: Asst. Prof. Dr. Pınar Uyan Semerci, Director, Bilgi University Center for
Migration Studies*

Panelists:

** Social Dimensions of Urban Refugees, Adaptation, Identity Problems and
Solutions*

Dr. Özgür Avcı, Department of Public Relations, Atılım University

** Integration Problems of Urban Refugees, Solution Suggestions and Future
Perspective in Turkey's 2023 Objectives*

Prof. Dr. İsmail Bircan, Vice-Rector, Atılım University

** Local Governments' Approaches and Policies Regarding Urban Refugee Concept
in Turkey*

Assist. Prof. Dr. Savaş Zafer Şahin, Department of Political Science and
Public Administration

** "Cities of Sanctuary" in Turkey: Implications of "City of Sanctuary" Movement
for Turkey*

Assist. Prof. Dr. Ali Bilgiç, Department of International Relations, Bilkent
University

15:00 - 15:15 Break

15:15 - 17:15 Panel III -

*Moderator: Assist. Prof. Dr. Seber Cesur Kızılaslan, Department of Social Work, Arel
University*



Panelists:

** The Psychosocial Problems that Refugees Encounter in Turkey and Suggested Solutions*

Dr. Nedret Öztan, Department of Psychology, Bilkent University

** Prevention of Stigmatization in the Analysis of Psychosocial and Health Problems of Refugees*

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Şükran Sevimli, Department of Deontology and History of Medicine, Van Yüzüncü Yıl University

**The Evaluation of the Asylum Seekers from Social Psychological Aspects in More Livable City Scale*

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Betül Dilara Şeker, Department of Psychology, Van Yüzüncü Yıl University

** Comparison of Asylum and Forced Migration Experiences from Psychological Dimension: Paris and İzmir Examples*

Assist. Prof. Dr. Zübeyit Gün, Department of Psychology, Gediz University

** Being a Refugee/ an Asylum Seeker as a Child: Issues and Recommendations*
Prof. Dr. H. Gülsen Erden, Department of Psychology, Ankara University

17:30

Reception

16 May 2012

09:30-10:45 Panel I -

Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Boldizsar Nagy, International Law Department, Eötvös Loránd University and Central European University

Panelists:

**Historical origins of Turkey's Contemporary Asylum Practices*

Prof. Dr. Kemal Kirişçi, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Boğaziçi University

** Asylum-Seekers in Turkey: Problems and Expectations*

Prof. Dr. Ali Çağlar, Department of Political Science and Public Administration, Hacettepe University



* *Refugees: "Informal Contributions" and Challenges in Urban Areas*

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Helga Rittersberger Tılıç, Department of Sociology,
Middle East Technical University

10:45 - 11:00 Break

11:00 – 12:30 Panel II –

Moderator: Assist. Prof. Dr. Dolunay Özbek, Department of Law, Istanbul Bilgi University

Panelists:

* *National and International Legislation on Urban Refugees and Legislative Developments*

Assist. Prof. Dr. Doğa Aydoğan, Department of Law, Atılım University

* *Substantive Rights of Refugees and Asylum Seekers in Turkey: Need for Thematic and Categorical Regulation*

Prof. Dr. Bülent Çiçekli, Supreme Board of Judges and Prosecutors

* *Problems of Refugees and Asylum Seekers Arising from Family Law*

Prof. Dr. Nuray Ekşi, Department of Law, Istanbul Kültür University

* *Legal Problems Faced by Urban Refugees and Asylum-Seekers in Turkey*

Adv. Prof. Dr. Vahit Bıçak, Security Sciences Faculty, Police Academy

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch

13:30 - 15:00 Panel III –

Moderator: Dr. Franck Düvell, Convenor of Turkish Migration Studies (TurkMis), Oxford University, Center of Migration Policy and Society (COMPAS)

Panelists:

* *Social Networks of Refugees in Turkey and their Role in Migratory Decision-Making*

PhD Candidate Marieke Wissink, Technology and Society Studies
Department, Maastricht University/TurkMis Group



* *Social and Economic Incorporation of Iranian Refugees in Ankara*
Research Assist. Yasemin Akis, Department of Sociology, Middle East
Technical University/ TurkMis Group

* *City of Van in Eastern Turkey: Exploration of Border Satellite City from the
Perspective of Refugee Experience*
PhD Candidate Z. Özge Biner, University of Strasbourg, Department of
Sociology/TurkMis Group

* *Framing Refugee Research in the Context of Urban Studies*
PhD Candidate Kristen Biehl, Department of Social Anthropology, Oxford
University/ TurkMis Group

15:00 - 15:15 Break

15:15 - 17:15 Panel IV –

*Moderator: Prof. Dr. Kuvvet Lordođlu, Department of Labor Economics and Industrial
Relations, Marmara University*

Panelists:

* *Urban Bureaucracy's Approach to Use of Asylum Seekers as Unregistered
Labor Force: Van Example*
Dr. Ürüngü Akgül, Department of Anthropology, Van Yüzüncü Yıl
University

* *Analysis of Social Support Perceptions of Asylum Seeker Women in Afyon*
Research Assist. Özgün Uyanık, Department of Primary Education, Afyon
Kocatepe University

* *Conditions of Asylum Seekers and Refugees in Socio-Economically
Underdeveloped Satellite Cities: Ağrı Example*
Assist. Prof. Dr. Sinan Kocaman, Department of Primary Education, Ağrı
İbrahim Çeçen University



** Living Conditions and Demographic Profiles of Iranian and Afghan Refugees in Van*

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Orhan Deniz, Department of Geography, Van Yüzüncü Yıl University

** Use of Technological Opportunities for Solution to Problems of Urban Refugees and Implementation*

Assist. Prof. Dr. Anıl Çekiç, Department of Political Science and Public Administration, Atılım University

