Nordic Asylum Law Seminar 2017
Workshop schedule

Stream 1: EU Asylum Law and International Law
Stream 2: Nordic Asylum Law and Policy
Stream 3: Individual Assessments and Vulnerable Groups
Stream 4: Practices, Experiences and Insights from Other Disciplines

DAY 1
29th of May

Workshop 1 (Stream 1):
General CEAS Developments and Safe Third Countries
HT-102
10:15 – 12:00
Chair: Constantin Hruschka

• Margarite H. Zoeteweij: “Protection (else-)where? The safety of third countries’
• Vera Honuskova: “Is there a future for temporary protection?”
• Eleni Takou: “EU-Turkey deal as condensation of the politics of deterrence”

Workshop 2 (Stream 2):
The Shaping of Nordic Asylum Policy
HT-101
11:00 – 12:45
Chair: Jessica Schultz

• Aaron Ponce: “Are the Nordic Universal Welfare States a Magnet for Migration?”
• Arndis A.K. Gunnarsdóttir: “Iceland: an island in the Common European Asylum System”
• Eeva Puumala: “The operation of intimate economies of detention in Finland: a system in the making”
• Anna Tryggvadóttir: “Do administrative decision makers have a policy role in migration management”?
Workshop 3 (Stream 3):
Human Rights and Refugee law
HT-105
11:00 – 12:45
Chair: Oddný Mjöll Arnardóttir

• Rebecca Thorburn Stern: "Game changer? The possible impact of recent E CtHR case law on Article 3 and illness for the assessment of humanitarian grounds in Sweden”
• Carmelo Danisi: "Personal characteristics vs. objective situations in the application of the ECHR to asylum seekers' claims: towards a more coherent interpretation of the European human rights system?”
• Nuno Ferreira: "Seeking asylum in Europe: Delving into sexual orientation and gender identity asylum claims”
• Helge Årsheim: “Finding Religion – assessing religion-based asylum claims in Norway and Canada”

Workshop 4 (Stream 4):
Screening, Profiling and the Securitization of Migration
HT-103
11:00 – 12:45
Chair: Helgi Gunnlaugsson

• Mi Christiansen: “Movement of terrorists – screening of asylum seekers”
• Markus Himanen: “Internal Immigration Controls by the Police Forces: Ethnic Profiling of Minorities and Criminalization of Asylum Seekers?”
• Linda Janku: “(In)Compatibility of Article 14 (4) and (6) of the Qualification Directive with the 1951 Refugee Convention”

Workshop 5 (Stream 1):
Access to Protection
HT-101
13:45 – 15:30
Chair: Rebecca Thorburn Stern

• Silvia Adamo: "Ticket and Passport Please”: Carrier Liability, Outsourcing of Immigration Tasks, and Border Control within Europe”
• Richard L. Kilpatrick, Jr. and LT Adam Smith: “Heroes, Deputies or Outlaws? The Role of NGO Rescuers in the Mediterranean Migration Crisis”
• Valsamis Mitsilegas: “Extraterritorial Immigration Control as Preventive Justice”
• Jason Tucker: “Questioning UNHCR’s ‘Protection Hierarchy’ and the Impact of not Identifying the Statelessness of Refugees: Comparing Denmark and Sweden”
Workshop 6 (Stream 3):
**Producing and Resisting Vulnerabilities through Migration Law and Policies**
HT-103
13:45 – 15:30
Chair: Magdalena Kmak
- Mikaela Heikkilä and Maija Mustaniemi-Laakso: “Juggling between protection and deterrence: The role of law and politics in aggravating and mitigating migrant vulnerability in Europe”
- Laura Tarvainen: “Vulnerability in asylum process; the Finnish example”
- Erna Kristin Blöndal: “Vulnerability and the assessment of the minimum level of severity required in connection with non-refoulement”
- Magdalena Kmak: “Engaging vulnerability: Undocumented migrants as European minority”

Workshop 7 (Stream 4):
**Mobilities and Transnational Iceland**
HT-105
13:45 – 15:30
Chair: James Rice
- Gudbjorg Ottosdottir and Maja Loncar: “Young adult refugees and asylum seekers: making transitions into adulthood”
- Unnur Dis Skaptadóttir and Helga Katrín Tryggvadóttir: “I just need a place to stay”: Experiences of exclusion among asylum seekers
- James G. Rice and Eyrún Ólöf Sigurðardóttir: “At the borders: Iceland, Frontex and Fortress Europe”
- Snjólaug Sigurjónsdóttir: “The experiences of professionals in social services in municipalities in Iceland who are in roles of support to asylum seekers”

Workshop 8 (Stream 4):
**Towards Common Standards? The Perspective of the Associated States**
HT-102
13:45 – 15:30
Chair: Vigdis Vevstad
- Tino (Constantin) Hruschka: „Associated to Common Standards?“
- Nula Frei: “Legal and practical challenges of the Dublin and Schengen association of Switzerland and Liechtenstein.”
- Þorsteinn Gunnarsson: How to be partly a part of a common system.
- Dobromira Tjessem: The Norwegian perspective
WORKSHOP 9 (STREAM 1):
The Dublin System and Other Relocation Issues
HT-102
11:00 – 12:45
Chair: Jens Vedsted-Hansen
- Nele Verbrugghe: “Dublin IV: an analysis in light of fundamental rights”
- Akiva Weiss: “Kaleidoscopes: On the Legality of Refugee Transfers”
- Sarah P. -Theuerkauf: “The Dublin IV proposal - Towards more solidarity and protection of individual rights?”
- Eleni Karageorgiou: “The distribution of asylum related responsibilities in European Asylum Policies: Dublin, partnerships with third countries and the question of solidarity”

WORKSHOP 10 (STREAM 2):
Protection Alternatives in the Nordic Countries
HT-101
10:15 – 12:00
Chair: Anna Tryggvadóttir
- Jessica Schultz: “The ‘internal protection alternative’ in Norwegian law and practice: the case of families and minors from Afghanistan”
- Natalia Caicedo and Andrea Romano: ”Vulnerability in the context of relocation and resettlement programmes: enhancing protection or dealing with refugees shopping?”

WORKSHOP 11 (STREAM 3):
Minors and Children
HT-103
10:15 – 12:00
Chair: Elina Pirjatanniemi
- Elina Pirjatanniemi: “Renegotiating the Best Interest of the Child - the Case of Family Reunification”
- Hilde Lidén: “Unaccompanied minors as victims of human trafficking”
- Milka Sormunen: “Recent amendments to the Finnish Aliens Act from a children’s rights perspective”
- Bragi Guðbrandsson and Heiða Björg Pálmadóttir: “Multy-disciplinary and inter-agency cooperation in cases of unaccompanied children and possible victims of trafficking - Child-friendly model of intervention”
Workshop 12 (Stream 4):
Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Path to Legal Protection

HT-105
10:15 – 12:00
Chair: Pia Hansson

- Eeva Puumala and Riitta Ylikomi: “The dynamics of asylum determination interviews. An analysis of interaction, vulnerability and the politics of protection”
- Riitta Ylikomi: “Psychological factors affecting memory, narration and interaction in asylum interviews: the effect of complex traumatisation.”
- Solvei Skogstad: “Information and counselling for asylum seekers – models and methods.”
- Andrea Verdasco: “We do it to take care of you, not to hurt you”: amidst care and control in Danish asylum centres for the unaccompanied.”