



## Theorising Transnationalism and Mobility

### *Call for papers*

International doctoral workshop of the project “Mobilities and transnational Iceland” at the University of Iceland, Reykjavik, 27-29 September, 2017

#### **Description**

The changing world's geo-political situation, economic transformations and technological advancements have resulted in intensified movement of people, comprised of ubiquitous and different forms of mobility, including large numbers of labour migrations, refugee flows, business travel, educational exchange, and tourism. These diverse mobilities are shaped and influenced by existing mobility regimes – economic and political structures, cultural values, imaginations and prevailing ideologies as well as have multiple institutional, social and cultural ramifications. Increasingly dynamic social relations and growing global interconnectedness (and interdependency) pose theoretical and methodological challenges, with mobility paradigm and transnational studies being extensively applied by social scientist. This workshop will focus on theoretical (and methodological) potentials and challenges of mobility and transnationalism. We invite students interested in socio-economical aspects of contemporary movements of people, institutional frameworks and legal factors as well as issues of cultural politics and representation of mobile individuals. The workshop is a part of the project Mobilities and Transnationalism in Iceland organized by Kristín Loftsdóttir, professor of Anthropology at the University of Iceland, Unnur Dís Skaptadóttir, professor of Anthropology at the University of Iceland and Sigurjón Baldur Hafsteinsson, professor of Museum Studies at the University of Iceland.

#### **Keynote speakers:**

**Noel B. Salazar**, Professor of Anthropology, University of Leuven, Belgium, **Toby Miller**, Professor in Media and Cultural Studies, University of California, Riverside and **Dimitris Dalakoglou**, Professor of Social Anthropology, Vrije University, Amsterdam.

#### **Organization of the workshop**

The workshop consists of keynote lectures as well as students' presentations followed by group discussions. Thus, the workshop provides opportunity for doctoral students to discuss their ongoing work, research design and theoretical assumptions as well as get feedback from invited teachers and fellow participating students. Selected students will be required to deliver written presentation (not less than 2000 words) by 1<sup>st</sup> of September. Each student will receive two assigned reviewers as well will be asked to prepare comments to one of the fellow participants. Participating students can be granted 5 ECTS.

#### **Eligibility and Application procedure**

We invite doctoral students from different fields of social sciences (sociology, anthropology, social work, economics, business studies, political science and law) whose research interest is related to topics of – broadly understood - mobility and transnationalism. The workshop is limited to 12 students.

In order to apply, please fill out attached application (also available on the project's page: [www.mobileiceland.hi.is](http://www.mobileiceland.hi.is)) and send it along with 300 words abstract to Anna Wojtyńska, [annawo@hi.is](mailto:annawo@hi.is) by 10 June, 2017. Selected participants will be notified by end of June.

#### **Fees and travel grants**

The workshop is free of charge. The organizers will provide accommodation for the international students. There are also available limited number of travelling grants to reimburse costs up to 1000 euro.

#### **Financing**

The workshop is financed by Rannís, Icelandic Research Fund through the “Mobilities and Transnational Iceland” project of excellence. More information about the project: [mobileiceland.hi.is](http://mobileiceland.hi.is). In case of further questions, please contact Anna Wojtyńska, [annawo@hi.is](mailto:annawo@hi.is).