Call for Papers: Transatlantic Policy Consortium (TPC) 2017 Workshop

“Migration, Entrepreneurship and Participation, and Public Policy”

June 9-10, 2017

Stockholm

Swedish Entrepreneurship Forum will host the 2017 meeting of the Transatlantic Policy Consortium (TPC) on June 9-10 in Stockholm. The theme of the TPC workshop is Migration, Entrepreneurship and Participation, and Public Policy.

Migration flows in a globalized world raise many questions for policymakers and for the societies they serve. Policymakers face pressing questions related to the priorities, design, implementation and measurement of policies and regulations governing migration. The economic, political, and social dimensions of migration are not well understood, particularly as they relate to large migration flows. Practical, tangible lessons for public administration and public policy across administrative and geographic units are necessary. The dynamics of immigration in receiving and sending countries are also being investigated with a new set of questions.

The organizing committee invites submissions concerning the implications and policy environment of migration in the Transatlantic perspective. Theoretical and empirical papers are welcome, and the organizing committee encourages comparative empirical studies, case studies, and multi-level studies. The best papers from the workshop will be considered for a compilation of a special issue in an academic journal or edited volume.

Topics

The following are examples of some relevant topics for the workshop:

- How do immigrants engage in economic and social participation, broadly defined? This includes behaviors like self-employment, starting new firms, investing in human capital, exporting, and so on.
- Public policies related to the participation of immigrants in social and economic life, broadly defined? What explains social and economic outcomes of immigrants?
- What are the costs and benefits of migration?
- How has public administration related to immigration changed over time? What has driven this change?
- How do open borders and regional integration affect migration flows, movement, and social and economic participation of migrants? What shapes the dynamics of migration in different places?
- How does migration affect public policy debates and policy making in different countries? How do governments manage different types of migration? What is effective? What do policy makers have to consider when designing relevant policies?
- Administration of the application, intake, evaluation, and decision processes related to different types of migration.
- Impact of migration in the receiving area.
- Impact of migration in the sending area.
- Public administration related to remittances.
• Social norms and perceptions of immigrants, and implications for government and policymakers.
• Multi-level analysis of economic and social outcomes of immigrants (for example, the individual or household level, the city or region level, the country level)
• How do receiving countries manage large inflows of forced migrants?
• Do immigrants who enter with different types of status (e.g. economic, family reunification, etc) have different social and economic outcomes?
• Entrepreneurship among different types of immigrants – individual factors, institutional and regulatory factors.
• Labor market participation of immigrants.
• Firm performance and immigration – how do firms founded or staffed by migrants perform?
• Innovation and immigration.
• What role does the media play in shaping opportunities and aspirations of immigrants in economic and social participation?
• Economic integration of immigrants: How do national labor market regulations affect economic participation of immigrants? What determines the entry, length, nature, and contribution of economic participation of immigrants of different types?
• Are refugee immigrants different from other groups of immigrants in economic outcomes? How do legal and regulatory arrangements related to refugee immigrants differ?
• What happens to forced migrants who are not granted protected status?
• Second generation participation in educational, social and economic life: What determines educational achievement in the second generation? What explains differences across countries? What shapes investment in human capital and economic outcomes of second generation?
• What policies affect integration of immigrants, and of their children?
• Language, immigration, integration, and policy. How do immigrants acquire language ability? How do governments define integration, and how is successful integration measured?
• What can we learn from comparative crossnational studies?
• Economic geography implications of migration: Why do migrants go where they go?

Abstract/paper submission
Abstracts should be sent to britt-marie.nordstrom@entreprenorskapsforum.se via email by 15 April 2017. Authors will be notified of acceptance by 20 April 2017. Working paper with preliminary results, or completed papers, are expected by 31 May 2017. Please include “TPC 2017” as the subject line in correspondence. Questions may be directed to Britt-Marie Nordström at britt-marie.nordstrom@entreprenorskapsforum.se

Location and travel information:
The 2017 Transatlantic Policy Consortium will be held at Hotel C Stockholm (www.hotelcstockholm.com; Vasaplan 4, 111 20 Stockholm) in Stockholm. The workshop will be held on Friday, June 9 and Saturday morning, June 10. A more detailed schedule and travel information, will be posted in early April. There will be no registration fee to attend the workshop. Participants are expected to arrange for their own travel to the workshop.
You can sign up for the conference via this link: https://www.lyyti.fi/reg/TPC_9573

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Host institution:
Swedish Entrepreneurship Forum is the leading network organization for initiating, conducting and communicating policy relevant research in the field of entrepreneurship, innovation, business dynamics and growth.

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- to serve as a bridge between the entrepreneurship research community and all agents active in development of new and small enterprises.
- to initiate and disseminate research relevant to policy in the fields of entrepreneurship, innovation and SME.
- to offer entrepreneurship researchers a forum for idea sharing, to build national and international networks in the field and to bridge the gap between research and practical application.

The Forum is one of three organizations behind the prestigious international research prize, Global Award for Entrepreneurship Research. Swedish Entrepreneurship Forum organizes about 40 seminars / conferences annually in Sweden and internationally; some of the yearly activities include the Swedish Entrepreneurship Summit, Swedish Philanthropy Summit and Swedish Economic Forum. The Swedish Entrepreneurship Forum is the Swedish partner of the Global Entrepreneurship Monitor.