

**ERC Starting Grant Project “Diasporas and Contested Sovereignty”
Survey Workshop, Warwick University, May 3, 2016**

Cross-national Survey

After qualitative comparative research and series of inter-coder discussions and tests in 2014-2016, aiming to help the evolution of theory explaining transnational diaspora mobilization, the ERC Project “Diasporas and Contested Sovereignty” is currently proceeding with the quantitative part of the planned research, seeking to launch a cross-national survey in Europe. Six conflict-generated diasporas will be polled – Albanian, Armenian, Bosnian, Kurdish, Iraqi and Palestinian – in five Western European countries – France, Germany, the Netherlands, Sweden and the United Kingdom. The large-scale survey will shed light on the levels of transnational diaspora mobilization for countries of origin, while engaging hypotheses stemming from the domains of citizenship and migration integration regimes, foreign policy, influences of original homelands, as well as critical events in different locations. This survey will be path-breaking with its large-scale scope and endeavours to combine hypotheses from a variety of scholarly domains in order to account for the substance and levels of diaspora mobilization.

The survey will be conducted in the second part of 2016 among 25 country-groups (a country-group is for example: Palestinians in the UK, Kurds in the Netherlands, Albanians in Germany, etc.). Each country-group will be comprised of migrant and diaspora populations estimated to be in excess of 10,000 in each country. The survey will be conducted in both host-country and homeland languages, and will seek to poll a stratified random sample of 5,000 persons in total, or 200 per country-group. A pilot survey, encompassing smaller samples, will be conducted in the United Kingdom and the Netherlands during the summer of 2016.

Survey Workshop and Advisory Board

The ERC Project “Diasporas and Contested Sovereignty” will hold a survey workshop on May 3, 2016 with experts in polling migrants and individuals with origins in conflict and post-conflict regions. The one-day workshop will examine the sampling frame, sample size, sampling techniques, translation in multiple languages, questionnaire design, non-response rates and data cleaning. As part of the procedures to launch the survey, the project has established an advisory board. The names of the advisory board members are listed below in alphabetical order:

Dr. **Kristin Bakke**, Department of Political Science, University College, London
Professor **Pieter Bevelander**, Malmo Institute for Migration, Diversity and Welfare
Dr. **Philippe Blanchard**, Politics and International Studies Department, Warwick University
Dr. **Rachel Gisselquist**, United Nations University, Helsinki
Professor **Michael Jones-Correa**, Government Department, Cornell University
Dr. **Alita Nandi**, Institute for Economic and Social Research, Essex University
Professor **Lucinda Platt**, London School of Economics and Political Science
Professor **Paul Statham**, Director for the Sussex Centre on Migration Research



Survey Workshop Programme for 3 May, 2016

The workshop will take place in the Scarman Conference Centre at the following address:

The University of Warwick
Scarman Road (Signposted from Gibbet Hill Road)
Coventry, CV4 7SH, United Kingdom
Tel: +44 (0) 24 7622 1111

<http://www.warwickconferences.com/about-us/contact-us#sthash.a50TMP03.dpuf>

10:00 – 10:30 – refreshments at the lobby of Scarman Conference Center

10:30 – 12:30 – room: Syndicate 9: Discussion of survey-related documentation: sampling frame, sample size, sampling techniques, translation in multiple languages, questionnaire design, non-response rates, and data cleaning.

12:30 – 13:30 – lunch at Scarman Conference Centre restaurant

13:30 – 15:30 – room: syndicate 9: Discussion of the draft survey questionnaire.

15:30 – 16:00 – concluding remarks.