THE CENTRE FOR CITIZENSHIP, IDENTITIES AND GOVERNANCE BOOK LAUNCH
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The Contested Politics of Mobility: Borderzones and Irregularity - Vicki Squire
Migration, Agency and Citizenship in Sex Trafficking - Rutvica Andrijasevic

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The Contested Politics of Mobility: Borderzones and Irregularity (Routledge)
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Critically intervening in debates around the governing of irregular migration, The Contested Politics of Mobility: Borderzones and Irregularity explores the politics of mobility through what is defined as an ‘analytic of irregularity’. It brings together authors who address issues of mobility and irregularity from a range of distinct perspectives, to focus on the politics of control as well as the politics of migration. The volume develops an account of irregularity as a produced, ambivalent and contested socio-political condition, showing how this is activated through wide-ranging ‘borderzones’ that pull between migration and control. Covering cases from across contemporary North America and Europe and examining a range of control mechanisms, such as biometrics, deportation and workplace raiding, the volume makes a timely intervention in the intersecting fields of critical citizenship, migration and security studies.

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Migration, Agency and Citizenship in Sex Trafficking (Palgrave)

This study aims to reset the agenda on sex trafficking. Methodologically daring, it brings poststructuralist approaches on migration, labour and political subjectivities to existing studies on European integration, labour markets and gender-based violence. By linking a number of scholarly debates and discursive areas that are not commonly brought together in studies on sex trafficking, the book sets out to expose the link between sex trafficking and the constitution of citizenship and advance a scholarly re-conceptualisation of ‘sex trafficking’ grounded in the particularity of the European situation. Based on original ethnographic interviews with migrant women in the sex sector, the book shifts the theorisation of sex trafficking away from the criminalisation paradigm and towards a new theory of agency and citizenship.

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PROGRAMME

18:00 - 18:05  Dr Claudia Aradau (OU): welcome and introductions
18:05 - 18:15  Professor Engin Isin (OU): *The Contested Politics of Mobility: Borderzones and Irregularity* and *Migration, Agency and Citizenship in Sex Trafficking*
18:15 - 18:25  Professor Peter Nyers (McMaster University, Canada): *The Contested Politics of Mobility: Borderzones and Irregularity*
18:25 - 18:35  Professor Diane Perrons (London School of Economics, UK): *Migration, Agency and Citizenship in Sex Trafficking*
18:35 - 18:40  Professor Engin Isin (OU): Stakes, claims, relations
18:40 - 19:00  Open discussion with Dr Rutvica Andrijasevic (Leicester University) and Dr Vicki Squire (OU)
19:00 - 20:00  Reception