Workshop within the framework of the Annual Conference of the INTEGRIM Network
December 12, 2014 (9:00 a.m. – 1:10 p.m.)

RESEARCH PUZZLES AND COMPETING APPROACHES TO STUDYING ROMA MIGRATION

Venue: Central European University, Monument Building, 1st floor, Popper Room
Nádor Street 9, 1051 Budapest, Hungary

The aim of the workshop is to bring senior and junior scholars together who work on topics related to various aspects of migration, Roma, and Roma migration. Roma migration has been increasingly in the focus of scholarly interest as Roma, generally losers of the transition from state-socialist economies to capitalism, started to migrate from poorer regions and countries to wealthier ones as part of their survival strategies under the new circumstances. In the last two decades the migration process has been varied both with regard to its extent and composition of migrants. For many years, Roma have sought refugee status in Western European countries but were turned away, however, with the opening up of the labor markets and /or borders for new member states, migration intensified and brought about intense political and social rejection in several EU member states. The process raises a number of new questions both in sending and receiving countries concerning migration.

The workshop is planned to be genuinely interactive: senior scholars working on Roma migration will present their work while junior scholars studying other migration related topics will act as discussants. Thus we aim to generate a fruitful debate between senior and junior scholars on the one hand, and link the conceptual, theoretical and empirical experiences of ‘migration research’ and ‘Roma migration research’, on the other.

WORKSHOP CONVENERS:

Vera Messing, Research Fellow, Center for Policy Studies, Central European University (Budapest, Hungary)

Zsuzsanna Vidra, Research Fellow, Center for Policy Studies, Central European University (Budapest, Hungary)

CHAIRS:

Tina Magazzini, INTEGRIM early-stage researcher, University of Deusto (Bilbao, Spain)

Stefano Piemontese, INTEGRIM early-stage researcher, Center for Policy Studies, Central European University (Budapest, Hungary)
### First session: 9:00 – 10:40

**Judit Durst**, University College London, Department of Anthropology (United Kingdom)

“‘This is getting to be like Canada’: Transnational economic strategies of Hungarian Roma migrating to Canada and then to the UK. A comparative study”

**Discussant:** Claudia Paraschivescu, INTEGRIM early-stage researcher, Center for Ethnic and Migration Studies, University of Liege (Belgium)

**Discussant:** Reinhard Schweitzer, INTEGRIM early-stage researcher, Sussex Center for Migration Research, University of Sussex (United Kingdom)

**Stefánia Toma & László Fosztó**, Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities (Cluj, Romania)

“MIGROM - Causes or consequences of international migration of Roma - the interplay of economic, religious factors and changes in social networks”

**Discussant:** Celine Cantat, INTEGRIM early-stage researcher, International Migration, Space and Society, University of Poitiers (France)

**Discussant:** Iulius-Cezar Macarie, INTEGRIM early-stage researcher, Center for Policy Studies, Central European University (Budapest, Hungary)

### Second session: 11:00 – 12:40

**Alexey Pamporov**, Institute for the Study of Societies and Knowledge, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (Sofia, Bulgaria)

“Research tools and methodological issues in the study of Roma migration within the European Union”

**Discussant:** Jill Ahrens, INTEGRIM early-stage researcher, Institute of Geography and Regional Planning, University of Lisbon (Portugal)

**Discussant:** Davide Gnes, INTEGRIM early-stage researcher, Institute for Migration and Ethnic Studies, University of Amsterdam (Netherlands)

**Giovanni Picker**, Institute for Advanced Study, Central European University, (Budapest, Hungary)

“Policy Logic and the Spatial Segregation of Roma in Urban Europe: The Cases of Florence and Cluj-Napoca”

**Discussant:** Franz Buhr, INTEGRIM early-stage researcher, Institute of Geography and Regional Planning, University of Lisbon (Portugal)

**Discussant:** Amandine Desille, INTEGRIM early-stage researcher, International Migration, Space and Society, University of Poitiers (France)

### Break: 10:40 – 11:00

### 12:40 – 12:55

**Marek Szilvási and Kieran O’Reilly**, European Roma Rights Centre (Budapest, Hungary)

ERRC new edition of the Journal of the European Roma Rights Centre: “Going Nowhere? Western Balkan Roma and EU Visa Liberalisation”

### 12:55 – 13:10

Q&A