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Women's And Human Rights in Times of Global Challenges

Seminar Invitation

The **4EU+ Alliance Visiting Professorship** project conducted by Professor Aneta Ostaszewska, the **University of Warsaw**, the Centre for Women's and Gender Research, in partnership with the scientific committee of the **University of Milan** represented by Professor Marilisa D'Amico, Vice-Rector for Legality, Transparency, and Equality of Right and Dr. Costanza Nardocci.

TENTATIVE CALENDAR

26th October 2023, 2:30 PM

23rd November 2023, 2:30 PM

14th December 2023, 2:30 PM

SEMINAR No. 1: Citizenship, Migration, and Women's Rights

Date: **October 26, 2023, 2:30 PM** (14:30 CEST)

Title of the presentation: *Migration from Ukraine as a feminist issue. Why do we need gender mainstreaming in migration policies?*

Introductory Remarks: **Costanza Nardocci**

Chair: **Aneta Ostaszewska**

Presenter: **Iuliia Lashchuk** (PhD), A Max Weber Fellow at the European University Institute (Florence, Italy)



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Abstract of the presentation:

By the end of February 2022, millions of Ukrainians had been forced to leave their homes and seek refuge in the west of the country or abroad, with many experiencing this for the second time. The scale of the migration crisis caused by Russian aggression is unprecedented in Europe, and such levels of migration have not been seen since the Second World War. Wars, conflicts, and various crises are never gender-neutral because they affect the whole of society, which is itself not gender-neutral. However, in some cases, such as the mass influx of people from Ukraine into the EU, the gender issue is crucial, as more than 80% of these people are women with children. Therefore, support measures and strategies to help people fleeing Ukraine, including the law, need to be appropriately tailored to the needs of this specific group, as migrant women, especially women fleeing war are exposed to intersectional discrimination based on their gender, ethnicity and precarious economic situation. I argue the need for gender sensitivity in migration policies by discussing the Ukrainian case and trying to place it in the broader context of migration and feminist research.

Presenter's Bio:

Iuliia Lashchuk is a researcher, migration activist, and curator. She is a Max Weber Fellow working at the Migration Policy Centre at the European University Institute in Florence. Iuliia received her PhD (Summa Cum Laude) in philosophy from the University of Warsaw in 2021. She is focusing her research on the categories of otherness and strangeness with a specific focus on gender issues and female migration. Iuliia is interested in issues of identity, belonging, and diversity, as well as ethical dimensions of hospitality. She is a member of the Research Network on Ukrainian Migration.

The Seminar will be held in presence (University of Milan, via Festa del Perdono 7) **and online** via Ms. Teams! **The registration for online participation is required!**

