

Curriculum Vitae

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Employment

2022-present **Professor of Sociology**, Department of Sociology, Essex University

2015-2022 **Senior Lecturer in Sociology (Associate Professor)**, Department of Sociology, Essex University

2013-2015 **Lecturer in Sociology (Assistant Professor)**, Department of Sociology, Essex University

2009-2013 **Post-Doctoral Research Fellow for the Leverhulme** Project "Ethno-religious Diversity and Social Trust in Residential and Educational Settings", Oxford University, Nuffield College Research Fellow

Education

2005-2009 DPhil in Sociology, University of Oxford, St. John's College. Thesis: "Ethnic Penalties, Job Search and the British Labour Market", Lamb and Flag Scholarship

2004-2005 MSc in Sociology, University of Oxford, St. John's College. Thesis: "Ethnic Inter-marriage in Britain", FCO/OSI Chevening Scholarship

2000-2004 BA in Journalism and Philology Plovdiv University, "Paissii Hilendarski", Bulgaria, graduated with honours

Journal Articles

Demireva, N. and Zwysen, W. (2021) Wellbeing in local areas: how trust, happiness, social distance and experience of discrimination differ in the perceived ethnic enclave, *European Societies*, DOI: [10.1080/14616696.2021.2006258](https://doi.org/10.1080/14616696.2021.2006258)

Demireva, N. and Zwysen, W. (2021). "Ethnic Enclaves, Economic and Political Threat: An Investigation With the European Social Survey." *Frontiers in Sociology* 6(110).

Demireva, N. (2019) "Receiving Country Investments and Acquisitions: How Migrants Negotiate the Adaptation to Their Destination", *Social Inclusion*, Volume 7, Issue 4.

Demireva, N. and Quassoli, F. (2019) "An Introduction to The Lived Experiences of Migration: Individual Strategies, Institutional Settings and Destination Effects in the European Mobility Process", *Social Inclusion*, Volume 7, Issue 4.

Demireva, N. (2019) "JewAsian: race, religion and identity for America's newest Jews." *Journal of Modern Jewish Studies* 18(3): 385-385.

Demireva, N. (2019). "Immigration Policy and the Shaping of U.S. Culture: Becoming America. By Roger White." *Migration Studies*, <https://doi.org/10.1093/migration/mnz007>

Demireva, N. and Fellini, I. (2018). An Introduction to "Returns to Human Capital and the Incorporation of Highly-Skilled Workers in the Public and Private Sector of Major Immigrant Societies", *Social Inclusion*, 6(3), 1-5.

Zwysen, W. and Demireva, N. (2018). An Examination of Ethnic Hierarchies and Returns to Human Capital in the UK. *Social Inclusion*, 6(3), 6-33.

Lo Iacono, S. and Demireva, N. (2018). Returns to Foreign and Host Country Qualifications: Evidence from the US on the Labour Market Placement of Migrants and the Second Generation. *Social Inclusion*, 6(3), 142-152.

Zwysen, W. and Demireva, N. (2018) "Ethnic and migrant penalties in job quality in the UK: the role of residential concentration and occupational clustering." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* (2018): 1-22.

Russell-Jonsson, K. and Demireva, N. (2018) "Does the ethno-religious diversity of a neighbourhood affect the perceived health of its residents?" *Social Science & Medicine* 204 (2018): 108-116.

Demireva, N. and Heath, A. (2017) Minority Embeddedness and Economic Integration: Is Diversity or Homogeneity Associated with Better Employment Outcomes? *Social Inclusion*, Volume 5, Issue 1

Demireva, N. (2014). "Ethnic Diversity and Social Cohesion: Immigration, Ethnic Fractionalization and Potentials for Civic Action Merlin Schaeffer." *European Sociological Review* 31(1): 133-136.

Demireva, N. and Heath, A. (2014) "Diversity and the Civic Spirit in British Neighbourhoods: An Investigation with MCDS and EMBES 2010 Data." *Sociology*. 48 (4): 643-663.

Heath, A. and Demireva, N. (2014) "Has multiculturalism failed in Britain?" *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 37(1): 161-180.

Demireva, N. (2011) "New Migrants in the UK: Employment Patterns and Occupational Attainment"; *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 37 (4): 637-655

Demireva, N. and Kesler, C. (2011) "The Curse of Inopportune Transitions: the Labour Market Behaviour of Immigrants and Natives in the UK", *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*, 52 (4): 306-326

Demireva, N. with Kovacheva, S. and Lewis, S. (2005) "Changing Cultures in Changing Workplaces: UK and Bulgaria Compared", *Sociological Problems*. p. 62-81

Books and Book Chapters

Thompson, P. Plummer, K. and Demireva, N. (2021) *Pioneering Social Research: Life stories of a generation*, Policy Press

Demireva, N. (2021) "On Voluntary associations and New Avenues for Research on Social Trust" pp.159-178 in *Trust Matters: Cross-Disciplinary Essays*, Raquel Barradas de Freitas and Sergio Lo Iacono (ed.), Hart Publishing, Oxford

Demireva, N. (2021) "Theoretical frameworks underlying research on the 'lived' experiences of migration" Chapter 1 pp. 21-42 in *Migration Insights*, Kovacheva, S

and Popivanov, B. (ed.) "On the road: Migration as part of the lived experience of Bulgarian immigrants in the EU", St. Kliment Ohridki University Press, Sofia

Demireva, N. and Heath, A. (2015) "Informal, Associational Bonding and Associational Bridging: Which Ties Matter Most for Minority Involvement and Integration" Chapter 8, pp 126-145 in Li, Y. (ed) *The Handbook of Research Methods and Applications on Social Capital*, Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing

Demireva, N. (2008) "Examining the differential job search methods of ethnic groups in the UK – how immigrants and minority members use their social resources and institutional settings to overcome labour market disadvantage" pp.209-241 in *'Ethnicity, Equality and Justice Beyond the Paradigms of Recognition and Redistribution'*, Karin Hallden, Elias le Grand, Zenia Hellgren (ed.); Cambridge Scholars Publishing

Working Papers

Zwysen, W. and Demireva, N. (2020). "Who benefits from host country skills? Evidence of heterogeneous labour market returns to host country skills by migrant motivation", ISER Working Paper Series:
<https://www.iser.essex.ac.uk/research/publications/working-papers/iser/2020-06>

Papers in Progress

Demireva, N. "Super volunteers and the importance of local community agricultural initiatives for social cohesion – the case of CoFarm"

Demireva, N. and Thompson, P. "Moments of conversion vs moments of discovery – the story of the Women Pioneers of Social Research"

Demireva, N. with Zwysen, W. "Why do we believe that majority members have been undercut by rising shares of migrants – an analysis of Understanding Society and BHPS"

Demireva, N. with Zwysen, W. "Labour market incorporation of migrants in Australia according to their motivations" (GEMM Project)

Demireva, N. with Lo Iacono, S. "Gambling Outlets as Agents of Local Area Disorganization: Crime and Local Institutions, the Case of the UK"

Demireva, N., with **Anthony Heath**, and **Ceri Peach** "Segregation, Ethnic Flights and Stereotyping in the Context of the British Neighbourhood"

Policy Reports

Demireva, N. (2022). Social Cohesion, Community Responses to Sustainability, Food Insecurity and Alternative Food Networks: the Case of CoFarm, <https://www.essex.ac.uk/research-projects/the-case-of-cofarm>

Demireva, N. (2018) GEMM Research in Focus/GEMM Policy Brief in Focus, available online through our website: <http://gemm2020.eu/>

Demireva, N. (2015-present) GEMM Briefs: <http://gemm2020.eu/resources-page/briefings/>

Demireva, N. (2018) "Promoting Contact Through Local Community Centres" in 'If you could do one thing...Local actions to improve social integration', Anthony Heath (ed.) *British Academy Report*
<https://www.thebritishacademy.ac.uk/publications/cohesive-societies-local-actions-promote-social-integration-essay-collection/>

Demireva, N. (2014) 'Social Cohesion in Britain: Key Facts, Challenges and Responses', pp161-179 in "Social Cohesion - Addressing Social Divides in Europe and Asia". Editors Wilhelm Hofmeister, Patrick Rueppel, Yeo Lay Hwee and Claire Dhéret, Select Books

Kesler, C. and Demireva, N. (2011) "Social Cohesion and Host Country Nationality among Immigrants in Western Europe", Chapter 8, pp.209-236 in "*Naturalisation: A Passport For The Better Integration Of Immigrants?*", OECD Publications

Demireva, N. (2009) "Ethnicity and Social Organisation: Changes and Challenges", Report for Beyond Current Horizons; Futurelab Initiative of the Department for Children, Schools and Families

Demireva, N. (2009) "Equalsoc Reports: Ethnic Minority Representation in the Public Sectors of the UK, France, Germany, Sweden and the US", Equalsoc Reports

Demireva, N. (2008) "The Labour Market Performance of Ethnic Minority Populations", Equalsoc Reports

Media and Outreach Stories

Demireva, N. (2022) The Women Pioneers of Social research, IWD 2022 UK Data Service Podcast Series: <https://ukdataservice.ac.uk/2022/03/08/femalepioneers/>

Demireva, N. Thompson, P. and Plummer, K. (2021) Pioneering Social Research British Sociological Association Everyday Blog, <https://es.britsoc.co.uk/pioneering-social-research/>

Demireva, N. (2019) "Immigration, Diversity and Social Cohesion", Briefing for Migration Observatory at Oxford University, <https://migrationobservatory.ox.ac.uk/resources/briefings/immigration-diversity-and-social-cohesion/>

Demireva, N. (2019) "Equality for immigrant job seekers: How this would benefit us all", CORDIS, <https://cordis.europa.eu/article/id/415470-equality-for-immigrant-job-seekers-how-this-would-benefit-us-all>

Demireva, N. (2018). "When Communities are under stress, more research is the panacea", BSA News <https://www.britsoc.co.uk/about/latest-news/2018/may/when-communities-are-under-stress-more-research-is-the-panacea/>

Demireva, N. (2014) "Immigration Demons and Academic Evidence", *LSE Politics and Policy Blog*. <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/politicsandpolicy/immigration-demons-and-academic-evidence/>

Demireva, N. (2014) "Diversity a positive factor in cementing integration" in *Eastern Eye* (the biggest minority newspaper in the UK), 28th of February.

Demireva, N. (2014) "Can Diversity be a positive influence in encouraging integration?" in *Society Central*, 27th of February

Demireva, N. (2014) The Independent featuring the article with Anthony Heath in Sociology: <http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/living-in-mixed-communities-makes-people-feel-british-9100347.html>

Demireva, N. (2014) "Ethnic Politics, Diversity and the Civic Spirit", in *Ethnic Politics*

Demireva, N. (2005) "Are working parents rare or how bank employees manage family life and work in the UK and Bulgaria?" *PU Academic bulletin*, (6): p.351-352

Datasets

Kovacheva, S., Demireva, N. (2018). *The lived experiences of migration 1996-2017*. [data collection]. UK Data Service. SN: 853333, [DOI: 10.5255/UKDA-SN-853333](https://doi.org/10.5255/UKDA-SN-853333)

Grants

2023: Identifying the economic and social impacts of migration in Britain, Leverhulme Research Fellowship, PI (£59 000)

2022. Co-Created Communities for Environmental Solutions, Natural Environment Research Council (NERC), Co-I (£54, 745)

2019 Impact Acceleration Account Essex University The impact of a community farm on community social cohesion: the case of CoFarm, PI (£9 786)

2019-2024 The Research Centre on Micro-Social Change, Researcher (£7,796,71)

2018 Impact Acceleration Account Essex University GEMM Policy Meeting in Paris, PI (£12 809)

2015-2018 GEMM project (Growth, Equal Opportunities, Migration and Markets funded by the Horizon 2020 programme of the European Commission, EURO-2-2014: The European growth agenda Research and Innovation action 4: Migration, prosperity and growth, Grant agreement No 649255). This project addresses the challenges and barriers that European countries face in managing the mobility of persons to realize competitiveness and growth, Coordinator and PI (2 498 510€)

2014-2016 British Academy/Leverhulme Small Research Grant: Understanding the Ecology of Disadvantage: Betting Agents, Crime and the British Neighbourhood, PI (£7,119)

2014-2015 Essex Experimental Lab Fund: The Veil and Public Spaces, PI (£1,500)

2014 Executive Dean Fund, Essex University, Multiculturalism as Innovation; PI (£9,500)

2013-2014 John Fell OUP Research Fund, Experiments on Multiculturalism, PI, (£7,300)

2010-2012 British Academy Small Research Grant, Ethno-religious Diversity and Trust, PI, (£2,500)

2014-2015 ESRC Festival of Social Sciences: 'The Rise of Betting Shops' towards the organization of talks and outreach events in Colchester and Clacton. 06.11.2014 (Firstsite Colchester talk); 07.11.2014 (public engagement Culver square); 08.11.2014 (Clacton Town Hall talk). These events were attended by local councillors, industry and members of the general public. I also gave interviews for BBC Essex and independent outlets. (£1250)

2011 British Academy Conference Grant – to support the attendance of the 2011 16th Annual American Sociological Association Meeting "Social Conflict, Multiple Dimensions and Arenas" (£500)

2010 Oxford Learning Institute Professional Development Grant used for the attending of the Essex Summer School in Social Methodology: Multi-level Analysis, and MPlus: advanced growth modeling at IDEC–Universitat Pompeu Fabra (£2500)

Visiting Fellowships and Scholarships

3rd March – 1st of April 2018 Visiting Fellow at the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, working with Dr. Andrea Canales.

10th of January-8th of February 2018. Visiting Fellow at the Melbourne Institute for Applied Economic and Social Research working on Hilda data

Michaelmas Term, 2017 Visiting Fellow Nuffield College Oxford

2005-2009 Lamb and Flag Scholarship, St. John's College, University of Oxford towards D.Phil. in Sociology

2005-2006 University of Oxford, Department of Sociology Bursary

2004-2005 FCO/OSI Chevening Scholarship towards M.Sc. in Sociology, held at St. John's College, University of Oxford

PhD Supervision

Kristyna Tan Greplova, commenced October 2021

Nicolae Radulescu, commenced October 2020

Engin Sonmez, commenced Spring 2019

Kenisha Russell-Johnson, completed 2017, currently Statistical Analyst, the Public Health Agency of Sweden.

Sergio Lo Iacono, completed 2017, currently Post-doctoral research fellow at UMEA University, completed the Max Weber post-doctoral fellowship at the European University Institute

Teaching Experience

2013-present Senior Lecturer in Sociology (Associate Professor), Undergraduate Courses: Race, Ethnicity and Migration, Researching Social Life I and II, Sociological Imagination Supervising MA and PhD students

2009-2013 Supervisor for MSc in Sociology students in the Department of Sociology, Oxford University; Internal (Sociology, Oxford) and External Examiner (Social Policy, Oxford) of DPhil students

Hilary Term, 2013 & 2011 Course Provider of the MSc in Sociology Course "Ethnicity, Migration and Nationalism" at the Department of Sociology, Oxford University

2010-present Course Provider in Research Methods with Stata, Oxford University IT Services. Courses taught: *Introduction to Stata*, *Stata Intermediate Data Manipulation and Analysis*, and *Stata: Survey Analysis*.

September, 2012, 2011 Tutor for student finalists of the 'Teach First' Initiative for students and teachers in challenging circumstances

January-June 2007 Teaching assistant. Department of International Relations, Politics and Sociology, Oxford-Brookes University. Course: "Education, Work and Employment"

Professional Affiliations

2020- present Associate Editor Migration Studies

2013-present Member of the British Sociological Association

2022-present Member of the European Society of Criminology

2015-present Fellow of the Higher Education Academy

2015-present Member of the Research Committee on Social Stratification 28

2018-present a *Reviewer* for the European Research Council (ERC) Starting, Consolidator and Advance Grant Competition; for the Migration Policy Research Division of the International Organization for Migration at the United Nations; for the Global Challenges Research Fund of the British Academy; the Knowledge Frontiers: International Interdisciplinary Research projects of the British Academy; ESRC Secondary Data initiative

2009-present Reviewer for The American Journal of Sociology; The Annual Review of Sociology; Ethnic and Racial Studies; Sociological Compass; International Journal of Comparative Sociology; Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies; Advances in Life Course Research, Journal of Marriage and the Family, Social Forces.

Organization of Conferences and Seminars

2022, 18th of March. Sustainability and Environment week, Department of Sociology, University of Essex. Joined by award- winning artist Woo Jin Joo for clothes mending session; throughout the day Cupcake for a Cause sale, all proceeds go to the Colchester Food Bank. We discuss how to use allotments and create green food hubs on campus to tackle food insecurity.

2021, 3rd of September. Online Symposium on the Pioneering Social Research Book – more than 60 participants.

2018, 26-27th of October. Final GEMM Conference in Paris, attended by policy makers from OECD, the Directorate General for Economy, Employment and Research, DG Research& Innovation, the European Network Against Racism, the Challenge, the UK Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government.

2017, 1st of December. Workshop to discuss A Special Issue in Social Inclusion: The Race for Highly-Skilled Workers: Returns to Human Capital and the Incorporation of Highly Skilled Workers in the Public and Private Sector of Major Immigrant Societies, Guest Editors: Neli Demireva, University of Essex and Ivana Fellini, University of Milano Bicocca

13th of March 2017 GEMM first Roundtable "Understanding Labour Market Integration" took place on the 13th of March, 2017 from 10:30am – 12.00pm at the Church House, London – Convocation suite, with representation from the Runnymede Trust, Department for Communities and Local Government, The Race for Opportunity, Business in the Community, the Race disparity Unit of the Cabinet Office, Reminder.

2nd/3rd of October, 2015, Oxford, UK and 3rd/4th of October, 2016, Plovdiv, Bulgaria. GEMM Opening (40 participants) and Mid-term Conference (40 participants)

2012 & 2013 Annual Seminar to mark Women's day at Nuffield College, Oxford (50 participants)

2011 Conference to mark the Centenary of International Women's Day, Nuffield College, Oxford (100 Participants)

2009 "Assessing the Affirmative Action Programme in Northern Ireland", end of Nuffield Foundation study, *Queen's University, Belfast* (150 participant)

Language Skills and Other Competences

Bulgarian (mother tongue); English (excellent); German (good) Stata, SPSS, Excel, Endnote

Outreach Events and International Recognition

19th of October 2021. *Invited to open the Diversity and Social Cohesion Session of the Intergovernmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum and Refugees*", an inter-governmental information exchange and policy debate and the first inter-state consultation mechanism on migration. It brings together the participating states, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the International Organization for Migration (IOM), the European Commission. Currently chaired by the UK.

2021, 14th of May. ESRC Research Centre for Micro-Social Change workshop for charities and community groups on measuring cohesion. Participating organizations: *Age UK; Help Musicians; NUH charity; University of Leeds; Caritas Sofia Migration and Integration Department; Volunteer Centre Sutton; Healthwatch Essex; O'Keeffe Social Research; Abbey People, IIT Kharagpur; University of Nottingham; Halstead 21st Century Group; Consumer Council for Water (CCW); Hungarian Irish Theatre.*

<https://www.iser.essex.ac.uk/2021/12/02/helping-charities-and-community-groups-assess-how-they-can-make-a-difference>

24th of November 2020. Invited Speaker. "Immigration, Brexit and COVID-19: the future of multicultural Britain", YUFE Academy Lecture

17th of June 2020. Invited Speaker. "How has Covid-19 redrawn the migration landscape of the UK", AGORA debate

8th of October 2019. Invited Speaker. "Labour market integration of migrants – challenges for the local level", EU Regions week 2019 organized by the European Commission and the European Parliament, Brussels.

6th of December 2018. Invited Speaker. "Are Majority members undercut by migrants. What is the evidence for being left behind? Case study: UK", "The Returns of Human capital of migrant groups differentiated by motivation" Research to policy session, Brussels, DG RTD and Research Executive Agency, 16 Place Rogier, 1210 Brussels, Meeting room: COV2 Room 17-SDR1

20th of November, Invited Speaker by Mr. Paulo Rangel MEP Vice Chairman of the EPP group at the European Parliament: European Ideas Network Seminar on: "In-migration, out-migration: the last 25 years in Central Europe"

10th of July 2017. Invited presentation, DG RTD Technical Meeting on Migration Governance, European Commission Migrants' insertion in local labour markets, DG Research & Innovation Champ de Mars 21, 1050, Brussels

20th of February 2018. Presentation, Brussels, DG RTD and REA working session, Labour migration: enabling factors and key determinants: Educational credential and training programmes, Place Rogier 16 - 1210 Sa Saint-Josse Belgium

April, 17-18, 2018. Invited Speaker. Global Empowerment Meeting, Harvard Kennedy School/Centre for International Development: E PLURIBUS UNUM: How to overcome the tension between diversity and social cohesion to make the most of 'Us' <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PfnnWQdzYZk&list=PLVJQsjaKb-4QxNITS1ZFbGNGngROt93LW&index=8>

October, 2014. TedX talk, Lakeside theatre – "Multiculturalism: Dead or Alive": <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cusOg1CaO48>

November, 2014. A series of public talks and outreach events on "Betting shops and local communities", Colchester, Clacton Town Hall as part of the ESRC Festival of Social Sciences. 06.11.2014 (Firstsite Colchester talk); 07.11.2014 (public engagement Culver

square); 08.11.2014 (Clacton Town Hall talk). These events were attended by local councillors, industry and members of the general public. I also gave interviews for BBC Essex and independent outlets.

Selected Recent Paper Presentations

21-23 of April, "Gambling Outlets as Agents of Local Area Disorganization: Crime and Local Institutions, the Case of the UK", RC28 LSE London

18th of March, 2022. "Alternative, food networks, community gardens, cofarming and their importance for social cohesion", Environment week, Department of Sociology, Essex University

02nd of November, 2021. "Co-farming communities – the importance of community farming for social cohesion and tackling food poverty", COP26 week, Essex University

26th of October, 2021. "Ethnic enclaves and the economic, social and political impact on their residents - an investigation with ESS data", Trinity College Dublin Sociology Department Presentation.

19th of October 2021. *Invited to open the Diversity and Social Cohesion Session of the Intergovernmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum and Refugees*", an inter-governmental information exchange and policy debate and the first inter-state consultation mechanism on migration. It brings together the participating states, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the International Organization for Migration (IOM), the European Commission. Currently chaired by the UK.

23rd of February, 2021. "Understanding the Ecology of Disadvantage: betting Agents, Crime and the British Neighbourhood", IV ISA Forum of Sociology

23rd of February, 2021. "Ethnicity, Stereotypes and Segregation in the British Neighbourhood", IV ISA Forum of Sociology

24th of November 2020. *Invited Speaker*. "Immigration, Brexit and COVID-19: the future of multicultural Britain", YUFE Academy Lecture

02th of July, 2020. "The underutilization of the human capital of vulnerable migrant groups", 17th Annual IMISCOE Conference – Online

17th of June, 2020. "How has Covid-19 redrawn the migration landscape of the UK?" Agora debate

04th of March, 2019. Invited Speaker. "Undercutting: share of migrants and employment prospects of white British and ethnic minorities", Oxford University Sociology Monday Research Seminar

25th of January, 2019. Invited Speaker. "Ethnic niches, political representation, and political behaviour", Centre for Ideology and Discourse Analysis, Essex University

15- 21st of July, 2018. "The Truth about Undercutting: migration and its Long-term Impact upon labour market outcomes of white British and minority workers", XIX ISA World Congress of Sociology, Toronto

2-4th of July 2018. "Minority Embeddedness and Economic Integration: Does ethnic diversity undermine the employment prospects of majority members and weaken the mainstream attachment of first and second generation minority members?" IMISCOE Annual Conference 2018

2-4th of July 2018. Chair and Discussant of Session "The Race for Highly-Skilled Workers: Returns to Human Capital and the Incorporation of Highly Skilled Migrants" IMISCOE Annual Conference 2018

23-25th of June, 2018. Chair and Session Organizer. "The Race for Highly-Skilled Workers: Returns to Human Capital and the Incorporation of Highly Skilled Migrants, A Social Inclusion Special Issue", 30th SASE Annual Meeting, Global Reordering: prospects for equality, democracy and justice, Kyoto, Japan, Doshisha University

25-27th of May, 2018. "Minority Embeddedness and Economic Integration: Does ethnic diversity undermine the employment prospects of majority members and weaken the mainstream attachment of first and second generation minority members?" 2nd "Who benefits from host country investments? Evidence of heterogeneous labour market returns to host country investments by migrant motivation". RC28 Meeting, Seoul

6-13th of May, 2018. Invited Speaker. Economic Protectionism as a New Form of Nationalism in Immigration Societies, Divided Societies XXI: Old and New Nationalisms, Inter-University Centre Dubrovnik

27th of March, 2018. Invited Speaker, "Who benefits from host country investments? Evidence of heterogeneous labour market returns to host country investments by migrant motivation", Coloquio 2018, Instituto de Sociología UC, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Chile

23rd of November 2017. Invited presentation, Oxford, Compas, with Wouter Zwysen: "Who benefits from host country investments? Evidence of heterogeneous labour market returns to host country investments by migrant motivation"

8th of November 2017. Invited presentation, Oxford, Nuffield College Sociology Seminar, Clay room, "Communities Under Stress: the impact of migration and the individual and contextual factors associated with economic integration"

28th -29th September 2017. University of Amsterdam, Department of Sociology Amsterdam Centre for Inequality Studies (AMCIS) Ethnic inequality in the labour market: Cross-national perspectives and causal analysis, with Wouter Zwysen: "*Does the ethnic composition of a local area affect the labour market outcomes of the majority, migrants and minorities in Europe*"

12th -15th of August, 2017. ASA Annual Meeting Montreal, "Cultural barriers to the successful integration of minorities in Britain"

7th -10th of August, 2017. RC28 New York, "The Labour Market Incorporation of Migrant Women: A cross-nationally comparative analysis based on the European Social Values Survey"

10th of July 2017. Invited presentation, DG RTD Technical Meeting on Migration Governance, European Commission Migrants' insertion in local labour markets, DG Research & Innovation Champ de Mars 21, 1050, Brussels

19th -22nd of August, 2016. ASA Annual Meeting, Seattle. Types and context of minority bonding and bridging and the role of networks in the integration process

27th of May, 2016. RC28 Singapore. The role of associational bonding and associational bridging in facilitating minority involvement and Integration (with Ananthi Al Ramiah)

18th of May, 2016. *Invited Presentation.* "Ties that bind and ties that don't – an examination of the role of social ties, neighbourhood embeddedness and social cohesion outcomes". CREST, Centre de Recherche en Economie et Statistique, Paris

May, 2015. Invited presentation "Barriers to the Successful Civic Integration of Migrants and Minorities in Britain", London. Institute of Education

May, 2015. Invited presentation "Civic Integration of Migrants and Minorities in Britain – the importance of generational status", the Cathie Marsh Institute for Social Research (CMIST) at the University of Manchester