

What is GEMMA?



GEMMA is a dissemination project that will contribute to strengthen the dialogue between the different stakeholders in the field of Gender and Migration. This initiative is funded by the European Commission under the Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities theme.

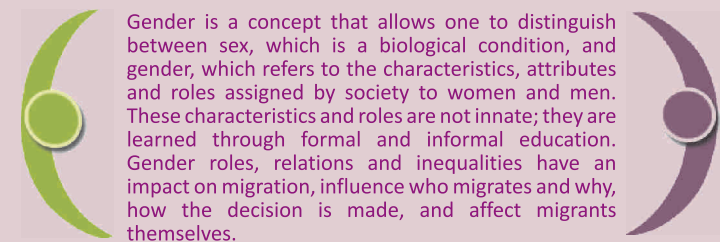


The GEMMA participants come from 5 organisations representing 5 different European countries: Austria, France, Hungary, Italy and the United Kingdom.

Our contribution:

- Valorisation and dissemination of EU-funded research projects in the field of Gender and Migration to Policy-makers and Civil Society Organizations in the five member states and languages of the GEMMA project.
- Opportunities of dialogue through targeted workshops aimed at strengthening communication and networking between Researchers, Policy-makers and Civil Society.
- Recommendations at the national level to enhance interaction and collaboration between the different actors in the field of Gender and Migration.

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Who can benefit?

Policy makers
Researchers
Civil society Organization
Media

Look inside!

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The "École des hautes études en sciences sociales" (EHESS) is a graduate school for social sciences and part of the privileged "grand établissements". The EHESS works under tutelage of the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Research.

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The Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI) is an independent scientific institution. The ZSI applies socio-scientific research, education, advisory and networking services to reduce the gap between social needs and potentials of the knowledge based information society.

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POLICY MAKERS

RESEARCHERS

CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS

MEDIA

Enhancing policy through European Research in Gender & Migration



Project funded under the Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities theme

Why link Gender and Migration?

Migration is one of the most important issues on a global level and is inextricably linked with Gender.

3% of the world's population live outside their place of birth.

1 out of **35** people in the world is a migrant.

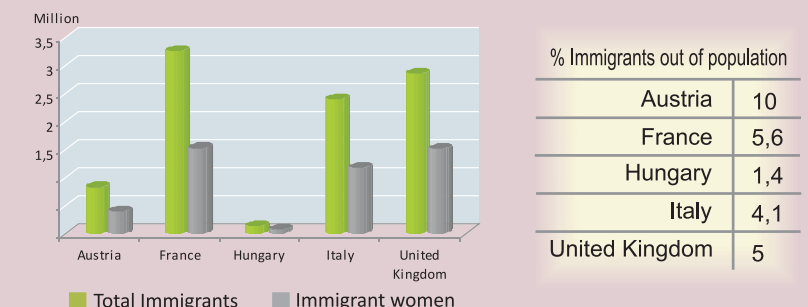
Half of these migrants in the world are women and **52%** of internal migrants in Europe are women.

There are often contradictory or inaccurate discourses about female migration:

- **Are policy makers really aware of the actual situation ?**
- **Are the media providing an accurate image of female migrants?**

There are hundreds of research projects and policy reviews, dealing with Gender and Migration but:

- **Do researchers give enough visibility to this evidence?**



% Immigrants out of population

Austria	10
France	5,6
Hungary	1,4
Italy	4,1
United Kingdom	5

"Net Migration in the GEMMA countries – updated to 2004"
Source: Dossier Statistico Immigrazione Caritas/Migrantes 2006





Who can benefit?

POLICY- MAKERS

Granting well-being to all citizens is a prerequisite of social cohesion and consensus.

The citizens' well-being, the social inclusion of immigrants and, in particular, of immigrant women, can only be achieved through adequate social policies which take into account their needs.

Can policy-makers benefit from research?

Yes, policy-makers can benefit from research findings.

A considerable number of research studies about Gender & Migration are stored in the depths of library databases and journals. Such studies are important for policy-making, but they are not sufficiently used. This is due to:

- lack of dialogue
- too much academic language
- difficulty of access to such documents

How can this be achieved?

With the support of the European Commission, the GEMMA initiative, will provide:

- dialogue workshops to link policy makers and researchers;
- a dynamic forum to exchange opinions;
- synthesised, policy-oriented research documents;
- accessible information on the GEMMA website.

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RESEARCHERS

Policy oriented research can have a significant impact on social well-being.

Researchers have produced a lot of highly policy-relevant knowledge on Gender and Migration. Despite the value of this research the knowledge that is produced is not put into practice.

Can researchers benefit from contact with policy-makers?

Policy makers can and do use this knowledge gained through research to assess current policies and shape future ones which is a sign for the high recognition for the researchers' work. However this process is impeded by several factors:

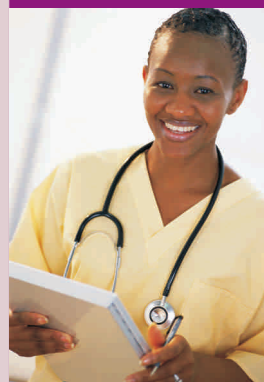
- low visibility of research
- little contact between researchers and policy makers
- researchers and policy-makers speak different "languages".

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CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS

Involving Civil Society Organizations means involving citizens.

A growing number of Civil Society Organizations are encouraging and facilitating the integration of migrants into European societies with a special focus on women migrants.

What is the added value of the involvement of CSOs?

As CSOs act directly on the ground, they possess considerable knowledge about the situation of female migrants and their needs.

Their participation in GEMMA will contribute to:

- support policy makers in shaping evidence-based policies;
- the development of more policy-oriented research;

through

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MEDIA

The portrayal of female migration by the mass media can have a considerable influence on policy development.

How could the media benefit from GEMMA? And what role can they play?

The media can give more visibility to research activities both at the European and the national level. They should therefore have easier access to updated information resulting from research projects about Gender and Migration.

The media play an important role in shaping public opinion. They need to get more involved in scientific and political debates between researchers, policy-makers and CSOs and bring the results to the public arena, thus stimulating debate and discussion on Gender and Migration.

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