



Migration and integration in Southeast Europe and East Asia International Workshop

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This workshop aims to discuss the historical and contemporary perspectives of diverse migration movements in two specific macro-regions in the world, East Asia (EA) and Southeastern Europe (SEE). It aims to compare diverse forms of inclusion policies and programs and their implementation in EA and SEE, specifically at the local level. Although different in many regards, from the aspect of population movements, the two regions share some important commonalities. In many states of both regions there has been a general shift from emigration to immigration as a consequence of a population decline on the one hand and a growing demand for labour on the other. However, the countries in SEE also attest that migration processes are always dynamic and that a serious economic or security crisis may again reverse these patterns (e.g. return migration) or even cause new movements (e. g. refugees). Also, due to the importance of migration in the future, both regions are starting to tackle the management of migration as well as inclusion of migrants with growing levels of importance. The core aim of this workshop is to therefore discuss different forms of migration and inclusion processes in both regions and gain a better insight of historical contexts shaping these modes of inclusion. Instead of merely discussing normative frameworks, the researchers will also address how these frameworks play out in practice and at the local level.



Program

Thursday, 8.11.2018

- 9.00 – 9.30 Registration
- 9.30 – 10.00 Introduction to the workshop and the bilateral program of cooperation between ZRC SAZU and Osaka University (Nataša Gregoriš Bon, Martina Bofulin)
- 10.00 – 10.30 Short overview of migration processes in Japan (Gyo Miyahara, Kawamura Michiya)
- 10.30 – 11.00 Short overview of migration processes in Slovenia and wider SEE region
Migration trends in SE Europe (Jure Gombač)
Integration of refugees on a local level: Case of Slovenia (Asja Pehar Senekovič)
- 11.00 – 12.30 Discussion by members of bilateral program and invited guests
- 12.30 – 13.00 Obento (box lunch) at the premises¹
- 13.30 – 15.00 Bringing migration to the educational process: workshop with junior researchers (Hara Megumi)

Friday, 9.11.2018

- 8.00 – 20.00 Excursion to Western Slovenia

¹ If you would like to have a box lunch please inform us at the registration desk. The cost is 10 EUR.