

May 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026 in Cologne (Germany)

# Social Citizenship on the Move

*Arenas, Actors and Practices of Social Rights within and beyond the State*

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**Venue:** Technische Hochschule Köln, Institute for Migration and Diversity  
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**Thursday 21.05.2026 (room 115)**

13.00	Arrival / Check-in
13.30	Matthias Otten (Köln) & Oleksandra Tarkahnova (St Gallen) & Catharina Peeck-Ho (Hannover) <b>Welcome by the DGS section speakers</b> Introduction
14.00	<b>Helge Schwiertz (Hamburg, Germany):</b> <b>Keynote 1: Horizontal Citizenship:</b> A Revision of Political Subjectivity Based on Urban Social Movements
15.00	Break
15.30	<b>Panel 1: Solidarity practices beyond the state</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Oluwasinmisade Akin-Aina (Bielefeld, Germany):</b> Dissent, Dissonance, and Dis-Identification: the Acts of Citizenship and Political Claimsmaking of Burundian Refugees in Transnational Social Spaces</li><li>• <b>Tinashe Chimbidzikai (Leiden, NL/Göttingen, Germany):</b> Doing Citizenship from the Pulpit: Pentecostal Churches as New Arenas for Social Citizenship and Care Economies in Migrant South Africa</li><li>• <b>Hanna Zaremba-Kosovych (NAS, Ukraine):</b> Negotiating Social Citizenship through Care and Services: Internally Displaced People with Intellectual Disabilities in Wartime Ukraine</li></ul>
17.00	Short break
17.15	<b>Panel 2: Activism and the state</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Anke Freuwört (xxx, Germany):</b> Acts Without Votes: Migrant Advisory Councils and the Democratic Deficit</li><li>• <b>Lisa Meyer (Hannover, Germany):</b> Social Citizenship in Latin American Cities of Solidarity</li><li>• <b>Lea Volmari (Köln, Germany):</b> Practices of Governance from Below: Refugee-Led Disability Organizations</li><li>• <b>Oleksandra Tarkhanova (St. Gallen, Switzerland):</b> School as an arena for citizenship reconfigurations in wartime Ukraine</li></ul>
19.00	<b>Presentation of the German Migration Museum Initiative DOMID/Selma &amp; Dinner Buffet at TH Köln</b>

**Friday 22.05.2026 (room 115)**

08.45	Intro 2nd day
09.00	<b>Tetyana Lokot (Dublin, Ireland)</b> <b>Keynote 2: Networked Citizenship in Flux: Identity, Belonging and Participatory Knowledge Production in Translocal Digital Spaces</b>
10.00	<b>Panel 3: Negotiating social rights in institutional sub-settings</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Nora Ratzmann (Berlin, Germany):</b> Integrating while on the Move? Subjective Experiences of Ukrainian Protection-Holders with Local Jobcentres in Germany</li><li>• <b>Olena Stelnyk (NAS, Ukraine):</b> "Well, there's what we call the 'human factor'": IDP offices as an arena of state-citizen micro-interaction</li><li>• <b>Christina Biel (Berlin, Germany):</b> Negotiating the social right to education within refugee camps</li><li>• <b>Ángeles Escrivá (Huelva, Spain):</b> Migrant Farmworkers in a European Sacrifice Zone: Rights, Access, and Everyday Negotiations in Huelva Spain</li></ul>
11.30	Break
12.00	<b>Panel 4: Margins and boundaries of belonging</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Lidia Kuzemska (NAS, Ukraine):</b> 'Pension tourism' of IDPs in Ukraine: designing 'deservingness' for state help during the first wave of displacement (2014-2021))</li><li>• <b>Atefeh Ramsari (Bielefeld, Germany):</b> Boundaries of Belonging: Social Rights Negotiation in Sub-state Systems</li><li>• <b>Rebecca Enobong Roberts (Berlin, Germany):</b> Displacement Urbanisation and the Faith Politics of Social Cohesion and Citizenship in Lagos, Nigeria</li><li>• <b>Stella Rüger &amp; Cornelius Lätzsch (Leipzig/Köln, Germany):</b> Uncertain prospects: Reflections on social citizenship, vulnerability and asylum policy before and during the CEAS</li></ul>
13.30	<b>Wrap-Up / Outlook</b>
14.00	End of the Conference

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