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International scientific conference:
**CHAINS OF MIGRATION:
MIGRATION AND IDENTITY IN THE POSTYUGOSLAV
COUNTRIES**

Dates: 25.3. - 26.3. 2011, Ljubljana

Location: Faculty for Social Work, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

The conference is organized as the final output of an international research and networking project: Challenging Identity Normativity, funded by the Austrian Science and Research Liaison Office Ljubljana (ASO), coordinated by the Faculty for Social Work at the University of Ljubljana. The chair of the project is Ana. M. Sobočan in cooperation with Darja Zaviršek and Jelena Petrović.

The conference will bring together researchers and academics from cooperating institutions from Austria, Macedonia, Kosovo and Slovenia, as well as invited academics from the international arena. Invited keynote speakers are: Prof. Lena Dominelli (Durham University), Prof. Birgit Rommelspacher (Alice Salomon University), Prof. Darja Zaviršek (Univ. of Ljubljana), as.Prof. Marina Lukšič Hacin (Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts), Prof. Katerina Kolozova (Euro Balkan Institute) and more.

This international, inter-institutional, interdisciplinary (anthropological, sociological, social work) approaches will attempt to reach various audiences and reach high scientific as well as applicative (educational) impact.

The main goal of the conference is to raise some pertinent questions in social sciences and humanities on the topic of migration and identities. 'Chains of migrations' articulates the multilayered social-political-economic reasons and effects of migration paths in/from the Balkans, especially: the continuity of migrations, serial migration, politics of monitoring

migration, forced and undocumented migration etc. The papers at the conference would in part attempt to answer: how do chains of migration affect identity formation; what are the key markers of migration identities and how do they change, how do (returning) migrants influence social and economic changes, how does gender function in migration patterns, how to develop affirmative migration identities, empowerment policies and inclusion, etc. In relation to the recent research on identity politics in the region and the fact that we live in times of identities and of migrations, we would like to discuss the policies/politics of belonging, especially the frame of the complex 'migrant-subject'.

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You are cordially invited to participate!

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