



Conceptualising brokerage: Mediating diversity, migration and development

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Dates: February 17 - 18, 2017

Day 1

Location: Institut d'Estudis Catalans
Carrer del Carme, 47, 08001, Barcelona

9:00-10:00: Welcome and Introduction

Welcome and Opening Talk: Sr. Enric Vendrell i Aubach, Director, Catalan Directorate General of Religious Affairs

Introduction: Sara de Jong & Avi Astor

10:00-11:30: Session 1 – Conceptualising Brokerage

Ipek Demir (University of Leicester) – “Brokers’ Job as Foreignizer and Domesticator”

Sara de Jong (Open University) – “Breaking Down Brokerage”

Daphne Muntanyola (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona) – “Religious Mediators as Brokers”

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Karim Murji (Open University) – “Cultural Brokerage in the Arts”

11:30-12:00: Coffee Break

12:00-13:30: Session 2 – Negotiating and Mediating Religious Boundaries

Lisa Pilgram (Open University) – “British-Muslim Solicitors as Brokers between Culture, English and Muslim law?”

Avi Astor and Miquel Fernández (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona) – “Religious Diversity and Cultural Brokerage in Catalonia”

Antonio Montañes (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona) – “Gitano Religious Leaders and Local Authorities”

13:30 – 15:00: Lunch Break

15:00-16:30: Session 3 – Knowledge, Expertise, and Mobility

Anna Tuckett (London School of Economics) – “Ethical Brokerage and Self-fashioning in Italian Immigration Bureaucracy”

Alexandra Heis und Alev Cakir (Universität Wien) – “Migrant Brokers in Business and Politics”

Mar Griera (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona) – “Illustrating Religion”

Evening Dinner with all Workshop Participants

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Day 2

Location: Ateneu Barcelonès
Carrer de la Canuda, 6, 08002 Barcelona

9:30-11:00: Session 4 – Transnational Brokerage

Eduardo Romanos (Complutense University of Madrid) – “Immigrants as Brokers”

Selenia Marabello (Università di Bologna) – “Ghanaian migrants to Italy as Development Brokers”

Petra Dannecker (Universität Wien) – “Discussion on Development and Brokerage”

11:00-11:30: Coffee Break

11:30-13:00: Session 5 – Brokerage and the Politics of Islam in Europe

Luis Manuel Hernandez Aguilar (Goethe-University) – “State-sponsored Muslim Brokers”

Elena Arigita (Universidad de Granada) – “Muslim Leadership, Representation and the Politics of Islam in Spain”

Konrad Pedziwiatr (Krakow University) – “The Catholic Church in Poland a Cultural and Religious Broker and Non-broker in the midst of the European Refugee Crisis”

13:00-14:30: Lunch Break

14:30- 16:30: Wrap up and Closing Discussion

Avi Astor & Sara de Jong

- 1) Discussion on Emerging Themes and Interests in Relation to Brokerage
- 2) Discussion on Avenues for Continuing Collaboration

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