

# Q-helix International Conference

19-20 March, 2026



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## CHALLENGING MIGRATION: security, mobility, labour market, integration, human rights



The aim of the conference is to initiate interdisciplinary discussion on migration as a global challenge for Europe in the twenty-first century. Perceived as a threat to destination and transit countries, migration is discussed as a problem to solve or a danger to stop. But as migration has become a key challenge for European countries, there is a need to propose new, sustainable solutions for migration management that respect not only security, but also human rights, integration and the needs of labour markets in destination countries.



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# CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

## LINK FOR REGISTRATION

19 March, 2026

WSB University, Dabrowa Gornicza, Poland  
Cieplaka 1c street  
Auditorium D, ground floor

09:00 - 11:00

### Registration

Attendee check-in, badge distribution, and welcome coffee.

11:00 - 11:30

### Welcoming ceremony

Łukasz Sutkowski, WSB University, President of Business School

11:30 - 12:00

### Q-helix alliance presentation

Paulina Polko

12:00 - 12:30

### Unwelcome and Unprotected: Refugee Integration and the Reconfiguration of the Right to Asylum

Michelle Pace, Incoming Visiting Fellow, Refugee Studies Centre, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

12:30 - 13:00

### Securitising Migration in Greece and Poland: A Comparative Overview through the Lens of Political Culture

Georgia Dimari, University of Crete, Greece

13:00 - 13:30

### Managing Migration, Integration and Return: Lessons Learned from Turkish Experience

Nurcan Özgür Baklacioğlu, Istanbul University

13:30 - 14:30

### Lunch break



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14.30- 16.00 – First plenary session: Migration–security nexus

14:30 - 14:45

**Sustainable approach to migration–security nexus: migration as a threat, migration as a referent object under threat, migration as a security resource**

Paulina Polko, WSB University

14:45 - 15:00

**Climate in Motion. Climate Migrations in South Asia: Adaptation and Compulsion**

Blanka Dżugaj, Instytut badań nad Turcją

15:00 - 15:15

**ONLINE: From Al-Hol to Europe: Empirical Insights from North-East Syria and the Security–Human Rights Dilemma of Repatriation**

Magdalena El-Ghamari, University College of Professional Education

15:15 - 15:30

**Migration and human trafficking: Underlying psychological mechanisms**

Laura Dryjanska, Asbury University

15:30 - 15:45

**Migration at the junction of cognitive warfare and the Mental Security (Infrastructure)**

Piotr Gil, WSB University

15:45 - 16:00

**ONLINE: The Impact of Migration from Africa on Poland's Internal Security: Conditions, Challenges, and Implications**

Karol Kujawa, Academic Centre for Strategic Analysis

16:00-16:15

**Discussion**



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**16.15-17.30 Second plenary session: migration and labour market**

**16:15 - 16:30**

**Features of forced migration of youth as a new type of educational loss**

Liudmyla Hanushchak-Yefimenko, Svitlana Arabuli; Kyiv National University of Technologies and Design

**16:30 - 16:45**

**Enhancement of the state's economic safety with the involvement of foreigners**

Kalina Lubas, Metropolitan University

**16:45 - 17:00**

**Forced migration in wartime: consequences for the labour market**

Svitlana Bebko, Olena Evseitseva; Kyiv National University of Technologies and Design

**17:00 - 17:15**

**ONLINE: Skills pipelines amid war-driven internal displacement and cross-border migration: university–industry capability partnerships for value-added apparel manufacturing**

Ivan Skorokhodov, Kyiv National University of Technologies and Design

**17:15 - 17:30**

**Discussion**

**18:00 - 19:00**

**Dinner**



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**9.30 – 11.30 Third plenary session: Human rights, integration and cultural dialogue**

**09:30 - 09:45**

**Dilemmas of implementing support training for young war refugees from Ukraine**

Artur Fabiś, Maciej Witkowski; WSB Univeristy

**09:45 - 10:00**

**IMMERSED: innovative citizen-centred solution that facilitates employment sustainability and financial resilience of Ukrainian refugees into local communities in Poland, Slovakia and Romania. A case study of the ESF+ social innovation project**

Dominika Czerniak, Foundation Innovation and Knowledge

**10:00 - 10.15**

**Integration challenges faced by immigrant entrepreneurs: A multiple case study in Portugal**

José Carlos Pereira de Morais, ISPGAYA – Polytechnic Institute

**10:15 - 10.30**

**Social integration of Ukrainian forced migrants in Poland. Best practices of local and national administration.**

Agnieszka Bielewska, Ewa Ślęzak-Belowska; Uniwersytet Wrocławski, Uniwersytet Ekonomiczny w Krakowie

**10:30 - 10:45**

**The impact of new European Union legislation on the rights of migrants and refugees**

Daniela Panc, Titu Maiorescu University

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**9.30 – 11.30 Third plenary session: Human rights, integration and cultural dialogue - continue**

**10:45 - 11:00**

**From an exporter of insecurity to a reintegration model: The comprehensive institutional and social approach in Kosovo**

Besnik Fetahu, International Business College Mitrovica

**11:00 - 11:15**

**Desire for Dignity and the Politics of Resentment in the Migration Context: Fukuyama's Concept of Identity as an Analytical Framework for Integration**

Kamil Kardis, Mária Kardis, University of Prešov

**11:30 - 11:45**

**Discussion**

**11:45 - 12:00**

**Closure remarks**

**12:00 - 13:00**

**Lunch break**

**13:00 - 15:00**

**Networking and discussion**

