

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL STUDENT HUMAN RIGHTS CONFERENCE

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Migration and Human Rights: Perception v Reality

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Annual Student Human Rights Conference is an opportunity for postgraduate students to present their research to a diverse and global audience alongside eminent scholars, experts and practitioners in the field.

Migration continues to be a highly debated topic. The ever increasing flow of migrants has led to the radical review of immigration policy at national, regional and international levels. The current discourse raises concerns about the treatment of migrants and poses challenges to the realisation of freedom of movement worldwide. It is therefore important to examine migration within the international human rights framework.

This conference aims to challenge society's perception of migration and consider the realities attached to it; from the root causes to the limitations of achieving 'global' freedom of movement. What action needs to be taken at national, regional and international levels to combat discrimination and encourage the integration of migrants? What measures can be taken to secure migrants' economic, social and cultural rights? Do we need to do more to protect vulnerable migrants, including women and children? How can combatting modern slavery protect trafficked and exploited migrants?

Papers are most welcome on subjects relating to one of the following themes:

- **Conceptualising the root causes of migration**
- **Discrimination of migrants and equal access to economic, social and cultural rights**
- **'Global' freedom of movement: benefits and challenges**
- **Scrutinising security and migration**
- **The human cost of migration: vulnerable migrants**
- **Modern slavery: combating trafficking and forced labour**

The Conference Committee encourages the submission of papers from postgraduate students in any discipline on any of the above themes. Authors of selected papers will be offered the opportunity to discuss their work in panels which will take place as part of the conference, alongside leading practitioners and academics working in the field. Applications are open to university students in any discipline who are enrolled at a recognised university. Papers and presentations should be in English.

Submission Details:

Using the application form available on the website, please provide a short abstract of no more than 500 words by **Thursday 11 December 2014**, clearly stating the authors postal address, email, telephone number and institution. The abstract should be submitted electronically to the following address: HumanRightsConference@nottingham.ac.uk.

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