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General Information

REMESO, Institute for Research on Migration, Ethnicity and Society, pursues interdisciplinary research, education and knowledge dissemination on transnational migration, ethnic diversity and citizenship.

The institute has since its start also developed:
- a platform for international visiting researchers
- a graduate school in Migration, Ethnicity, and Society
- a PhD program in Ethnic and Migration Studies
- academic networks and cooperation
- stakeholder collaboration and policy evaluation
- migration- and ethnicity perspectives for education programmes at LiU
- quantitative and qualitative databases related to on-going research
- a vital seminar and workshop series
- a number of international conferences

REMESO receives substantial faculty funding for the development and consolidation of ethnic and migration studies as a priority research area at Linköping University. Longitudinal financial support from the Swedish Council for Working Life and Social Research (FAS) is targeted at building a research centre of international excellence focused on issues of labour market restructurings, migration and social inclusion in the context of contemporary globalisation, changing ethnic relations and frameworks of citizenship in contemporary and historical perspective. The institute attracts considerable external funding for research as well as from other academic research councils. Its research program gathers around 40 researchers from different disciplines and research traditions, which facilitates the development of an innovative interdisciplinary approach to ethnic and migration studies. REMESO hosts international guest professors and post-doctoral scholars for shorter or longer periods as well as PhD and Master students, who follow courses offered by the REMESO Graduate School.

The present report offers a review of the Institute’s activities and development during 2010 and 2011.

Director’s Letter

It is a pleasure to look back, through this yearbook’s review, upon two tough, but at the same time rewarding, years in REMESO’s short history. Through concerted efforts of its scientific and administrative staff REMESO now stands forth as a major research institute with good academic reputation, in Sweden and internationally.

Looking through the list of publications that you have in front of you, together with all externally funded research projects and professional awards and assignments achieved, it feels a privilege to work with such committed and successful scholars. A dedicated staff, in administration and communication, has consolidated the organization, networks and public relations needed by a robust, innovative and sustainable international research institute. A committed Steering Board, professional backing from our colleagues in REMESO’s International Advisory Board, together with
continuous support from the Department for Social and Welfare Studies, the Faculty of Arts and Sciences and the Vice Chancellor’s Office, have served the development of the institute well. I particularly thank all academic and administrative staff for the efforts you invested in making last year’s international evaluation of REMESO a successful undertaking, affirming the institute’s status as the leading Swedish centre of research on international migration and ethnic relations. We all owe gratitude to deputy director, Anders Neergaard, for his tireless efforts to develop REMESO’s organisation and our research information bank during the past two years. Personally, I wish to thank Anders for his readiness to take responsibility for the management of the institute during 2012, when I shall be on a year’s leave from the directorship in order to focus on development of new priority research areas targeted by REMESO’s centre of excellence programme, generously sponsored by the Swedish Council for Working Life and Social Research (FAS), 2008–17. I will also, on behalf of REMESO’s staff, direct our warm regards to now retiring professor emeritus, Rune Johansson, and express our gratitude for his devoted engagement in building up ethnic and migration studies at Linköping University and REMESO. As a highly appreciated supervisor of doctoral students Rune has contributed to the career of several excellent researchers on ethnic and migration studies at Linköping University and other Swedish universities.

The past two years have been demanding, including efforts invested in research and publication, numerous applications for external grants and teaching at all academic levels. We have taken important steps also in building up the institute’s infrastructure, consolidating communication and an efficient network of collaboration across Linköping University, and we have extended channels for information to and collaboration with local, national and international colleagues and stakeholders. I am also happy to be able to announce that REMESO, in its new capacity of being responsible for administrating a major organizational subdivision within the Department of Social and Welfare Studies, can now integrate high quality basic and advanced education closer with research, and I welcome new colleagues into a widened academic setting, which they enrich with their perspectives and activities in education and research.

It is thus with confidence that we present this bi-annual yearbook and invite all colleagues and partners to join us in our efforts to develop REMESO further as a dynamic centre for Swedish and international studies on migration, ethnicity and society.

*Carl-Ulrik Schierup*
Two new professors at REMESO

During 2010 and 2011 two new professors have been assigned to REMESO; Professor Charles Woolfson in labour studies and international migration and Professor Stefan Jonsson in Ethnic and Migration Studies.

Professor Charles Woolfson. An Innovative Approach to Labour Standards and East-West Migration.

Charles Woolfson was guest professor at REMESO during 2008 and 2009, and has a permanent appointment at REMESO since January 2010. Previously, he was professor of labour studies in the School of Law at the University of Glasgow, Scotland and an associate member of Centre for Research on Racism, Ethnicity and Nationalism, University of Glasgow. Woolfson recently lived in the Baltic States for ten years, conducting teaching and research both as a Marie Curie Experienced Researcher and most recently (2004–2007), as a Marie Curie Chair.

For the period 2012–15 professor Woolfson and a team of researchers affiliated to REMESO have received SEK 3.7 million from the Swedish Council for Working Life and Social Research (FAS) for the project ‘The Swedish Model and Baltic Flexibility: Harmonisation or Social Dumping? A study of workers’ migration between the Baltic countries and Sweden.’ Participants in the project are Associate Professor Jolanta Aidukaite of Mykolas Romeris University, Vilnius, Associate Professor Christer Thörnqvist, REMESO Affiliated Researcher, Associate Professor Annette Thörnquist and REMESO PhD candidate, Indre Genelyte. The objective of this proposal is an analysis of industrial relations and labour standards in the enlarged European Union, especially in the light of decisions from the European Court of Justice promoting free movement within the Union, key among which was the Laval judgment regarding Latvian labour in Sweden. The project proposes to examine detailed changes in the ‘Swedish labour market model’ as a ‘receiving’ country, and the impacts of intra-European East-West labour migration patterns from the Baltic States (Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania) on the ‘sending countries’, especially in the context of the protracted economic downturn and social crisis. The project is motivated by a very concrete question: Is there ‘a race to the bottom’ in European labour standards in the context of East-West migration, and if so, what is the role of regulatory authorities, labour market actors or policy interventions that might inhibit this process? The project will focus on both Sweden and the Baltic states, in terms of labour law, regulation of conditions of employment, trade union activities regarding wage-setting, and employer recruitment strategies. The related European social policy objective is to assess measures to prevent discrimination and ‘wage dumping’ practices in receiving countries, while permitting the legitimate free movement of labour from sending countries.
What can cultural theory and literary research contribute to research at REMESO? An interview with professor Stefan Jonsson.

From the cultural pages of Sweden's major newspaper Dagens Nyheter, to a professorship at REMESO. Stefan Jonsson launches a new career, or rather takes a significant step in a parallel one which he has pursued besides the career as a critic.

So why REMESO, in Norrköping?
– I think research should be relevant to society, says Stefan Jonsson. It should help society to understand itself. Unfortunately this is rarely the case. But at REMESO research is not only socially relevant but a downright necessary for society. It creates an understanding of urgent policy issues that we wrestle with. It feels rather fantastic to come to an environment that is so tied to the contemporary world and its problems.

With his profile as a humanities scholar, literary and cultural critic, he contributes with new perspectives in REMESO’s interdisciplinary environment.

– It is also good for my research to be confronted with others, with sociologists, political scientists, anthropologists, and see how they approach these issues.

What can a scholar from the humanities and cultural studies bring to research on ethnicity and migration?
– The best descriptions of what it means to be human is found in art and literature, what it means to belong to a group, to be divided into groups. We humans use language and images to understand ourselves and phenomena such as ethnicity, discrimination, racism are also conveyed through language and images.

Stefan Jonsson moves seemingly effortlessly between art and literature, intellectual history and politics. In his trilogy Världen i vitögat (The World in the Eye) he discloses, thoroughly and relentlessly, the West’s and Europe’s claims to cultural universalism. Imperialism was a civilisatory project, he writes, but a project that could not be completed. The official mission was to civilize other, allegedly inferior peoples – but the day this would succeed, there would be no excuse to continue to dominate them.

In a previous research projects, he has analyzed how the term “masses” was established and used to discredit democracy. Political collectives, whether they are called “masses”,
Europe is also the focus of his current research project, which he pursues together with Peo Hansen at REMESO. It deals with Europe’s ambitions to dominate Africa and how this influenced the founding of the EU. The exploitation of Africa was a reason for the European nations to make a common cause. They saw a future European Community as inseparable from a joint colonization of Africa, Stefan Jonsson and Peo Hansen now argue. They also argue that this hitherto almost forgotten history has left its mark on the contemporary relations between EU and Africa.

Anika Agebjörn

Peo Hansen, Associate Professor

What triggered this project and the making of the book?

Given the increasingly severe financial, economic and social crisis that the European Union faces – and thus of legitimacy too – we felt it was high time for somebody to write a book trying to come to terms with the social purpose of EU citizenship. Simply put: why do we have an EU citizenship? After all, there has never been any popular demand for such a thing.

How did the collaboration with Sandy Hager emerge? He is a PhD candidate at York University in Canada, and you work in Norrköping?

Sandy was an MA student in International and European Relations at Linköping University. He contacted me and we immediately established a good rapport so I became his adviser for the master’s thesis he completed in 2005. This was a very good thesis on European citizenship and political economy. When I got a fellowship at New York University in 2006 the idea came to me that we should try to write a book together. After contacting Berghahn Books in New York, and getting their encouragement and a signed contract, we got started with the real work in 2008.

Contradictory Citizenship

Peo Hansen specialises on European integration, the EU, its history and migration policy. In 2010 he published the book The Politics of European Citizenship: Deepening Contradictions in Social Rights and Migration Policy together with Sandy Hager from Canada (New York and Oxford: Berghahn Books, 2010). The book charts the development of EU citizenship and its relation to various localities of EU governance. From a critical political economy perspective, it seeks to weave together an integrated analysis of EU citizenship, processes of migration, economic transformation and social change. It does this from an historical perspective, setting out from the commencement of the European integration project in the 1950s. But its main focus lies on the trajectory of EU citizenship policy from the 1980s and the Single Market project up until the present.
What is the book’s main contributions?

Well, first of all, the field of EU citizenship is saturated with a large amount of books and articles. However, Sandy and I thought we had a unique focus on questions that had not been dealt with very much. We wanted fill the void between the philosophical, or normative strand – perhaps best represented by Habermas – and the research within the field of multi-level governance. These traditions had sidestepped the central question about the social purpose of EU citizenship and typically have rather narrow foci on normative prescriptions, on the one side, and institutional descriptions and policy recommendations, on the other.

Instead, we find that there have been many different purposes with EU citizenship, which vary historically. It may have been created in the formal sense through the Maastricht Treaty in 1993, but it was de facto implemented through the free movement of labour provisions already in the 1950s and 60s. Since then external migration policy has also become a very important factor in how EU citizenship is defined.

We also argue that European citizenship, since the early 1990s, has come to be used for the purpose of legitimizing embedded neoliberalism, which replaced the embedded liberalism that marked the era of welfare state development in the 1950’s and 1960’s. So the national welfare state has eventually become an obstacle for European integration and is seen as a force that prevents the realization of EU citizens as neoliberal subjects. In this view citizens are not reliant on social rights but should be completely flexible in the labour market, not exercise political rights in a way that hinders further neoliberal EU integration and they are also devoid of national allegiances toward any particular member state.

Oddly enough, this sounds like a description of the experiences of the estimated eight million undocumented third country migrants “illegally” residing throughout the EU. Their lack of political status denies them the ability to access social rights and their socioeconomic insecurity forces many of them to be entirely flexible in working life, taking on jobs are available under whatever conditions. It is also this precariousness that stands in the way of a development of national loyalties towards any EU member state among these migrants, hence, a state of coerced cosmopolitan subsistence, as it were. But when coupled with the fact that most migrants in the EU’s flexible labour market (whether they are “illegal” or temporary “legal” migrants) lack the ethnocultural traits commonly associated with EU citizenship, the vision of the ideal EU citizen becomes increasingly blurred.

So this book relates to a large extent to current political issues...?

Yes, very much so. There are, as we argue, no signs that the EU elites try to reverse, as our subtitle has it, the deepening contradictions in social rights and migration policy that we explore in the book. On the contrary these contradictions are being allowed to get even deeper, as we speak. But by devising even more draconian migration policies, more neoliberal austerity and thus more obstacles to a reduction of unemployment and poverty, European leaders are in a sense dissolving these contradictions. As it seems, downsized democracy and hyper-exploitation of rightless migrants are things we just have to get used to. But if that is the case, well then we are truly going forward to the past as EU leaders then actually are jeopardizing what they proclaim to be the EU’s most sanctified achievement to date, namely, peace in Europe.

Karin Krifors
The Making of Citizens

Sabine Gruber, PhD and research fellow at REMESO was in 2010 granted funding from the Swedish Research Council for the project “Future Citizens in Pedagogical Texts and Education Policies. Examples from Norway, Sweden, Syria and Turkey.” Together with three other researchers – Professor Annika Rabo, Social Anthropology, Stockholm University, Associate professor Marie Carlson, Sociology, University of Göteborg and Tuba Kanci, PhD, Stabanci University, Istanbul – Sabine Gruber will participate in a cross-national, comparative study of ‘The future citizen’.

What is the aim with the study and how will you approach the research questions?

– I am going to study how the “right” kind of future citizen emerges in educational documents and curricula. Annika Rabo functions as project manager, but each of us is responsible for a specific country. The empirical material is gathered in four countries: Syria, Turkey, Norway and Sweden. Yet, it is not a traditional comparative study, it should rather be seen as a study that aims to generate new insights and deepen the analysis. The overall aim is to examine how globalisation processes are expressed in educational policies and pedagogical texts.

Why these countries?

– First of all, they offer interesting points of comparison, in both historical and geopolitical terms. Also, in Syria and Turkey the state has a monopoly of the output of textbooks and on how citizenship education is conducted at all levels in the education system. This is not the case in Sweden and Norway, where the ability of the state to govern has also decreased sharply. Another reason that we chose these countries are differences in political organisation concerning migration and immigration: Syria and Turkey have been characterised for decades by major labour emigration, but they are also recipients of migrants and refugees from neighbouring countries. Norway and Sweden belong to the same welfare state regime, but differ in migration regimes. Both Swedish and Norwegian school curricula stress the importance of a multicultural perspective; however, in practice teaching is still characterised by national framing. Last, but not least: the researchers involved in the project have a deep knowledge on both educational systems and the countries included in the study.

Why study citizenship in an educational context?

– The basic assumption is that education is an important arena where the citizens of the future both emerge and are constructed. We ask questions as: How is the “right” citizen presented? What values are highlighted at both national and global level? Whose history is made visible and what voices are heard? What groups or categories are identified? We argue that people’s lives must be viewed in the light of transnational movements and diaspora experiences and that education is an interesting example of this cross-border phenomenon. Even though education still is mainly a national matter, the organisation, scope and content of education are increasingly shaped in an international or transnational arena.
What kind of data are you going to use?
– We will use national and local policy documents, interview data and pedagogical texts in teaching subjects of importance. We have chosen this since we identify them as fundamental for creating values in society and also self-images and images of “the others”. We find pedagogical texts in history, religion and geography of particular interest in this context. We will conduct interviews with educational administrators and politicians and with teachers and authors of textbooks. We will also conduct short studies of concrete classroom practices.

What are you doing in the project at the moment?
– As responsible for the Norwegian part of the study, I have to refresh my Norwegian language skills... More seriously, the project starts this summer with a conference and it is planned to end in 2014. So we are preparing for the conference at the moment.

Jenni K. Larsson

In Defence of Ambivalence and Idiosyncrasies
During the spring 2011 the British researcher Yasmin Gunaratnam from Goldsmiths University in London visited the REMESO Graduate School as a guest lecturer in the course “Introduction to Research Methods in Ethnic and Migration Studies” for which she gave the lecture “Identity, Biography and Narrative Research.”

The REMESO Graduate School regularly invites international guest lecturers to its courses. This increases the already marked international character of the School, whose students come from all over the world and have an interest for advanced studies in migration and ethnic studies.

In charge of the course in research methods is Susanne Urban and Martin Klinthäll, REMESO. They both adopt an interdisciplinary and multi-methodological approach in their research, though they have had a particular focus on quantitative methods. The course gives a general introduction to different research strategies in the field, which is also reflected in the many different lecturers who participate in the course.

In her lecture “Identity, Biography and Narrative Research”, Yasmin Gunaratnam talked about her qualitatively-oriented research, which places the unique story of individual persons at the centre. Drawing on a specific ontology (or philosophical outlook on being) she argued for the value of not always reducing human experience (and history) to general categories, translatable and comparative entities.

Course directors Susanne Urban and Martin Klinthäll with guest lecturer Yasmin Gunaratnam, Goldsmiths University, London
With reference to thinkers such as Hanna Arendt, Stuart Hall and Steven Frosh, Gunaratnam emphasized the value of not violating the stories her informants tell her, but to keep these stories visible, with all their ambivalences, idiosyncrasies and details – a method which requires patience from the researcher. This research strategy is based in a view on ‘identity’ as constructed in the course of our lives, shaped in the very history we tell about ourselves. From Hanna Arendt’s The Human Condition (1958) Gunaratnam borrows the idea that the answer to the question who somebody is, can only be teased out from the history of this human being, i.e. from his or her narrated biography.

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International Workshop on the Paradoxes of Liberalism

On October 4, 2011, REMESO organised a workshop with the title ‘Paradoxes of Liberalism and the Conundrum of Solidarity’ in collaboration with the Swedish UNESCO-MOST Committee. Invited international scholars met up with REMESO researchers to share both theoretical perspectives and empirical analysis of the development in different countries and regions.

The background to this workshop is a new research project launched by Professors Carl-Ulrik Schierup and Aleksandra Ålund – ”The Paradoxes of Liberalism” – which takes a renewed look at the connection between ideological and normative change, its impact on structural transformations, and the prospect for social change. Liberal democracies today harbour a set of contradictory aspirations, which, in combination with an increasing erosion of the established civil, political, social and cultural rights of citizens, raise questions about the pre-conditions for social and political solidarity in our times.

The Speakers:

Ellie Vasta, Associate Professor of Social Inclusion, Centre for Research on Social Inclusion, Macquarie University, Sydney: “Solidarity and Difference: new identities in contemporary societies”.

Stefan Jonsson, Professor at REMESO: “The Ideology of Universalism and the Dangerous Classes”.

Dusan Janjic, Associate Professor, The Institute of Social Sciences, Belgrade: “Solidarity and Ethno-Nationalism in Post-Communism: the Case of Serbia”.

Charles Woolfson, Professor at REMESO: “Solidarity and Ethno-Nationalism in Post-Communism: the Case of the Baltic States”.

Invited discussants were Professor, Diana Mulinari, University of Lund, Branka Likic-Borovic, REMESO, Professor Emeritus, Martin Peterson, Gothenburg and Tunde Puskas, REMESO, Erik Berggren, REMESO, chaired the session.
REMESO in Mexico and South Africa

REMESO researchers have during the autumn of 2010 been travelling and participating in conferences, civil society meetings and initiatives aimed at the development of new international research collaborations.

In November 2010 Aleksandra Ålund, Carl-Ulrik Schierup and Branka Likic-Brboric participated as experts, delegates and observers at the Peoples Global Action (PGA) meeting in Mexico City, the “Civil Society Days” (CSD) and the “Common Space” of the Global Forum for Migration and Development in Puerto Vallarta. The Global Forum for Migration and Development (GFMD) is a UN initiative to launch state-led deliberations on a global policy framework on migration and development. The GFMD arrangement is initiated by a dialogue with civil society actors who convene at the CSD prior to the governments’ meeting. The Fourth GFMD meeting was hosted by the Mexican government in Puerto Vallarta on November 8–11, 2010.

Prior to the GFMD, the PGA International Working Group led by the International Network for Migration and Development organized a gathering of global and regional migrants organizations, human rights activists and NGOs, trade unions and academics in order to support a reframing of the migration and development policy discourse in terms of a human rights perspective. The aim was “to anchor the Forum within the new triad of “migration-development-human rights,” targeted at enhancing the quality of policy debates that until now have been framed within the simple dyad of “migration-development.” To that end Branka Likic-Brboric and Carl-Ulrik Schierup, were invited as experts to write and present a background paper on labour rights and the decent work agenda for the thematic session on human rights, development and migration. Their presentation received a very positive response from many migrants’ and human rights organizations.

REMESO was also one of only four European research institutes that were represented at the Civil Society Days. In her interview to the paper “Reforma” Branka Likic-Brboric urged the Global Forum to ratify and implement a rights-based approach to migration and development.

In November–December 2011 the visit to Mexico was followed up with participation in meetings of the Global Forum and PGA (People’s Global Action for Migration, Development and Human Rights) in Geneva.

The following up of the activities and other global and regional initiatives is part of the preparatory work to set up longitudinal research on migration, global governance and the impact of civil society as a major undertaking for a group of researchers at REMESO.

South Africa

Ålund and Schierup have also, together with Anders Neergaard, visited Cape Town as part of Swedish Research Links between South Africa, Turkey and Sweden, financed by the Swedish Research Council and the South African Research Council.

The Purpose of the visit to South Africa was to develop a major research application to the
Swedish Research Council for a long-term comparative project on “Global Governance, Labour Market Restructuring and Strategies for Migrants Rights in Turkey, South Africa and Sweden”.

The visit started with the groups participation in an international conference, organised by professor Ari Sitas, REMESO’s partner at Cape Town University (CTU). At the conference, “New Trends in Labour Studies”, the REMESO researchers presented a first draft to the international joint collaborative project.

The conference was followed by fruitful work meetings with South African and Turkish colleagues as well as contacts and exchange of experiences with representatives from unions, research institutes and the South African civil society.

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New PhD students

In the autumn 2010 REMESO welcomed six new PhD candidates who have become an integrated part of the research environment.

Viktor Vesterberg, Nedzad Mesic, Karin Krifors, Sara Ahlstedt, Jennie K Larsson and Christophe Foulquier started in 2010. Several other PhD candidates began their education earlier in separate projects, others at a later stage. Indre Genelyte started in April 2011. Some PhD candidates are part of a collaboration between Malmö University and REMESO, for example Inge Dahlstedt, Sayaka Osanami (Graduated in October 2011). REMESO has a total of 13 enrolled PhD candidates.

Indre Genelyte, PhD cand.

The new PhD students represent a group with varied disciplinary and professional backgrounds which has brought more energy to the seminars and to interdisciplinary discussions at the Institute.

Jennie K Larsson is investigating how discursive constructions of gender, sexuality, “race” and class affect the implementation of integration policies in Sweden and she has a background in political science. She thinks that interdisciplinary studies on ethnicity offer a critical dynamic to her theoretical perspectives. Indre Genelyte, who has moved from Lithuania to pursue her PhD project on Labour Migration and its impact on sending and receiving countries in the Baltic-Scandinavian region at REMESO, agrees that the interdisciplinary approach is very productive and thinks that it also colours the research environment at REMESO.
Besides working on their individual projects the PhD-students teach classes in pedagogic work, social work, social and cultural analyses, culture and media studies, sociology etc. at Linköping University but also have teaching assignments at other organisations and universities. Karin Krifors, who is interested in changing citizenship and intersections of gender, ethnicity and class in inclusion of labour migrants in Sweden, is currently planning a course together with Sara Ahlstedt on intersectional perspectives on migration. Karin thinks that planning courses and discussing themes of gender and sociological theory within student groups is also benefitting her research perspectives.

Sara Ahlstedt, who is writing on queer love migration to Sweden, presented her ideas at a seminar in December and with help from the comments she received she is now in the process of taking important methodological and theoretical decisions for her project.

Nedzad Mesic, PhD student

Nedzad Mesic has a background as teacher. He thinks that the courses at REMESO have been crucial for developing a theoretical perspective in his research project, which deals with old and new social movements’ response and inclusion to the most vulnerable groups on the labour market. The international environment at REMESO, especially through the integrated REMESO graduate school, has contributed to many discussions with international PhD-students on their respective projects which all doctoral students have appreciated.

Several of the PhD-students are also engaged in research related to collaboration with stakeholders. Viktor Vesterberg, who is doing his research on how the concept of “employability” can be understood in relation to ethnicity in diverse labour market programmes, has worked with the thematic group on inclusion (Temagruppen Integration i Arbetslivet – TIA), commissioned by the European Social Fund. Martin Qvist has evaluated integration measures within the project “Sörmlandslinjen” for regional authorities.

With a ten years experience in the field of urban policy and planning Christophe Foultier continues to benefit from his network in both France and Sweden, within his academic studies on the restructuring of states’ sovereignty in Europe and the consequences of reforms in the junction of urban policies and security policies. With their diverse experiences the new group of PhD-students have contributed to a more dynamic research environment at REMESO.

Karin Krifors

Viktor Vesterberg, PhD cand.
Thematic Group on Inclusion

During 2009–2011 REMESO led a thematic group on inclusion (Temagruppen Integration i Arbetslivet – TIA), commissioned by the European Social Fund (ESF). TIA has been one of five national thematic groups and its objective has been to develop new knowledge about methods for integration and equal opportunities in the labour market. In a total of eleven research reports, TIA has analyzed practices, norms and organizational solutions in labour market projects funded by the ESF. TIA has also arranged and participated in conferences, seminars and workshops targeted towards practitioners, policymakers and researchers. The thematic group, that has involved more than ten researchers as well as staff for administration and communication, has been led by Professor Maritta Soininen.

Why, Maritta, has it been important to study the activities and practices of ESF-projects?

– The EU strategy for growth and jobs, Europe 2020, involving three mutually reinforcing priorities, a smart, sustainable and inclusive economy, uses the ESF as its main instrument for increased labour supply, spending 77 billion Euros between 2007 and 2013 on projects for combating discrimination and ensuring the access and inclusion of ‘disadvantaged workers’. Projects and public-private collaboration are today an integral part of the development towards policies of ‘employability’ and ‘social cohesion’ in traditional areas of social and labour market policy.

What are the main findings from the TIA studies?

– The ESF emphasizes the development of new and ‘innovative’ methods for labour market integration. Our research shows that there are three types of methods that are frequently applied in the projects: ‘job coaching’, ‘work placement’ and education. There are both prospects and problems with these methods and there is also a considerable variation in how they are used and interpreted in different projects. The methods of the projects tend to have a strong focus on the individual, often promoted in terms of ‘empowerment’ of the participant. When applied in practice, however, the TIA studies show that the integration process often becomes more one-sided and that the participants’ perspectives and experiences are not adequately taken into account. It is also important to note that the emphasis on the individual solutions tend to downplay the importance of addressing structural barriers for labour market inclusion.

What kind of activities has been carried out for the dissemination of research results?

– An important criterion for the thematic groups has been to spread the research results in order to have an impact on policy and practice. To do this we have used different channels for communication, both new and more traditional.

The research results have been published in a report series, available for download on our web page, and in connection with every new report we have applied different publicity measures, such as press releases, sending lists and electronic newsletters, in order to reach key actors and specific target groups. Social media has been used as a complement to the more traditional channels of communication, where films, photos and short reports from our activities have been published. We have also used different external activities to present the research results, for instance the annual TIA-day in Norrköping for practitioners, researchers and policy level actors. In order to address the policy level we participated at the Almedalen Week at Visby in 2010 and 2011 and at several other similar national events. We have also arranged a series of seminars in Stockholm together with the Institute for Future Studies and the Thematic Group on Equality.

Rickard Ruhngård & Martin Qvist
The REMESO Board

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Research at REMESO

REMESO develops a multilevel approach to the understanding of migration, ethnicity and society. Its projects relate individual experience, local community development and civil society to the restructuring of the labour market. These research and policy concerns are viewed through the lens of ongoing debates over the changing frameworks of citizenship and welfare in contemporary society. Thus REMESO’s research agenda includes the policy and practices of governments, public agencies, non-governmental organisations, the media, firms and trade unions, in terms of their consequences for labour migrants, asylum seekers and ethnic minorities. At the same time, these concerns are contextualised by national state transformations, the wider forces of globalisation and regional integration. REMESO’s research also includes projects linking migration and ethnicity to post-colonial historical developments, education and health issues. A particularly important research commitment for REMESO is the development of the longitudinal and interdisciplinary research program Labour Market Restructuring, Migration and Social Inclusion. Regimes, Norms, Strategies, with basic long term financing from the Swedish Council for Working Life and Social Research.

Research at REMESO is organized in altogether five mutually interrelated research streams:

- Migration, Welfare and the Political Economy of Labour Market Segmentation
- Globalisation and the Reconstitution of Normative and Legal Frameworks
- Post-National Strategies for Growth, Inclusion and Diversity
- Citizenship and Ethnic Relations: Social, Cultural and Historical Perspectives
- Migration, Public Service and Health

As in previous years REMESO researchers have been active in writing research applications. And the outcome is satisfactory.

- The Swedish Research Council approved a grant to Sabine Gruber, for a joint project with Gothenburg and Stockholm University on the future of citizenship as presented in educational texts and training policy, with case studies in Norway, Sweden, Syria and Turkey.
- Anders Neergaard and Alireza Bethou received funding from the Swedish Research Council for a joint project with Christina Boréus, Stockholm University: “Equal workplaces in an unequal world. A study of what is conducive to gender and ethnic equality in Swedish workplaces”.

An important new element regarding the presentation and dissemination of our research activities is the new research database at http://project.isv.liu.se/REMESOproject/index.php?l=en
Charles Woolfson received 3.7 million from FAS for a project on migration from the Baltic States: “The Swedish Model and Baltic Flexibility: Harmonisation or Social Dumping? A Study of Workers’ Migration Between the Baltic Countries and Sweden.”

The Swedish Research Council (VR) allowed three projects funding. Anna Bredström received funding for a project on sexual risk taking among young people, Stefan Jonsson and Peo Hansen received funding from VR for the project “Building Eurafrika: Reviving Colonialism through European Integration, 1920–2007” and Tünde Puskas, received funding for a study “Language policy in multilingual pre-schools and families: institutional and everyday practices.”

New projects and projects with applications pending have also emerged.

In 2011, a new collaborative project on immigrant entrepreneurship was launched with partners from De Montfort University in Leicester and Lund University. Zoran Slavnic, Martin Klinthäll and Susanne Urban participate in this project.

Another newly started collaboration deals with young people’s situation in multiethnic urban environments. Aleksandra Alund and Magnus Dahlstedt participate with partners from Södertörn University and Kristianstad University.

“Dismantling barriers, enhancing rights and promoting active citizenship in Europe. A bottom-up approach to the effective realisation of citizens’ rights” is the focus of a major collaborative project application to the EU’s Seventh Framework Programme. Charles Woolfson is scientific director of the Swedish part in a REMESO team which includes Peo Hansen and Indre Genelyte.

The development of databases and surveys continues. In the autumn an online survey was distributed to 1800 people aged 26–29 years to investigate the role of contacts for job opportunities. Project manager is Susanne Urban, in collaboration with Martin Klinthäll and Alireza Behtoui. In spring 2012 another survey will be launched to study the transition from school to employment. Project is led by Alireza Behtoui, supported by Sabine Gruber and Anders Neergaard.

**ONGOING PROJECTS 2011-11-30**

**Stream 1**

Migration, Welfare and the Political Economy of Labour Market Segmentation

This research stream includes studies on migration, changing work organisation and ethnic segmentation in private and public sectors of the economy. It raises new perspectives on the informalisation of labour, on recruitment and employment strategies and on institutional discrimination. Research within the stream develops understandings of social capital, the local and transnational networks and the career strategies of migrants and ethnic minorities in cities marked by residential segregation, complex ethnic divisions of labour and new occupational niches. It relates the political economy of international migration and changing ethnic relations to the study of changing welfare regimes and labour market regulation and to the incremental influence of supra-national frameworks of governance.

**From Workers Self-Management to Global Workforce Management**

Branka Likic-Brboric, Research Fellow & Zoran Slavnic, Associate Professor

Funded by: FAS Research Environment Funding

**Informal Economy**

Zoran Slavnic, Associate Professor

Funded by: FAS Research Environment Funding
Managed Migration and Migrant Labour
Karin Krifors, PhD candidate & Anders Neergaard, Associate Professor
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Funding

East-West Labour Migration – Sweden and Baltics
Charles Woolfson, Professor
Funded by: Linköping University, Swedish Institute – Visby Programme

Migration, Citizenship, and the Welfare State
Carl-Ulrik Schierup, Professor
Funded by: FAS and Linköping University

Equal Work-Places in a World of Inequality
Anders Neergaard, Associate Professor
Funded by: Swedish Research Council

Reorganisation of the Public Sector
Lena Andersson, Postdoktor & Elisabeth Sundin, Professor
Funded by: FAS, Linköping University and Helix Center of Excellence, VINNOVA

Competence and Contacts
Martin Klinthäll, Assistant professor
Funded by: FAS

Social Networks in Informal Recruitment Practices
Aleksandra Ålund, Professor & Anders Neergaard, Associate Professor
Funded by: FAS

Transition from School to Work and the Impact of Social Capital
Alireza Behtoui, Research fellow
Funded by: FAS

Social Inclusion, Qualified Jobs and the ICT Labour Market
Jonathan Feldman, Guest Lecturer
Funded by: EU Commission and FAS Research Environment Funding

FINISHED PROJECTS (2010–2011)

Social Networks and Institutional Discrimination
Anders Neergaard, Associate Professor and Carl-Ulrik Schierup, Professor
Funded by: FAS

Career Choices for Young People with Immigrant Background
Catarina Lundqvist, PhD-candidate (PhD 2010)
Funded by: Linköping University

Stream 2
Globalisation and the Reconstitution of Normative and Legal Frameworks

This stream addresses policy challenges brought about by the globalisation, EU enlargement, changing governance of migration and related flexibilization of labour markets and the consequential implications for labour standards. It examines regulatory and normative discourses of migration management at one level, and the empirical and policy outcomes of processes of globalization on the European labour market on the other. In the context of the new peripheries of Europe,
both in the former communist countries now within the EU and those on its doorstep, of particular interest is the development of inclusive agendas that promote labour rights and collective forms of representation at workplace level thus securing decent work.

**Counter-Movement of the Precariat?**
Carl-Ulrik Schierup, Professor
Funded by: South African Research Council, Linköping University, University of Cape Town and Swedish Research Council

**Participation of Inhabitants versus Security Politics**
Christophe Foultier, PhD candidate & Magnus Dahlstedt, Associate Professor
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-

**Trade Unions, Transnational Solidarity and Ethnic Divisions**
Branka Likic-Brboric, Research Fellow
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-

**The Quest for ‘Fair Globalization’ and a ‘Decent Work Agenda’**
Branka Likic-Brboric, Research Fellow
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-

**Labour Rights as Human Rights? – Conference**
Branka Likic-Brboric, Research Fellow & Carl-Ulrik Schierup, Professor
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-

**Trade Union Renewal and Social Dialogue in Post-Communism**
Charles Woolfson, Professor
Funded by: Linköping University

**Policy Governance**
Maritta Soininen, Professor
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-

**Labour Standards in the new EU member states**
Charles Woolfson, Professor
Funded by: Linköping University

**Trade Unions, Globalization and Transnational Solidarity – Network**
Anders Neergaard, Associate Professor
Funded by: FAS

**Posted Workers Employment Rights (PostER)**
Charles Woolfson, Professor
Funded by: EU Commission

**Forced Labour in Sweden: The Case of Migrant Berry Pickers**
Charles Woolfson, Professor
Funded by: Joseph Rowntree Foundation

**Stream 3**
Post-National Strategies for Growth, Inclusion and Diversity
The focus of this stream is the analysis of a wide range of strategies for ‘renewal’, developed in a European context, as part of a wider change of welfare policy. The stream examines
strategies for development, inclusion and diversity, from the post-national to the national, regional and local level, initiated in a variety of policy areas, such as education, regional and urban development, entrepreneurship and the inclusion of migrants and refugees in the labour market. Of particular importance is the development of networked and deliberative forms of governance based on partnerships between actors across sector divisions, including public sector institutions, business, trade unions, employer agencies, NGOs and civil society.

Globalization, Migration, Trade Unions and New Social Movements  
Nedzad Mesic, PhD candidate & Magnus Dahlstedt, Associate Professor  
Funded by: Linköping University

Policies and Strategies for Ethnic Entrepreneurship  
Zoran Slavnic, Associate Professor  
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-

Partnerships, Anti-Discrimination and Immigrant Associations  
Aleksandra Ålund, Professor & Nedzad Mesic, PhD Cand.  
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-

Active Citizenship and Democracy for the New Millennium  
Magnus Dahlstedt, Associate Professor  
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-

Ethnic (un)employability  
Viktor Vesterberg, PhD candidate & Magnus Dahlstedt, Associate Professor  
Funded by: European Social Fund

Work, Market and Integration  
Maritta Soininen, Professor, Guest researcher  
Funded by: European Social Fund

Diaspora as an Instance of Transnational Governance  
Khalid Khayati, Postdoctor fellow  
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-

Refugees, the Labour Market and the Welfare State  
Martin Qvist, PhD candidate & Maritta Soininen, Professor, Guest researcher  
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-

Evaluation of Tänk Om  
Susanne Urban, Research fellow  
Funded by: Norrköping and Linköping Munic-

Place Branding: Power, Identity and Belonging.  
Josefina Syssner, Research fellow  
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-

Changing Frameworks in School Governance  
Magnus Dahlstedt, Associate Professor  
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-

Tourism and Development: Critical Perspectives  
Josefina Syssner, Research fellow  
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Fund-
Paradoxes of Liberalism
Carl-Ulrik Schierup, Professor & Aleksandra Ålund, Professor
Funded by: Linköping University

Collectivity and Universality
Stefan Jonsson, Professor
Funded by: Riksbankens Jubileumsfond

Northern Students in the Global South
Sara Ahlstedt, PhD candidate & Peo Hansen, Associate Professor
Funded by: Linköping University

Labour Migration, Crisis and Cohesion in Eastern Europe
Charles Woolfson, Professor
Funded by: Linköping University

Future Citizens in Pedagogical Texts and Education Policies
Sabine Gruber, Research fellow
Funded by: Swedish Research Council

The Politics of European Citizenship
Peo Hansen, Associate Professor
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Funding and Linköping University

European Integration and European Colonialism
Peo Hansen, Associate Professor and Stefan Jonsson, Professor
Funded by: Linköping University and Swedish Research Council

Building Eurafrica: Reviving Colonialism through European Integration, 1920–2007
Stefan Jonsson, Professor; Peo Hansen, Associate professor
Funded by: Swedish Research Council (Vetenskapsrådet)

Diaspora, Transnationalism and Transborder Citizenship
Khalid Khayati, Postdoctoral fellow
Funded by: FAS
Women and Migrants within the Sweden Democrats
Anders Neergaard, Associate Professor
Funded by: Swedish Research Council

FINISHED PROJECTS (2010–2011)

Cultures of the Crowd: The Idea and Image of the Masses in Modern European History
Stefan Jonsson, Professor
Funded by: Getty Research Institute for the Humanities, Helge Johnsons fund and Riksbankens Jubileumsfond

Stream 5
Studies on Migration, Public Service and Health

Research within this stream includes the study of migration and ethnic relations in welfare institutions with particular focus on health and education. Central questions are how public services are organized and distributed to an ethnically diverse population, the implementation of social rights and provisions and how clients and customers are shaped materially and discursively in these processes. The impact of racialization and social exclusion on migrants’ health and educa-

Young People and Sexual Risk-taking: An Intersectional Analysis of Representations, Knowledge and Experiences
Anna Bredström, Postdoctor fellow
Funded by: Swedish Research Council

Ethnicity, Gender and Sexuality in Social Policies
Jennie K. Larsson, PhD candidate & Peo Hansen, Associate Professor
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Funding

Ethnicity and Gender in Primary Health Care
Sabine Gruber, Research fellow
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Funding

After the Success with the New Generation of Antidepressants
Anna Bredström, Postdoctor fellow
Funded by: Riksbanken Jubileumsfond

Swedish only?
Tünde Puskas, Postdoctor fellow
Funded by: Swedish Research Council

Ethnicity in Pre-School
Sabine Gruber, Research fellow
Funded by: Swedish Research Council

Migration, Integration and Health
Martin Klinthäll, Assistant professor
Funded by: FAS Research Environment Funding and Swedish Research Council
FINISHED PROJECTS (2010–2011)

Ethnicity, Gender, Boys and Young Men in Institutional Care
Sabine Gruber, Research fellow
Funded by: Statens Institutionssstyrelse (The State Board of Institutions)

HIV/AIDS, Sexual Risk Taking and Intersectionality
Anna Bredström, Postdoctor fellow
Funded by: The National Board of Health and Welfare, the Alcohol Research Council of the Swedish Alcohol Retailing Monopoly, the Torsten Amundsons fund and Linköping University

Databases and Surveys

Beside ongoing research streams, REMESO initiated an ambitious project for development of database construction. Development of a register based database, a survey as well as an electronic qualitative database provides basic empirical foundation for several research projects.

The REMESO database is based on LISA provided by Statistics Sweden complemented with e.g geographic information and marks.

The database contains annual individual data on the total population in Sweden over 16 years of age. Variables include e.g incomes, education, work and geographic data annually from 1990. The database is updated every second year. The database includes detailed data for the analysis of labour market transformation and welfare, including possibilities to aggregate data on regions, local communities, industries and different immigrant groups.

During 2010–2011 the development of databases has proceeded further with an update to make yearly data from 1990 to 2008 are available. Data on companies has also been added in order connect the economies of corporations and businesses to employers and employees.

A survey has been developed in order to complement register-based studies on social capital, network and neighbourhood/school effects. The survey combines several methods for measuring impact from social capital, social network and neighbourhood on young individuals efforts to establish in the labour market. The first wave of this survey is launched in November 2011. The plan is to repeat the survey every three years in order to enhance a longitudinal perspective on the importance of social capital, context and networks. The first report on basic results from the study will be presented in the Spring 2012.

In addition to register- and survey based databases, an electronic qualitative database project has been running for three years and was concluded in 2010. In order to meet international technical and administrative standards and to facilitate European research an investigation into the possibilities for building a qualitative database has been undertaken within an international network with partners from REMESO and Wolfgang Goethe University of Frankfurt. The results are presented in a Themes report: Slavnic, Zoran, “Preservation and Sharing of Qualitative Data. (38/2011)
The REMESO Graduate School

REMESO’s International Graduate School in Migration, Ethnicity and Society, is integrated with the Postgraduate studies program in Ethnicity and Migration. The Graduate School courses are aimed primarily at graduate students, but are also open for masters’ students. To date, nine international graduate courses have been arranged. In the coming years the school’s future funding base must be secured.

The Graduate School is managed by the REMESO Steering Group for Education, a director (professor Aleksandra Ålund), a co-director (associate professor Peo Hansen) and a coordinator (postdoctoral research fellow Tünde Puskás). Teachers/researchers from REMESO are also jointly responsible for the organisation, teaching and examination of the courses.

The school also has an International Advisory Board, Professors: Raul Delgado Wise (University of Zacatecas, Mexico), Ursula Apitzsch (University of Frankfurt), Jan Rath (University of Amsterdam) and Ronaldo Munck (Dublin City University).

The REMESO Graduate School has developed into a tool for internationalization of the education and the Institute at large, as it is the platform for exchange with international scholars and students from all over the world. The information about the Graduate School has been greatly improved by the network of former students and guest lecturers, together with the enhanced means of communication from the Institute, through the web and Newsletter etc. During the years 2010–2011 the School has consolidated its standing as an important hub for international PhD students and researchers, who meet and exchange research issues as well as problems relevant in current political debates. The School’s varying curriculum and willingness to change and develop new courses enhances an education in connection to ongoing research in-the-making.

- Since its start the Graduate School has given ten courses with the involvement of 164 students from 26 different countries. 68 students came from Swedish universities including REMESO.
- Since 2009 the following international guest lecturers have been engaged in the course programme: Floya Anthias (Professor Roehampton University), Ursula Apitzsch (Professor J. W. Goethe Universität, Frankfurt), Giovanna Campani (Professor University of Florence), Steve Fenton (Professor Bristol University), Steve French (Lecturer Keele University) Anna Gavanas (Assoc. Professor Stockholm University), Yasmin Gunaratnam (Lecturer Goldsmiths London) Anita Göransson (Professor Linköping University), Charlie Jeffery (Professor University of Edinburgh) Masoud Kamali, (Professor Uppsala University) Russell King (Professor University of Sussex) Eleonore Kofman (Professor University of Middlesex), Helma Lutz (Professor University of Frankfurt), Marco Martiniello (Professor University of Liège), Diana Mulinari (Professor Lund University), Giuseppe Sciortino (Professor University of Trento), Mekonnen Tesfahuney (Assoc. Professor Karlstad University), Gülay Toksöz (Professor Ankara University), Lucy Vickers (Professor Oxford Brookes University), Lois Wise (Professor Indiana University)
- Since spring 2010 all the courses were full with around 20 students admitted. In a couple of cases special arrangements were made to admit almost 30 students, the great majority of them being PhD students.

Courses delivered 2010–2011:
- International Migration, Ethnicity and Gender: Intersectional Perspectives on Labour, Power and Citizenship (Spring 2010)
- Theories and Politics of International Migration (Autumn 2010)
Citizenship, Ethnic Division and Social Exclusion: National and Post-National Approaches (Autumn 2010)

Theories of Ethnicity and Nationalism – Historical and Contemporary Debates (Spring 2011)

Introduction to Research Methods in Ethnic and Migration Studies (Spring 2011)

Migration and Labour in a Global Economy (Autumn 2011)

Social Capital in an Intersectional Perspective (Autumn 2011)

Tünde Puskás, Postdoctoral Fellow
Each year a number of books, articles and reports are published at REMESO, most of which are listed below for the biannual period in review. The publication strategy is developed and maintained by the Research and Publication Strategy Group (RPSG) of the Institute which is monitoring our output, its impact, and how publications score bibliometrically. REMESO’s research output have grown in volume and “height” as publications are increasingly directed towards international peer reviewed journals and publishers, while we still value a diversity of output channels.

In 2010 the Institute formulated a publishing strategy as a guide in relation to the growing variety of journals, increasingly meticulous and costly publication processes and to bibliometry. Two other important steps relating to communication of research at REMESO were taken. The REMESO Newsletter started in 2010 in English and Swedish and comes out with a couple of issues per semester. It reaches researchers, stakeholders and media, nationally and internationally.

Article in journal – refereed


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--- (2011), ’Struggle for Survival in the Deregu-
lated Market: Re-commodification and
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holm’, Forum for Social Economics, 40 (1).
Syssner, Josefina (2010), ‘Placebranding in a
Multi Level Perspective’, Journal of Place
--- (2011), ’No space for citizens? Conceptu-
alisations of citizenship in a functional
Thörnqvist, Christer and Woolfson, Charles
(2011) ‘Dog den svenska modellen i Vax-
holm? Laval-målets följder för den svenska
arbetsmarknaden’, Arbetsmarknad & Arbet-
sliv, 17 (3), 2–24.
Woolfson, Charles (2010), ’Hard times’ in
Lithuania: Crisis and ‘discourses of discon-
tent’ in post-communist society’, Ethnogra-
phy, 11 (4), 487–514.
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in the new EU member states?’, European
Societies, 12 (4), 1–24.
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Jeffrey (2010), ’The Swedish model and
the future of labour standards after Laval’,
--- (2011) Kallaste, Epp ’Illusory Corporatisms
in the Baltic States’, Warsaw Forum of

Ålund, Aleksandra and Alinia, Minoo (2011),
’I skuggan av etnokulturella stereotypier;
genus, kultur och jämställdhet’, Sociologisk
Forskning, årgång 48 (2), 43–64–.
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Stereotypes: Gender, Equity and Ethnic
relations in Sweden’, Sociologisk Forskning,
48 (2), 43–64.

Books – refereed
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The Politics of European Citizenship: Deep-
ening Contradictions in Social Rights and
Migration Policy (New York and Oxford:
Berghahn Books) 240.
Khayati, Khalid (2010), Mağdur Diasporadan
Şinır-Ötesi Vatandaşlığa mı? Fransa ve
İşveç'teki Kürtlerde diasporanın oluşumu ve
ulus-ötesi ilişkiler (Istanbul: Avesta).
Schierup, Carl-Ulrik, Munck, Ronaldo, and
Delgado Wise, Raul (2011), Rethinking
Migration (Routledge).

Chapter in book – refereed
Hansen, Peo and Jonsson, Stefan (2011).
’Demographic Colonialism’: EU-African
Migration Management and the Legacy of
Eurafrica’, forthcoming in Delgado-Wise,
R., Munck, R. and Schierup, C-U. (eds.),
Migration, Work and Citizenship in a Global
Age (London: Routledge).
Kirsten Hviid, Postdoctoral Fellow


Soininen, Maritta (2010), ‘Hacia una democracia incluyente?: 30 años de derechos electorales para los inmigrantes en los comicios suecos’, Sufragio y participación política de los extranjeros extracomunitarios en Europa (D’estudis autonomic i locals, Fundacio Carles, Pi i Sunyer; Barcelona: Artes Graficas Torres), 153–94.


Edited books – other academic

Engstrand, Åsa-Karin (ed.), (2010), Möjligheternas marknad: Om företagare med utländsk bakgrund, (Stockholm: Tillväxtverket) 323.


Article in journal – other academic


Books – other academic


Chapter in book – other academic


Books – other (popular science, discussion, etc.)


Chapter in book – other (popular science, discussion, etc.)


Reports


Caroline Tovatt, PhD cand
Conferences, Workshops and Seminars

In collaboration with the Swedish UNESCO-MOST Committee, an international workshop was arranged by REMESO, “Paradoxes of Liberalism and the Conundrum of Solidarity” (organized by Aleksandra Ålund, Carl-Ulrik Schierup and Erik Berggren). The workshop focused on the on the conditions for ethnic diversity and social solidarity in the era of erosion of established civil, political, social and cultural rights.

Charles Woolfson was November guest speaker at a conference organized by the EU’s Dublin-based collaborative research European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions – “Social and Economic Impact of Migration: Central and East European Perspectives”.

Susanne Urban as chairman of the IMER Association organized the union’s annual conference in Norrköping with REMESO as co-organizer under the title Resistance and distinguishing’s practice – racism and anti-racism then and now.

Seminars

Spring 2010

13/1 Tünde Puskás & Rurik Holmberg: Globalization comes to “smallville” – a projectplan.
20/1 Magnus Dahlstedt & Aleksandra Ålund: “Villkorad samverkan: Demokrati och social inkludering i relationer mellan bildningsförbund och ‘invandrarföreningar’”.
27/1 Juan Velasquez: “Kriget mot ohyran: Om samhällsbyggnadens omvandling”.
2/2 Floya Anthias & Diana Mulinari: “Intersectional Analyses in the Context of International Migration: Ethnicity, Class and Gender”.
3/2 Helma Lutz, Goethe Universität, Frankfurt A.M: ”Migrant Women and Domestic Work”, discussant Anna Gavanas, Södertörn University.
4/2 Giovanna Campani, University of Florence: ”Sex Work and Trafficking in Europe”.
10/2 Maritta Soininen: Towards an analytical framework: Incentives and identities in joint policy governance.
17/2 Viktor Vesterberg, Report (TIA).
24/3 Jens Rydgren, Professor, Stockholm University: »Radical Right-wing Populist Parties in Europe».
7/4 Nira Yuval-Davis, Director of the Research Centre on Migration, Refugees and Belonging, University of East London: “Intersectional Politics of Belonging”.
21/4 Sara Kalm, Dept. of Political Science, Lund univ.: “Liberalizing movement? The political rationality of global migration management”.
5/5 Tünde Puskás: “Managing multilingualism in monolingual Swedish schools”.
7/5 Dissertation defense: Catarina Lundqvist: ”Möjligernas horisont: Etnicitet, utbildning och arbete i ungas berättelser om karriärer”.
11/5 Graduation seminar (60%) Sayaka Torngren: “Love ain’t got no color? – Attitudes towards interracial marriage”.
21/5 PhD defence: Jenny Kiiskinen & Sigrid Saveljef: ”Dancing out of step with the voters – The strategic approaches of the Social Democratic Party and the Conservative Party towards the Sweden Democrats”.
26/5 Paula Mulinari
2/6 Marko Valenta Senior researcher, Norwegian University of Science and technology, Trondheim: “Bosnian Diaspora and refugee return in post war Bosnia”.

9/6 Josefin Andersson presents a TIA report with the preliminary title “Integration inom projekt med kooperativa arbetssätt” (Integration within projects with a cooperative work approach).

Autumn 2010

7/9 Short presentations of dissertation ideas by REMESO:s new doctoral students: Sara Ahlstedt, Christophe Foultier, Karin Krafors, Jennie K. Larsson, Nedzad Mesic & Viktor Vesterberg.


22/9 Martin Klinhäll initiates a discussion on the planning of researching diversity management in Linköping (and perhaps Norrköping) municipality.

29/9 Peo Hansen & Stefan Jonsson present their text “Demographic Colonialism: EU-African Migration Management and the Legacy of Eurafrica”.

6/10 Susanne Urban & Martin Klinthäll present their text “Capital, Strategies and Networks for Labour Market Careers among Younger People of Immigrant Backgrounds. Report from a pilot survey”.

12/10 Professor Marco Martinelli: Music and Political Action: The Cases of Immigrants and Ethnic Minorities in a Comparative Perspective.

27/10 Professor Sara Ilstedt Hjelm & Research Engineer Pehr Mårtens, Product and Service Design, Royal Institute of Technology: Between Policy and Practice – design methods for user-driven innovation. The case of integration of newcomers.

3/11 Associate Professor Mekonnen Tesfahuney, Karlstad University, PhD Katarina Schough, Linnaeus University, Khalid Khayati & Josefina Syssner present the new book «Det globala reseprivilegium» (The Global Traveling Privilege), edited by Tesfahuney & Schough.

10/11 Professor Jolanta Aidukaite, Vilnius University: “Post-communist Welfare Systems”.


17/11 Workshop. Right wing populism and the Sweden Democrats: Cristian Norocel presents “Give Us Back Sweden!” A Feminist Reading of the (Re)Interpretations of the Folkhem Conceptual Metaphor in the Swedish Radical Right Populist Discourse and Anders Hellström, “Why we love to hate the Sweden Democrats”.

18/11 Professor Giuseppe Sciortino, University of Trento: «Citizenship and Social Theory».

24/11 PhD Barzoo Eliassi, Linnaeus University, presents the dissertation “A Stranger in My Homeland: The Politics of Belonging among Young People with Kurdish Background”.

1/12 Alireza Behtoui presents his text “The Impact of Education and Social Capital at the Beginning of Working Life”.

8/12 Susanne Urban presents her text “Compensation Strategies? Immigrant’s Intergenerational Educational Careers”.

15/12 PhD Maria Carbin, Umeå University, presents the dissertation «Mellan tystnad och tal: flickor och hedersvåld i svensk offentlig politik» (Between silence and talk: girls and honour violence in Swedish public politics).
Spring 2011

2/2 Ethnicity, Nation and the Ethnic Majority. Professor Emeritus Steve Fenton, Bristol University, Centre for the Study of Ethnicity and Citizenship.

9/2 Ethnic Entrepreneurship Visiting Professor Monder Ram & PhD candidate Craig Mitchell, School of Economics, Lund University.


4/3 Love ain’t got no color? Attitudes towards Interracial Relationships Final seminar: PhD candidate Sayaka Osanami Törngren, REMESO/MIM.

10/3 Tales from Istanbul: Experiences of Sub-Saharan African migrants in transit 60 % Grading seminar: PhD student Brigitte Suter, REMESO/MIM.


13/4 Identity, Biography and Narrative research, FD Yasmin Gunaratnam, Goldsmiths College, London.


27/4 Rethinking Anti-Racisms in the Context of Civil Society Guest seminar: Leena Suurpää, Research Director, the Finnish Youth Research Network.

4/5 “Consciousness of Social Class in the Experiences of Immigrant Students in Swedish Higher Education”, Guest seminar: Senior Lecturer Alpesh Maisuria, Anglia Ruskin University and PhD Candidate from University of London.

11/5 Changes in the Public Sector in an Ethnic and Gender Perspective Lena Andersson, Postdoc and Elisabeth Sundin, Professor.


25/5 Incorporation of Children of Immigrants: The Case of Descendants of Turkish Immigrants in Sweden. Working seminar: FD Alireza Behtoui.


8/6 Migration, Ethnicity and Society Working seminar for Edited Volume on Migration and Ethnicity produced at REMESO.

15/6 Ethnicity, gender and social networks in informal recruitment practices 60 % seminar with PhD candidate. Caroline Tovatt.
Autumn 2011

31/8 Where do we go from here? REMESO’s future research directions

13/9 Book seminar, ethnicity and migration
Working seminar, REMESO-edited volume on ethnicity and migration

28/9 Associate Professor Ellie Vasta – “Migration and Solidarity

4/10 Open Workshop: Paradoxes of Liberalism and the Conundrum of Solidarity

7/10 Degree seminar for the PhD – Sayaka Osanami Törngren
Sayaka defends her PhD thesis ‘Love ain’t got no color? – Attitudes toward interracial marriages in Sweden’. Opponent: Professor Charles Westin, CEIFO, Stockholms universitet

12/10 Josefina Syssner (REMESO/ISAK) presents the volume “Begrepp för en kritisk turismanalys”.

2/11 Tapio Salonen (Social Work/ISV, LiU)
“The Whole City: Social Sustainability or Desintegration?”

23/11 Karin Krifors, PhD-cand. 20% seminar

29/11 Working seminar, REMESO-edited volume on ethnicity and migration

30/11 Vanessa Barker (associate professor, sociologist, Stockholms university) on ‘No Man’s Land: Detention and Expulsion in the Age of Migration’

7/12 Sara Ahlstedt, PhD-cand. 20% seminar

14/12 Professor Stefan Jonsson, REMESO, gives a talk ‘Crowds and Democracy: The Idea and Image of the Masses in Germany and Austria between the Wars’
REMESO cooperates with stakeholders and partners such as municipal authorities, public services, governments and NGOs with education, knowledge exchange and project development and evaluation. Norrköping Municipality

The cooperation with the local Municipality has been ongoing since the Institute started. It involves exchange of ideas and experiences, dissemination of knowledge through seminars. The Municipality has supported the development of the Institute.

**Swedish Migration Board**

Researchers from REMESO are in ongoing dialogue with the Swedish Migration Board as the key policy actor with responsibility for national migration policies. This dialogue concerns the elaboration of a future possible collaborative research agenda across a variety of research themes with which REMESO is actively engaged and which are of interest to the Migration Board.

**TIA – Integration in Working Life**

An important cooperation has been the work within the TIA project. TIA is a theme group devoted to analysis, gathering and dissemination of knowledge about integration projects on the labour market that are financed by The European Social Fund previously described.

**Think About Project. Evaluation Mission**

Project manager Susanne Urban

TänkOm is a three-year urban development project in Linköping and Norrköping municipalities that granted more than 18 million from the European Social Fund in the years 2008–2011. Susanne Urban, in collaboration with the Center for Strategic Studies municipality, CKS, had the task of evaluating the project TänkOm. The overall aim of the project was to contribute to local development and to develop methods to help long term unemployed to enter the labour market.
REMESO have seen several staff changes during 2010–2011:

- Maritta Soininen has been a visiting professor and took on the scientific management of the large collaborative project, TIA (Theme Integration in Working Life), financed by the European Social Fund (ESF);
- Charles Woolfson was employed as Professor of labour studies at REMESO;
- Magnus Dahlstedt, Zoran Slavnic and Anders Neergaard has received lectureships at ISV;
- Josefin Syssner received a lectureship at the Institute for the Study of Social Change and Culture (ISAK), yet continues a 50 percent research appointment at REMESO;
- Peo Hansen was awarded a three-year career contract by the Faculty of Philosophy, funding for 50 percent research;
- Alireza Bethoui has become a postdoctoral fellow with a focus on ethnicity, employment and social capital.
- Rune Johansson is a long-standing colleague who played a central role in the creation of the pioneering Department of Ethnic Studies (Tema Etnicitet) at Linköping University and, since 2008, also of REMESO. Johansson’s key research fields have been ethnicity, nationalism and nation-building in a contemporary historical perspective. We would like to thank Rune for his important work for the ethnicity research environment at Linköping University and emphasize the importance of his research perspective in the context of REMESO’s integrated research program.
- Jonathan Feldman, guest researcher in the spring 2011, and Kirsten Hviid a Post doctoral Fellow, was recruited to contribute to the development of research on the restructuring of the ICT sector in an ethnic and gender perspective.

Rune Johansson, Professor

- Zoran Slavnic, Alireza Behtoui, Åsa-Karin Engstrand and Martin Klinthäll have become Associate Professors (Docent) during the year.
- Tünde Puskas has retained a postdoctoral position with a focus on multilingualism, language policy and institutional practice
- Stefan Jonsson has been appointed Professor of Ethnicity
- Viktorija Woolfson has been hired as a project coordinator and expert
- Anna-Carin Ramsten has been appointed as new Administrative manager
Peo Hansen and Stefan Jonsson, REMESO, participated in the organisation of “Rethinking the Modern: Colonialism, Empire, and Slavery” an international conference at Birmingham Midland Institute in July 2011. The Conference is held as part of the activities of the ESRC-network Rethinking the Global: Connected Histories and Connected Sociologies.

Susanne Urban became in 2010 chairwoman of the IMER Association and she and REMESO was involved in the organisation of the association’s annual conference in Norrköping with REMESO as co-organizer under the title “Resistance and Segregation – Racism and Anti-racism Then and Now”. Key note speakers were Ann Phoenix, professor of Social and Developmental Psychology Institute of Education, University of London, and Mattias Gardell, professor of comparative religious studies at Uppsala University and Irene Molina, associate professor of Cultural geography, Uppsala University.

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Financial Report

REMESO has been evaluated in 2011 and received excellent grades. The evaluation reflects the status of the institute halfway through its planned period of FAS funding as a strong research environment. Until now, REMESO has gradually grown and reached a considerable size. The long-term budget submitted from LiU to FAS, according to the requirements of the assessment base, relies on the handling of funds so that we can finance our commitments under FAS environment continuing until 2017.

The Institute REMESO has a limited and fully mortgaged faculty grant. Yet, most of the institute’s research activities are funded by a FAS Excellence grant ($5 M SEK per year 2008–17), co-financing from the university as well as by other external research councils. This applies to graduate students, postdocs and research fellows, whose employment must be guaranteed by the institution over a number of years. This also applies to REMESO’s lecturers whose contract must be guaranteed through the FAS Excellence support or other external grants.

In order to be able to secure funding for temporary employment over several years, such as postdoctoral fellows, research fellows and doctoral students the Institute must therefore periodize the use of some long-term grants.

Unexpended funds are hereby according to a budgetary prognosis toward 2017 mortgaged mainly for already employed graduate students and researchers and will gradually decrease from year to year according to the prognosis. This also means that a large number of applications for research funding are submitted each year so that we can continuously maintain, consolidate and develop Scandinavia’s leading research institute in the field of Migration and Ethnicity.

Carl-Ulrik Schierup  
Director, REMESO 2008–11

Anders Neergaard  
Director, REMESO 2012

Balance 2011, kkr

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