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EURA-NET is implemented by a multi-country and multi-disciplinary team of researchers under the coordination of the University of Tampere (Finland).

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## Transnational Migration in Transition:

### Transformative Characteristics of Temporary Mobility of People (EURA-NET)

While researchers and policy-makers have paid due attention to what drives 'traditional' migration across borders, not enough is known about the changing characteristics and patterns of temporary transnational migration.

There are ongoing temporary transnational movements among and between 'developed' and 'developing' regions, with different implications and challenges for countries of emigration, immigration and transit. These migrations present opportunities and challenges to governance at all levels, from national to international, and involve a multiplicity of actors and stakeholders.



## What is EURA-NET about?

EURA-NET is a research project conducting theoretical analyses and empirical studies in eleven countries in the Euro-Asian transnational space seeking to understand the current characteristics and related policy impacts of temporary transnational migration and mobility. The project is funded by the European Union's 7th Framework Programme for the period 2014-2017.

EURA-NET addresses three basic research questions:

- ◆ What are the transformative characteristics and development impacts of the temporary transnational migration of people?
- ◆ What are the policy implications of people's temporary migrations at national, regional (European and Asian) and international levels?
- ◆ What can we learn from temporary migrations in the Euro-Asian transnational space to better understand other regions?

## How the Project Operates

EURA-NET will provide comparative practical insights and comprehensive theoretical analyses of the transformation processes and development impacts of temporary migration and mobility, looking at highly industrialized societies, transformation countries (emerging economies, transition countries) and developing countries, representing regions sending and receiving migrants, as well as countries of transit.

Evidence-based information will be gathered through a review of policies and data on temporary migration, with a focus on the bi-directional flows of people between Europe and Asia.

Interviews will be conducted with selected migrants (and non-migrants) and national policy-makers in China, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, India, the Netherlands, the Philippines, Thailand, Turkey and Ukraine. The same approach will be applied to reviewing policies and data on temporary migration in the wider European and international contexts.

## Expected Outputs

The project will help national and international policy-makers to address the challenges arising in the increasingly interconnected and demographically mobile world. This will be done by discovering how politics structures the movement of people in sending, transit and receiving countries and by shedding light on the international practices and experiences of individual migrants.

EURA-NET aims to:

- ◆ learn more about the current characteristics of temporary transnational mobility and related policies in the European-Asian context;
- ◆ provide new insights on the political, economic and socio-cultural transformations arising from temporary transnational movements;
- ◆ provide policy-relevant information on how temporary migration can be harnessed to promote development and improve livelihoods in the countries of emigration, immigration and transit; and
- ◆ provide information to improve the formulation and implementation of national, European and international policies on temporary migration.

## Communication and Dissemination

Findings from the EURA-NET project will be disseminated through scientific papers, policy briefs, policy reports and the project website to foster exchange and discussions with academics and researchers, policy-makers, employers and workers' organizations, civil society organizations, migrant communities and the general public.

Each country team has an advisory board consisting of local and state authorities and civil society actors, and an International Advisory Board will provide international, regional and global scale policy advice to the project. Policy seminars and workshops will be organized at national and European levels, while a wider audience will be informed using the project website: [www.uta.fi/eur-net/](http://www.uta.fi/eur-net/).

The members of the International Advisory Board:

- ◆ Dr. Ryszard Cholewinski, International Labour Organization (ILO)
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