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17:00 - 20:00
AUSTRIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES
BÄCHERSTRASSE 13
1010 WIEN
SEMINAR ROOM 2 (CAMPUS)

The Commission for Migration and Integration Research and the
Institute for Social Anthropology cordially invite you to the **Workshop**:

Excluding the most vulnerable from protection: Legitimations in receiving contexts and resiliency of those concerned

Vulnerability in refugee regimes is conceptualized along various dimensions, ranging, e.g., from a precarious and sensitive legal status to the specific needs of refugees, furthermore including social, physical, and psychological aspects. Although asylum seekers can be categorized as vulnerable per se, there are several factors that may increase their vulnerability. These include individual characteristics such as age (children, unaccompanied minor refugees, the elderly), gender (women, pregnant women, single parents with minor children), medical reasons (people with special needs or serious physical and mental illnesses), experiences of violence (torture, rape, FGM), and sexual orientation or gender identity. Similarly important are changes in refugee regimes that lead to restrictions in access to asylum and to a growing number of deportations. However, researchers also highlight the agency of asylum seekers. Even the most vulnerable among them may develop strategies of dealing with the situation in which they find themselves. Our two speakers draw on this wider research context to discuss factors of vulnerability as well as the resiliency of vulnerable asylum seekers.

Further information is available under the following link:

<https://www.oeaw.ac.at/kmi/aktivitaeten/weitere-veranstaltungen/workshop-excluding-the-most-vulnerable-from-protection-legitimations-in-receiving-contexts-and-resiliency-of-those-concerned>

Please register for the event by 6 February:

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Speakers:

Nerina Weiss, Fafo Institute for Labour and Social Studies, Oslo: **Too vulnerable to count: Categorizations of vulnerability in resettlement to Norway**

Linda Green, School of Anthropology, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
In the Aftermath of Asylum: Guatemalan Mayan Women's Struggles in Guatemala, Mexico, and the United States

Chair:

Wiebke Sievers, Commission for Migration and Integration Research and Institute for Urban and Regional Research, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna

Discussants:

Maria Anna Six-Hohenbalken, Institute for Social Anthropology, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna

Leonardo Schiocchet, Department for Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Vienna