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Welcome to the latest edition of ICAR's newsletter, highlighting our most recent work and website resources.



ICAR Briefing: Citizenship for Refugees in the UK: Key Issues and Research

In this briefing, [Jacob Lagnado](#) highlights how refugees have historically been at the centre of policy, debate and social mobilisation around citizenship. It also examines specific paths and barriers to citizenship for refugees and the substantive meaning of citizenship in the light of contemporary UK and European Union policy. It highlights some of the key debates around these issues and relevant research, and signposts the reader to further resources.

- Read [Citizenship for Refugees in the UK: Key Issues and Research](#)
- Read also [ICAR 'Focus On' February 2010: Earned citizenship for refugees](#)

ICAR Seminar Series 2009-10: Researching Asylum Seekers, Refugees and Migrants

We are pleased to announce details of our forthcoming seminars:

Thursday March 25th 2010:	Issues in my research <i>[working title]</i> Led by <i>Vicki Squire</i> , Open University, Milton Keynes.
Wednesday April 21st 2010:	Surveying Migrant Populations Led by <i>Yara Evans</i> , Queen Mary University, London.

Seminar will take place held at City University from 4.00 to 5.30 pm
For information and bookings e mail us at icar@city.ac.uk

If you wish to receive our newsletter regularly please [register here](#)

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ICAR's mission is to increase public understanding of asylum issues in the UK, and inform policy and practice through applied research and impartial policy evaluation.

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Mapping the UK: Latest Additions

ICAR has enhanced the 'Mapping the UK' section of the website by incorporating the cities of [Belfast](#), [Newcastle](#) and [Sheffield](#). Mapping the UK aims to provide information about asylum and refugee issues as they relate to specific cities and towns in the UK. The section contains references, statistics and key organisations working in each region. It is an ongoing, dynamic project in which our interns play an important part. For feedback and suggestions please contact [Gabriela Quevedo](#).



Researching Asylum in London (RAL): Latest Additions

[Researching Asylum in London](#) (RAL) is ICAR's sister site containing an online, easy-to-access database with over 400 current research summaries on refugee and asylum issues relevant to London published since 2000.

- [RAL Asylum statistics for London](#) has been recently updated, providing some tables and charts to help visualize better the latest available figures.
- We have also made new additions to our research database. Read our latest update [HERE](#).
- [Subscribe to RAL bi-monthly update](#)

New MA in Global Migration at City University, London

The new MA in Global Migration at City University London takes an interdisciplinary approach. Students will be introduced to the local, national and regional impact of international migration. Core modules include Global Migration, Forced Migration and students can take options including Global Politics of Human Rights, International Human Rights Law, Theories of Race and Racism, Rights Multiculturalism and Citizenship, Human Wrongs.

City has an established team working in the area of migration, race and ethnicity including Alice Bloch, Leah Bassel, Milena Chimienti, Liza Schuster, and John Solomos. This course provides some students with an opportunity to undertake an internship at ICAR.

http://www.city.ac.uk/sociology/global_migration/index.html



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ICAR Research Directory: Latest Additions



A selection of the latest research on asylum and refugees in the UK are highlighted here. See ICAR's Research Directory for more reports.

[Credibility, Proof and Refugee Law](#) by Sweeney, James in International Journal of Refugee Law Vol, 21 No 4.

[Chance or choice? Understanding why asylum seekers come the UK](#) by Crawley, Heaven, Refugee Council.

[Cultural Differences in Specificity of Autobiographical Memories: Implications for Asylum Decisions](#) by Jobson, L. in Psychiatry, Psychology and Law, Vol 16 No 3.

[Ethical dilemmas? UK immigration, Legal Aid funding reform and caseworkers](#) by Deborah James and Evan Killick in Anthropology Today Vol 26 No 1.

[Issues in using interpreters in therapeutic work with refugees. What is not being expressed?](#) by Tribe, R.; and Keefe, A. in European Journal of Psychotherapy & Counselling Vol 11 No 4.

[Journeys into higher education: the case of refugees in the UK](#) by Morrice, L. in Teaching in Higher Education Vol 14, No 6.

[Justice Denied: the experiences of 100 torture surviving women of seeking justice and rehabilitation](#) by the Medical Foundation for the Victims of Torture.

[Making a contribution – new migrants and belonging in multi-ethnic Britain](#) by the Runnymede Trust "Community Study" series.

[Mental Health Among Persons Awaiting an Asylum Outcome in Western Countries: A Literature Review](#) by Ryan, D.A.; Kelly, F.E.; Kelly, B.D., International Journal of Mental Health Vol 38, No 3.

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[Migrants in Europe as Development Actors Between hope and vulnerability](#) a report by European Social Watch 2009 including chapters on gender and asylum detention, undocumented migrants, and country reports.

[Migration, Public Opinion and Politics](#) by Bertelsmann Stiftung, Migration Policy Institute (eds). Focuses on the UK, Germany and the United States.

[\(Mis\)Identification of Victims of Human Trafficking: The Case of R v. O.](#) by Elliott, J. in International Journal of Refugee Law Vol, 21 No 4.

[‘No right to dream’: The social and economic lives of young undocumented migrants in Britain](#) by Bloch, Alice, Sigona, Nando and Zetter, Roger in a Report Commissioned by the Paul Hamlyn Foundation, 2009. Read [RAL summary](#)

[No Voice, Little Choice The Somali housing emergency in North and East London](#) by Hassan, Mohammed Aden, Lewis, Hannah and Lukes, Sue. [Read RAL summary](#)

[Protection of Stateless Persons in International Asylum and Refugee Law](#) by Darling, K. in International Journal of Refugee Law Vol, 21 No 4.

[Safeguarding children who are refugees or asylum seekers: Managing multiple scales of legislation and policy](#) by Hill, Malcom; Hopkins, P. Book chapter in [Critical Perspectives on Safeguarding Children](#) By Broadhurst, Karen; Grover, Chris and Jamieson, Janet

[Social History of Medicine](#), a special issue on Medical Refugees in Britain and the Wider World, 1930-1960. Vol 22, No 3.

[Surveying Hard to Reach Groups – final report](#) by the University of East Anglia and Norfolk and Waveney Mental Health Foundation Trust (NWMHFT) on behalf of NHS Great Yarmouth and Waveney (NHS GYW).

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[The mental and physical health difficulties of children held within a British immigration detention center: A pilot study](#) by Lorek, A.; Ehntholt, K. et al. in Child Abuse and Neglect Vol 33, No 9.

[The Refugee Roulette: The role of country information in refugee status determination](#) by Tsangarides, Natasha, Immigration Advisory Service. See executive summary [here](#)

[Time well-spent: The importance of the one-to-one relationship between advice workers and their clients](#) by the Council on Social Action, with contributions from Refugee and Migrant Justice.

[Undocumented Immigrants and Rights in the EU: Addressing the Gap between Social Sciences Research and Policy-making in the Stockholm Programme?](#) by Sergio Carrera & Massimo Merlino, Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS), December 2009.

['Welcome to paradise': Asylum seekers, neoliberalism, nostalgia and Lucky Miles](#) by Stratton, J. in Continuum, the journal of media and cultural studies, Vol 23; No 5.

Why Seek Asylum? The Roles of Integration and Financial Support by [Zimmermann, Susan](#) in International Migration Vol 48 No 1. Based on a qualitative study of Somalis in the UK