



## NEWSLETTER No. 6 (July 2015)

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- Many new members

- Publication: on the protection of social rights, on the right to be heard in immigration detention procedures, on asymmetries and contradictions in migration and on Israeli's asylum policy

- Call for papers: "Europe's Shared Burden: Collective Responsibility for Migrants at Sea"

- News from around the world: worldwide displacement at all time high, the human costs of border control

### REMINDER / WEBSITE

For the members who haven't done so already, please write a short profile (max. 100 words) for the website of the IG.

The website of the IG is [migreflaw.wordpress.com](http://migreflaw.wordpress.com). If you have interesting content (a call for papers, a blog or publication, an event), or any questions regarding this newsletter, please send an email to E.T.W.vanroemburg [at] uva.nl.

### SUBMISSION OF REPORT ON ACTIVITIES

In accordance with the ESIL Interest Groups Policy Guidance, the Chairperson sends a report of activities to the members of the ESIL Interest Group on Migration and Refugee Law and to the ESIL Board by 1 July of each year. The report on activities of the IG for the year of 2014-2015 can be requested by the chairperson of the IG, Isabelle Swerissen (I.Swerissen[at]uva.nl).

### INTEREST GROUP EVENT - BLOG SYMPOSIUM ON EJIL:Talk!

The ESIL Interest Group on Migration and Refugee Law has, in cooperation with *EJIL: Talk!*, organized a blog symposium on the topic *'The (ab)normality of migration and the legal position of migrants under international law'*. The symposium featured an introduction by the members of the Coordinating Committee, blogs by Juan M. Amaya-Castro, Nikolaos Sitaropoulos and Francesca Pizzutelli, all members of the IG, and a concluding response. The symposium can be found [here](#).

### WARM WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Following the new registration system for 2015, the ESIL Interest Group on Migration and Refugee Law has grown from 37 to 107 members. The enormous expansion in membership is great news as it provides the IG with new and broader expertise for organization of its events (such as the 2014 [panel discussion](#) on boat refugees and the recent [blog symposium](#) on EJIL:Talk!). New members will shortly receive an email from the IG's chairperson to formally welcome them!

### PUBLICATIONS & BLOGS BY MEMBERS

Ana Beduschi has published an article on the protection of social rights of third-country workers in the EU under the Single Permit Directive. Read the article [here](#).

Sergio Mananashvili co-authored an article on the right to be heard in immigration detention procedures and the consequences of the violation of this right in the light of Strasbourg and Luxembourg case law. Read the article [here](#).

Tamás Molnár has published a blog on the multi-layeredness of international migration law, and on the normative as well as structural asymmetries and contradictions of this particular field. Read the blog [here](#).

Ruvi Ziegler has published a blog on Israel's asylum policy and the legal limbo of many refugees in Israel. Read the blog [here](#).

*Any member who wants to publish a blog or bring a publication to the attention, please let us know!*

### CALL FOR PAPERS

UCD Sutherland School of Law welcomes proposals for its 18th Irish European Law Forum, addressing the topic of "Europe's Shared Burden: Collective Responsibility for Migrants at Sea", to be held on 9th and 10th October 2015 in Dublin. More information can be found [here](#).

### NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

The VU University in Amsterdam has released a border death database, based on official death records at the Southern European borders between 1990-2013. Read it [here](#).

UNHCR has released a new report - Global Trends - in which it indicates that the worldwide displacement has reached an all-time high of 60 million people. Read more [here](#) on UNHCR's report and the new numbers.

*For more news, click [here](#).*

The [Interest Group on Migration and Refugee Law \(MigRefLaw\)](#) is one of the interest groups of the [European Society of International Law](#). The IG focuses on the law and policy of states and international organisations with regard to people who seek entry to their communities. The movement of people across borders is a defining reality of our time. This IG aims to provide a forum for discussion on the the legal principles and processes governing the movement of people as well as their reception in host communities. By doing so, the group hopes to build a shared knowledge base among ESIL members interested in migration and refugee law.