

# The Mediterranean in motion

Tuesday 5 May

A full-day interdisciplinary workshop on migration and movement around the Mediterranean hosted by the School of Social and Political Sciences, the Migrinter research centre at the Université de Poitiers, the Centre for the Study of Modern Conflict and the Institut Français du Royaume Uni.

The workshop will be followed by a public talk by Cédric Audebert and Thomas Lacroix (Migrinter) entitled:

**'The transnational dimension of ethnic business in the  
Eurafrican and American Mediterranean'**

5 PM in the SPS Staff Room, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Chrystal Macmillan  
Building

A wine reception will follow.

If you would like more details, or  
you would like to attend the  
workshop, please contact Emile  
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## Workshop

Raeburn/Carstares Room, Old College, University of Edinburgh

Directions: <http://www.edinburghfirst.co.uk/venues/old-college/>

- 9:00-9:15: Introduction and welcome (Emile Chabal)
- 9:15-10:30: First student session with 'paired presentations' by Martine Brouillette and Nina Perkowski (c.45 mins per presentation)
- 10:30-11:00: Break
- 11:00-12:30: Second student session with 'paired presentations' by Céline Cantat and Jacopo Colombini (c.45 mins per presentation)
- 12:30-13:30: Lunch + coffee
- 13:30-15:00: Third student session with 'paired presentations' by Charlotte Krass and Natalie Forster
- 15:00-16:00: Roundtable and closing discussion with all participants. Using the discussion materials available online, we would like to address some of the following questions:
  - Is it coherent to talk about the Mediterranean as a unified space?
  - How have migration flows across the Mediterranean changed over time?
  - Which institutions have acted on the Mediterranean in the past and more recently? And has the expansion of the European Union had any effect on this?
  - Where are the borders of the Mediterranean?
  - Who, if anyone, 'is' the Mediterranean and does it matter that many of those now trying to cross the Mediterranean are not from the region at all?

All the papers and discussion materials for the roundtable can be found in the workshop's Google Drive folder here: <https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0BoAgZ4o0R-bgMnRKMy1FeVNuX1k&usp=sharing>

## Public talk

6<sup>th</sup> Floor Staff Room, Chrystal Macmillan Building

Directions: <http://www.ed.ac.uk/maps>

17:00: Public talk by Cédric Audebert and Thomas Lacroix, 'The transnational dimension of ethnic business in the Eurafican and American Mediterranean'

Abstract: This presentation questions the coherence and unity of the Eurafican and American Mediterranean basins as well as their heterogeneity and plurality in a geohistorical and geoeconomic perspective. It focuses on the way the development of transnational migrant business interrelates economic strategies, social solidarities and ethnic identities. The analysis of the socio-geography of transnational ethnic businesses at the metaregional level as well as at the very local level provides a comprehensive approach of the economic, cultural and geopolitical issues the Mediterranean areas have in common.

The talk will be followed by a wine reception in the same room.

## Dinner

Dinner for all workshop participants will be held at The Outsider Restaurant (<http://www.theoutsiderrestaurant.com/>) from 19:30