

WELCOME/BIENVENUE



2014-2015 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President:

Idil Atak, Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Policy Partnership Officer:

Najib Raie, Simon Fraser University, British Columbia, Canada

Past President:

Nanette Neuwahl, University of Montreal, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Student Director:

Sarah Barrere, University of Montreal, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Director at Large:

Christina Clark Kazak, York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Student Director:

Jona Zyfi, Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Director at Large:

James Simeon, York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Events Officer:

Venus Filali, University of Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Director at Large:

Heather L. Johnson, Queen's University Belfast, Northern Ireland, United Kingdom

Student Affairs Officer:

Stella Ha, York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Treasurer:

Michaela Hynie, York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Student Affairs Officer:

Khamael Al-Faris, Plymouth University, Plymouth, United Kingdom

Communications Officer:

Armin Boroumand, University of Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Secretary:

Vacant

Practitioner and Advocacy Officer:

Ashley Korn, YMCA Greater Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Secretariat:

Centre for Refugee Studies, York University

8th Floor, Kaneff Tower
4700 Keele Street
Toronto, Ontario M3J 2P3

ABOUT CARFMS

The Association works to foster an independent community of scholars dedicated to the advancement and dissemination of Canadian refugee and forced migration research by establishing active partnerships and collaborations among researchers, teachers, practitioners, policy makers, advocating and supporting publications, conferences, and other fora that contribute to open and inclusive communication and networking around issues relating to refugee and forced migration studies in Canada and elsewhere.

The vision of the Association is to create a community for scholars with an interest in issues relating to refugees and forced migration, to facilitate networking and collaboration between scholars, to disseminate research findings, to foster linkages between scholars and governmental and non-governmental actors, to serve as a forum for debate and intellectual exchange on refugee and forced migration issues, and to be a prime resource of Canadian scholarship and academic contacts in the field of refugee and forced migration studies in Canada.

For more information visit our website at www.carfms.org

À PROPOS DE L'ACERMF

L'Association cherche à encourager et réunir une communauté indépendante d'universitaires dédiés à l'avancement et à la diffusion de la recherche portant sur les migrations forcées et l'asile au Canada, en établissant des partenariats actifs et des collaborations entre les chercheurs, les enseignants, les praticiens, les représentants gouvernementaux et non gouvernementaux.

L'Association encourage et soutient la réalisation de publications, l'organisation de conférences et d'autres forums qui contribuent à créer une communication ouverte et inclusive, ainsi que le réseautage, sur des questions reliées à l'asile et aux migrations forcées, au Canada et ailleurs.

L'objectif de l'Association est de créer une communauté de chercheurs partageant un intérêt pour les questions reliées aux migrations forcées et à l'asile, de faciliter le réseautage et la collaboration entre les chercheurs, de diffuser les résultats de recherche, d'accroître les liens entre les chercheurs et les acteurs gouvernementaux et non gouvernementaux. L'Association vise aussi à créer un forum de débats et d'échanges intellectuels sur les questions de migrations forcées et d'asile, et à être une ressource incontournable au Canada en matière de contacts dans le milieu canadien universitaire et de la recherche dans ces domaines.

Pour plus d'information visitez notre site internet www.carfms.org

IN THIS ISSUE

- 3** CARFMS 2015 Conference
- 7** Interview with the CARFMS President/ Entrevue avec la Présidente de l'ACERMF
- 10** Student Participation in CARFMS Conference / Le rôle des étudiants au cours de la prochaine conférence
- 11** The Hosts of 2015 CARFMS Conference
- 12** CARFMS' Online Research and Teaching Tools, and Practitioner Forum (ORTT & PF)
- 14** Upcoming Events
- 15** Become a Member/ Devenir Membre

8TH ANNUAL CARFMS CONFERENCE

ADVANCING PROTECTION AND FOSTERING BELONGING IN A GLOBAL ERA OF THE CRIMINALIZATION OF MIGRATION
TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA
13-15 MAY 2015

In mid-May 2015, the Ryerson Department of Criminology, in collaboration with the Ryerson Centre for Immigration and Settlement, will welcome more than 200 individuals to Toronto to participate in the eighth annual CARFMS conference. This year's theme is *Advancing Protection and Fostering Belonging in a Global Era of the Criminalization of Migration*.

The criminalization of migration refers broadly to the increasing use of criminal law measures against migrants and refugees, as well as those who come into contact with or help forced migrants. This process engenders far-reaching impacts on all institutional levels of immigration and asylum systems as well as on the journeys and experiences of forced migrants. This trend towards criminalization is worrisome to observers of forced migration because of its reverberating detrimental effects on the current and future protection rights and privileges given to people who cross national borders. Criminalization touches upon law, public policy, social services, and other practical and theoretical aspects of

public life that prove crucial to the survival and integration of forced migrants.

In keeping with the CARFMS tradition, this year's conference focuses on local, provincial, and national scales in Canada while continuing to undertake international and transnational studies. Towards creating opportunities for advancing human rights protection in the face of the normalizing of criminalization, the conference features research and presentations on new approaches, research methods and theories. Inspiration and points of comparison will be found in the exchange of ideas on the changes, achievements, challenges, and short and long-term options abroad. Honouring our commitment to bilingual knowledge exchange and dissemination, the main

lectures will have simultaneous translation options available for all audience members.

The Toronto CARFMS conference is designed to encourage synergistic exploration of research and ideas among academics, practitioners, community and media representatives spanning diverse disciplines and professional backgrounds. In a variety of forums, we will explore questions on the practical, social, legal, policy-oriented and theoretical ramifications of the era of criminalization of migration.

In addition to more than thirty panels or roundtables comprising approximately 140 speakers, the conference will feature a public lecture by Prof. François Crépeau, the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants. There will

also be three keynote addresses by (i) Olivia Chow, former Member of Parliament and Toronto City Councillor; (ii) Mario Dion, the Chairperson of the Immigration and Refugee Board, and (iii) Justice Anne Mactavish of the Federal Court of Canada. Finally, this year's conference will include three plenary

sessions with esteemed opinion leaders discussing (i) how to foster migrants' sense of belonging; (ii) the global state of refugee law, and (iii) the best means and practices for advancing refugee rights.

Some of the world's leading scholars, policy makers, and practitioners in the field will be presenting at CARFMS15. The conference treats both the large and more particular issues as significant for academics, practitioners, and policymakers. Some of the lectures and discussions will unpack the "big picture"—namely, the discourses, norms, procedures, and practices of immigration and asylum systems as well as settlement and integration policies in Canada and abroad. Others will explore the nuts and bolts of criminalization, including impacts on health, education, social welfare, employment and law

8TH ANNUAL CARFMS CONFERENCE

ADVANCING PROTECTION AND FOSTERING BELONGING IN A GLOBAL ERA OF THE CRIMINALIZATION OF MIGRATION
TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA
13-15 MAY 2015



ideal city for the study of migration. The city is also home to several public and private organizations and agencies working for and with migrants and refugees. Ryerson University, too, is renowned as a research institution that is deeply global and multicultural with a high proportion of first-

and second-generation Canadian students.

The conference will weave stronger networks amongst Greater Toronto Area early-career academic researchers, graduate students, national, provincial, and municipal policy makers, decision-makers, regional non-governmental agencies, community representatives and stakeholders as well as a sizable national and international contingent expected to attend. With the growing criminalization of migrants and refugees, strengthening these bonds can encourage much-needed innovation in the advancement of research on refugee protection and social inclusion.

enforcement and the differential experiences of migrants stemming from identity power relations based on gender, age, ability, sexual orientation and other axes of “difference”.

Beyond the social advantages of providing a place to meet and exchange ideas, the eighth annual CARFMS conference will increase the profile of studies in forced migration, refugee, immigration and settlement in all fields of the social sciences and the humanities through knowledge creation, exchange, and dissemination. As an extremely multicultural metropolis that serves as the major gateway for immigrants and refugees, Toronto is an

IMPORTANT DATES

Feb 20: Preliminary program posted

Mar 31: Early-bird registration ends

April 15: Participants must register!

May 1: Final conference program released

HOSTED BY

Department of Criminology, Ryerson University in collaboration with the Ryerson Centre for Immigration and Settlement (RCIS)

CO-ORGANIZER OF THE CONFERENCE

The Centre for Refugee Studies at York University

For more information, please contact:

Michele Millard
Coordinator, Centre for Refugee Studies
mmillard@yorku.ca

Jona Zyfi
CARFMS15 Conference Coordinator
jzyfi@ryerson.ca



8TH ANNUAL CARFMS CONFERENCE – SPECIAL PLENARY SESSIONS

ADVANCING PROTECTION AND FOSTERING BELONGING IN A GLOBAL ERA OF THE CRIMINALIZATION OF MIGRATION
TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA
13-15 MAY 2015

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

“Advancing Protection and the Rights of Refugees in a Global Era of the Criminalization of Migration”

Participants:

- Deborah Anker, Clinical Professor of Law and Director of the Harvard Law School Immigration and Refugee Clinical Program;
- Lorne Waldman, Barrister and Solicitor, President of Canadian Association of Refugee Lawyers (CARL);
- Sharry Aiken, Professor, Associate Dean, Research & Graduate Studies, Faculty of Law, Queen’s University;
- Peter Goodspeed, award winning Journalist, The National Post, 2014 Atkinson Fellow in Public Policy, The Toronto Star;
- Andrew Brouwer, Barrister and Solicitor, Legal Aid Ontario, Canadian Association of Refugee Lawyers (CARL)

THURSDAY, MAY 14

“The State of International Refugee Law in the World Today”

Participants:

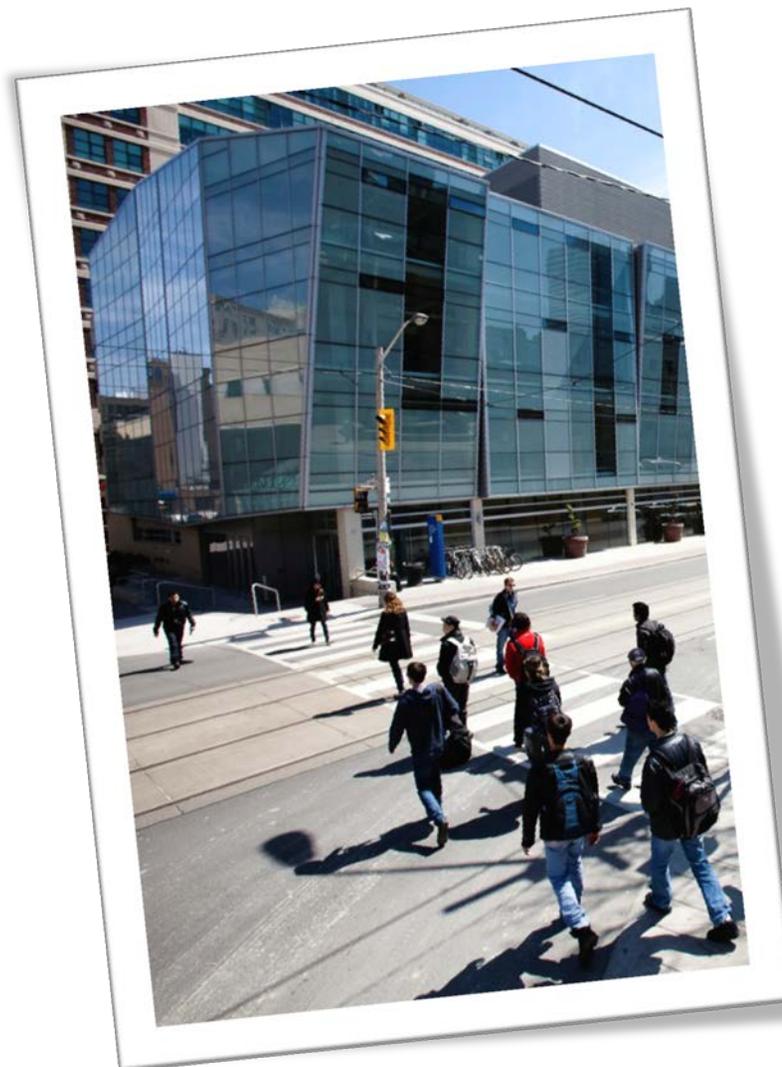
- Justice Katelijne Declerck, Council for Aliens Law Litigation, Belgium and President of IARLJ;
- Justice Russel Zinn, Federal Court of Canada;
- Justice Judith Putzer, Asylum Court Vienna, Austria;
- Judith Gleeson, Senior Immigration Judge, Upper Chamber, UK Immigration Appeal Tribunal;
- Justice Isaac Lenoala, Constitutional Chamber, High Court, Kenya, and the UN Special Court of Sierra Leone

FRIDAY, MAY 15

“Fostering the Belonging of Migrants in Their Host Countries”

Participants :

- Harald Bauder, Director, Ryerson Centre for Immigration and Settlement;
- Loly Rico, President, Canadian Council for Refugees (CCR);
- Debbie Douglas, Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants (OCASI);
- Nicholas Keung, Journalist, The Toronto Star



8TH ANNUAL CARFMS CONFERENCE - KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

ADVANCING PROTECTION AND FOSTERING BELONGING IN A GLOBAL ERA OF THE CRIMINALIZATION OF MIGRATION
TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA
13-15 MAY 2015

OLIVIA CHOW

Keynote Address

Date : Wednesday, May 13

Time : 9:30 am-10:30 am



Olivia Chow is Former Member of Parliament and Toronto City Councillor. In a political career that began in 1985, Olivia Chow has been one of Toronto's most effective leaders – on the Board of Education, at Toronto City Hall, in Parliament, and on the national stage. Olivia Chow was born in Hong Kong, grew up in Toronto, studied philosophy and art. She worked as a college professor, an English as a Second Language (ESL) teacher, counselor for new immigrants and a sculptor.

PROFESSOR FRANÇOIS CRÉPEAU

Public Lecture

Date: Wednesday, May 13

Time: 6:00 pm-7:00 pm



François Crépeau is the Hans & Tamar Oppenheimer Professor in Public International Law at the Faculty of Law of McGill University. In 2011, he was appointed United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada since 2012. The focus of his current research includes migration control mechanisms, the rights of foreigners, the conceptualization of security as it applies to migrants, and the Rule of Law in the face of globalization.

MARIO DION

Keynote Address

Date : Thursday, May 14

Time : 9:00 am-10:00 am



Mario Dion is the Chairperson of the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada. He has a strong legal background and significant experience in strategic and operational management. He has served in various senior roles in the public service, including as Associate Deputy Minister of Justice, Executive Director and Deputy Head of the Office of Indian Residential Schools Resolution of Canada, and as Chair of the National Parole Board. He was appointed to the position of Integrity Commissioner in December 2011, having served as Interim Commissioner since December 2010.

THE HONOURABLE ANNE L. MACTAVISH

Keynote Address

Date : Friday, May 15

Time : 9:00 am-10:00 am



The Honourable Anne L. Mactavish, Justice of the Federal Court was appointed President of the Human Rights Tribunal Panel in 1995, and Chairperson of the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal in 1998. Mactavish was also President of the County of Carleton Law Association. She was appointed Judge of the Federal Court and Member ex officio of the Federal Court of Appeal on November 19, 2003. She was appointed as a Judge of the Court Martial Appeal Court of Canada on March 23, 2004.

INTERVIEW WITH DR. IDIL ATAK, PRESIDENT OF CARFMS

ENTREVUE AVEC DR. IDIL ATAK, PRÉSIDENTE DE L'ACERMF

QUESTION #1

What is the role of the CARFMS president ?

My main role is to represent CARFMS, promote its activities and enhance its membership. The CARFMS Annual Conference is extremely important in this regard. Our conference attracts some of the leading researchers, academics, policy makers, practitioners, advocates and students in the field of refugee and forced migration studies. This bilingual conference is now one of the leading annual forums for scholarly and inter-sectoral debate about the impact and consequences of policy changes on refugees, and migration more broadly. Also, it provides the opportunity for graduate and undergraduate students to present their research results, most notably through the CARFMS Student Essay Contest. It therefore contributes to the training of future professionals in this field. For these reasons, I attach great importance to the success of our next annual conference.

Pourriez-vous nous parler du rôle du président de l'ACERMF?

Mon rôle principal est de représenter l'ACERMF, promouvoir ses activités et sa visibilité. La Conférence annuelle de l'ACERMF est extrêmement importante à cet égard. Notre conférence rassemble non

seulement des chercheurs et des universitaires de premier plan, mais aussi des décideurs, des membres d'ONG, des avocats et des étudiants dans le domaine des réfugiés et des études sur les migrations forcées en particulier et les migrations en général. Au cours des dernières années, cette conférence bilingue est devenue l'un des principaux forums annuels pour le débat académique et le dialogue intersectoriel dans le domaine. De plus, la Conférence offre aux étudiants de premier cycle universitaire et de cycles supérieurs l'opportunité de présenter leurs résultats de recherche à travers notamment le concours d'essai pour étudiants de l'ACERMF. Elle contribue donc à la formation des professionnels de demain. Pour ces raisons, en tant que présidente, j'attache une grande importance à la réussite de notre prochaine conférence annuelle.

QUESTION #2

The 2015 Conference will be held at Ryerson University from 13-15 May and it focuses on "Advancing Protection and Fostering Belonging in a Global Era of the Criminalization of Migration". What are the reasons behind choosing this theme?

The conference theme is both timely and topical. Our aim is to draw attention to the increasing use of criminal law measures,

the criminalizing discourse and other policies and practices that stigmatize and/or diminish the rights of migrants and refugees, as well as those who come into contact with or help forced migrants in Canada and internationally. The conference will explore the repercussions of these alarming developments on the immigration and asylum systems in Canada and other host states, and for the situation of not only forced migrants, but also for legal migrants. The annual conference will also discuss the achievements, challenges and short and long-term options for advancing the protection of migrants and fostering their belonging in their receiving societies.

La Conférence de cette année aura lieu du 13 au 15 mai à l'Université Ryerson. Elle portera sur le thème « Promouvoir la protection et favoriser le sentiment d'appartenance à l'ère de la criminalisation des migrations ». Pourquoi avoir choisi ce thème?

La conférence porte sur un sujet de grande importance et d'actualité. Notre objectif est d'attirer l'attention sur le recours croissant par les Etats aux mesures de droit pénal en vue de contenir les migrations et punir les migrants et les réfugiés au Canada et à l'étranger. La conférence va explorer le discours criminalisant ainsi que les autres politiques et pratiques visant les migrants. Elle offrira un forum pour discuter des répercussions de ces développements sur

les systèmes d'immigration et d'asile, et sur les droits des migrants tant forcés que légaux. Nous nous attendons également à avoir des présentations et échanges relativement aux réalisations accomplies et défis rencontrés par différents acteurs, débattre des solutions à court et à long terme pour faire progresser la protection des migrants et favoriser leur établissement et intégration au Canada et dans d'autres pays.

QUESTION #3

What makes Ryerson University special for hosting the upcoming conference?

Ryerson University is a deeply global and multicultural institution. It also has a well-established reputation as the pre-eminent site of knowledge development and exchange with governments, community organizations, and academics. Our conference theme is of particular relevance to my Department of Criminology, which is playing a leading role in the conference planning and organization together with Ryerson's Centre for Immigration and Settlement (RCIS). RCIS has a long-standing reputation for organizing large, multidisciplinary events, as well as recognized expertise in the field of immigration and settlement. Its affiliated large multidisciplinary network of academics, students, and refugee and settlement agencies will ensure wider

INTERVIEW WITH DR. IDIL ATAK, PRESIDENT OF CARFMS

ENTREVUE AVEC DR. IDIL ATAK, PRÉSIDENTE DE L'ACERMF

outreach to researchers, students in different universities, community representatives and other stakeholders in the GTA. Moreover, Ryerson University is located strategically in the heart of downtown in the City of Toronto, providing all conference participants easy access to all of the major academic, cultural, historical, and shopping attractions that Canada's largest city has to offer. I believe that the venue will greatly contribute to the success of the conference.

Pourquoi avoir choisi Ryerson comme l'université hôte?

L'Université Ryerson est une institution profondément diverse et multiculturelle. Elle jouit d'une réputation bien établie en tant que promoteur de savoir et d'échanges entre les gouvernements, les organismes communautaires et les universitaires. Le thème de la conférence est d'un intérêt tout particulier pour le Département de Criminologie, qui joue un rôle de premier plan dans la planification et l'organisation de la conférence. Ryerson Centre for Immigration and Settlement (RCIS) qui co-organise la conférence a une expérience confirmée dans l'organisation d'événements pluridisciplinaires de grande ampleur. RCIS a, de plus, une expertise reconnue dans le domaine de l'immigration et d'établissement de migrants. Il bénéficie d'un vaste réseau multidisciplinaire de membres, que ce soit

des universitaires, des étudiants, des organismes de réfugiés, des représentants communautaires et d'autres intervenants à Toronto. De plus, son emplacement au centre-ville de Toronto et sa proximité aux autres universités et aux principales attractions historiques et culturelles de la ville font de l'Université Ryerson un endroit idéal pour la conférence. Je crois donc que le choix de Ryerson contribuera grandement au succès de la conférence.

QUESTION #4

What are the expectations of the 2015 Conference at Ryerson University?

We are planning to have over 200 participants in attendance at this conference which will raise, undoubtedly, the profile of Ryerson University and showcase its expertise in refugee and migration studies. I am very pleased that the conference has received substantial support from Ryerson, especially the Office of the Provost and Vice President Academic, and Ryerson Students Union. I believe that the event will benefit from our faculty members' expertise and experience and, at the same time, enhance academic and policy networking and research collaborations between Ryerson faculty and students and other participants from Canada and internationally. The conference will also provide training, skills development and mentoring

opportunities for our graduate and undergraduate students who are actively involved in the planning and organization of the conference as assistants, rapporteurs, volunteers, and paper presenters. We fully anticipate that our conference will accelerate current research, generate new research collaborations and student learning at undergraduate and graduate levels.

Quelles sont les attentes de l'Université Ryerson de cette conférence?

Nous anticipons un niveau de participation élevé à la conférence de 2015 avec plus de 200 participants. Il ne fait pas doute que l'événement augmentera davantage la visibilité de l'Université Ryerson. Je suis très heureuse que la conférence ait reçu un soutien massif de la part de Ryerson, y compris de l'Office of the Provost and Vice President Academic et Ryerson Students Union. Je crois que l'événement bénéficiera de l'expertise et l'expérience des membres de notre corps professoral. En même temps, il leur offrira, ainsi qu'aux étudiants de Ryerson, une opportunité d'établir de nouvelles collaborations de recherche et de réseautage avec d'autres participants en provenance des autres provinces du Canada et de l'étranger. Aussi, la conférence contribuera à la formation des étudiants de Ryerson qui sont activement impliqués dans la planification et l'organisation en tant qu'assistants, rapporteurs, bénévoles, et présentateurs.

QUESTION #5

Can you talk about the Organizing Committee briefly?

The CARFMS Conference Organizing Committee oversees the planning process. Its membership reflects the multidisciplinary nature of the conference. The Committee includes myself, Dr. James C. Simeon, Director of the School of Public Policy and Administration, York University, Dr. Harald Bauder, Academic Director of the Ryerson Centre for Immigration and Settlement (RCIS), Dr. Armin Boroumand, Post-Doctoral researcher at the University of Montreal, Jona Zyfi, Ryerson Criminology BA student, Ashley Korn, Manager of Provincial Programs at YMCA Greater Toronto and Venus Filali, MA student at the Faculty of Law, University of Montreal, and Michele Millard, Coordinator, Centre for Refugee Studies, York University.

Pouvez-vous nous parler du Comité Organisateur de la Conférence?

Le Comité d'organisation de l'ACERMF s'occupe du processus de planification de la conférence. Sa composition reflète la nature multidisciplinaire de la conférence. Le Comité comprend, mise à part moi-même, Dr James C. Simeon, Directeur de School of Public Policy and Administration, Université York, Dr Harald Bauder, Directeur académique du RCIS, Dr. Armin Boroumand, chercheur post-doctoral à

INTERVIEW WITH DR. IDIL ATAK, PRESIDENT OF CARFMS

ENTREVUE AVEC DR. IDIL ATAK, PRÉSIDENTE DE L'ACERMF

l'Université de Montréal, Jona Zyfi, étudiante au Département de Criminologie de l'Université Ryerson, Ashley Korn, Responsable des programmes provinciaux au YMCA du Grand Toronto, Venus Filali, étudiante à la maîtrise à la Faculté de droit, Université de Montréal et Michele Millard, Coordinatrice, Centre for Refugee Studies, Université York.

QUESTION #6

Will you please name the organisers of the conference and the other institutions contributing to this event ?

As I mentioned previously, the conference is hosted by Ryerson's Department of Criminology in collaboration with Ryerson's Centre for Immigration and Settlement (RCIS). It benefits from the financial support of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC), as well as York University's Centre for Refugee Studies that has served as the CARFMS Secretariat since its inception in 2008. This year, CARFMS has also established partnerships with the following sponsors:

Ryerson's Office of the Provost and Vice President Academic; Faculty of Arts; Faculty of Community Services; Department of Sociology; Department of Politics and Public Administration; Immigration and Settlement Studies; Ryerson Students

Union; York University's School of Public Policy and Administration; Nathanson Centre on Transnational Human Rights, Crime and Security; CERIS –The Ontario Metropolis Centre, and the University of Montréal's Jean-Monnet Chair in European Union Law. I take this opportunity to thank our sponsors.

Quelles sont les institutions organisant la conférence et celles qui la sponsorisent?

Comme je l'ai déjà mentionné, la conférence est organisée par le Département de Criminologie de l'Université Ryerson en collaboration avec RCIS. Nous bénéficions d'une subvention du Conseil de Recherche en Sciences Humaines (CRSH). Le Centre for Refugee Studies de l'Université York qui abrite le Secrétariat de l'ACERMF depuis sa fondation en 2008 nous offre un précieux soutien logistique. Par ailleurs, cette année, la conférence bénéficie également du soutien des organismes suivants :

Ryerson Office of the Provost and Vice President Academic, la Faculté des Arts, la Faculté des Services Communautaires, le Département de Sociologie, le Département de Politique et Administration Publique, Immigration and Settlement Studies de l'Université Ryerson, Ryerson Students Union; School of Public Policy and Administration de l'Université York; Nathanson Centre on Transnational

Human Rights, Crime and Security de Université York, CERIS –The Ontario Metropolis Centre et la Chaire Jean-Monnet en droit de l'Union européenne de l'Université de Montréal. Je saisis cette opportunité pour remercier nos sponsors.



**Thank you very much for your time.
Merci.**

**Interviewer/Entrevue menée par :
Armin Boroumand, CARFMS
Executive Committee Member,
Communications Officer/ Membre
du Comité exécutif de l'ACERMF et
Responsable aux Communications**

STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN CARFMS CONFERENCE

CARFMS is committed to reaching out to students—and to building opportunities for the next generation of scholars, opinion leaders, and practitioners to meet each other face-to-face, not only to network but also to discuss pertinent issues of forced migration. This goal is being met through the structure and design of this year's conference: *Advancing Protection and Fostering Belonging in a Global Era of the Criminalization of Migration*.

Ryerson University, the site of this year's conference, is well known for its diverse approach to learning and community engagement. As a truly multicultural institution, it enlists students as partners in the process. Built into the conference are opportunities for students to connect with co-sponsors, including the International

Association of Refugee Law judges and the Canadian Association of Refugee Lawyers.

The guaranteed presence of representatives of other groups and institutions—including York University's Centre for Refugee Studies, School of Public Policy and Administration; the Nathanson Centre on Transnational Human Rights, Crime and Security; CERIS –The Ontario Metropolis Centre; and the University of Montréal's Jean-Monnet

Chair in European Union Law—will open doors for students to explore career options related to forced migration studies.



Early career scholars and students are involved in presenting, leading discussions and conference organizing. These community members will gain formal and informal skills development and training as well as social benefits. CARFMS is also happy to have undergraduate and postgraduate student representatives on the Conference Organizing Committee and the Executive Committee.

Finally, the Student Essay Contest is a hotly anticipated facet of the annual CARFMS conferences, and this year's winning entry will surely be a significant contribution to the literature on par with its predecessors. The essay will be available for universal circulation through *Refuge's* open access policy.



THE HOSTS OF 2015 CARFMS CONFERENCE

THE DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINOLOGY

The Department of Criminology examines the key players and institutions that affect, and are affected by, the justice system and other institutions of regulation. The program seeks to understand the balancing of the interests of victims, offenders, the public, and politicians along with concerns about human rights and social justice. The field of criminology is interdisciplinary, as is the faculty in the department. Ryerson's Criminology professors have backgrounds in women's studies, law, social anthropology, criminology, and sociology. Their research areas include the operation of the youth justice system, youth gangs, geographic analysis of violent crime, human rights and national security, human trafficking, migration and refugees, policing and governance, Aboriginal governance and justice, and victims in the criminal justice system.

RYERSON UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINOLOGY



THE RYERSON CENTRE FOR IMMIGRATION AND SETTLEMENT

The Ryerson Centre for Immigration and Settlement (RCIS, www.ryerson.ca/rcis) aims to be a leader in the transdisciplinary exploration of international migration, integration, and diaspora and refugee studies. Recently, RCIS researchers Charity Hannan and Harald Bauder received funding from the Province of Ontario's Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities to pursue the research project "Towards Creating a Sanctuary Province: A Review of the Literature on the Labour Market Policies, Programs, and Service Deliveries that Help Employers Utilize 'Illegalized' Immigrants' Human Capital". RCIS also plans to expand its research on illegalized migrants and refugees to include a debate on a living wage.

Reports on RCIS research activities can be found in the *RCIS Working Paper Series* and *RCIS Research Briefs*:
www.ryerson.ca/rcis/publications



BUILDING THE CARFMS/ACERMF ORTT & PF WEBSITE THROUGH EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION ASSIGNMENTS

The CARFMS/ACERMF Online Research and Teaching Tools and Practitioners Forum (ORTT & PF) is now being actively employed by instructors and students who are teaching in the field of refugee and forced migration studies. The principal purposes and objectives of CARFMS/ACERMF is “to promote and to support excellence in Canadian research and teaching of refugee and forced migration issues” and “to actively facilitate the dissemination of refugee and forced migration knowledge.” (Article 3.1 and 3.3 of CARFMS/ACERMF’s Bylaws).

The ORTT & PF, found at <http://rfmsot.apps01.yorku.ca>,

is helping to fulfill these main purposes and objectives of CARFMS/ACERMF. This is not only evident from the number of visits to this innovative online resource and through anecdotal evidence but also through the growing number of instructors who are beginning to use the ORTT & PF as an experiential education (EE) assignment in their courses.

The CARFMS/ACERMF ORTT & PF is an ongoing research project that involves a number of international collaborative partners, many of whom have used this online resource in their teaching at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. The reaction of students who have been

introduced to this website and who have used it in their learning have provided overwhelmingly positive feedback. Some instructors have even included the ORTT & PF in their course assignments and at the same time have used the students’ work, with their consent and permission, to contribute to the ongoing development of the ORTT & PF.

These types of course assignments are prototypical EE assignments. They provide students with an opportunity to work on a ‘live’, ongoing, international research assignment, under the direction and guidance of



BUILDING THE CARFMS/ACERMF ORTT & PF WEBSITE THROUGH EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION ASSIGNMENTS

their course instructor, while also contributing to the development of the ORTT & PF website. Students find these types of assignments to be more stimulating than the more typical abstract assignments. It also provides students with a sense of accomplishment and satisfaction knowing that their work is contributing to the dissemination of knowledge and understanding in the very field that they are studying.

These EE assignments call on students to select two terms, concepts or theoretical frameworks that are found on the ORTT & PF website, or to come up with their own, and to use the template that is found on the website to complete their EE assignment. The template incorporates the following six categories:

1. DEFINITIONS
2. EXAMPLES AND/OR ILLUSTRATIONS
3. OTHER USEFUL SOURCES
4. BIBLIOGRAPHY
5. CASE LAW, IF RELEVANT
6. OTHER RELATED TERMS

The EE assignment also stipulates how many definitions, examples and/or illustrations, other useful sources, and so on, to include under each of these categories. Students cannot select the same terms, concepts or theoretical frameworks. Once the EE assignments are completed and submitted to the instructor, they are carefully scrutinized and assessed by the instructor and graded. Students are then invited to revise their EE assignments, as directed by the instructor, for resubmission to the instructor who then makes the final determination as to whether the student's work has met the standards for the ORTT & PF website. Those students whose EE assignment are accepted for inclusion on the website are required to complete a consent form allowing the ORTT & PF website and researchers to post the work in the appropriate section of the website where the students' work is duly acknowledged.

These types of EE assignments not only allow the students to gain in-depth knowledge and understanding of a number of key concepts in refugee

and forced migration studies but also to make a meaningful contribution to the ongoing development of the CARFMS/ACERMF ORTT & PF online resource for all those working in this field.

For those who may be interested in seeing copies of these EE course assignments and the student consent forms, please contact Professor Idil Atak, Department of Criminology, Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, at idil.atak@ryerson.ca



UPCOMING EVENTS



MAY 2015

April 30-May 1, 2015. 10th Anniversary celebration, The Master of Arts in Immigration and Settlement Studies. Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

The Master of Arts in Immigration and Settlement Studies at Ryerson University will celebrate its 10th Anniversary on April 30-May 1, 2015, with scholarly and cultural program and a gala event for its students, faculty and community supporters. The program explores immigration trends, policies and programs in Canada from multi-disciplinary perspectives. It offers full-time (12 months) and part-time (24 months) options, designed to cater to the needs of both research- and professionally-oriented students and is conducted in a multi-disciplinary environment preparing graduates for careers in community, government and private positions, as well as further academic pursuits. More information: www.ryerson.ca/graduate/program/immigration/

May 4-8, 2015. "Summer Course on Refugee and Forced Migration Issues". The Centre for Refugee Studies, York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

The Centre for Refugee Studies at York University will be hosting its 2015 Summer Course on Refugees and Forced Migration from May 4-8, 2015. The Summer Course is an internationally acclaimed, non-credit course for academic and field-based practitioners working in the area of forced migration. Through attending lectures and related small group sessions, course participants develop a deepened understanding of the political, economic, social and cultural contexts of forced migration, and the major state and non-state institutions involved in refugee protection and advocacy, as well as actors involved in migration management. Participants will have an opportunity during the course for structured networking and idea collaboration. All participants who complete the full course receive a York University Centre for Refugee Studies Summer Course Certificate. Application deadline is April 1, 2015. For more information, or to apply, please visit: <http://crs.yorku.ca/summer>

The Centre for Refugee Studies CRS annual Howard Adelman Lecture will be

held this year on May 4th, 2015 at 5:00PM. We are pleased to announce that this year's invited speaker is esteemed scholar Dr. Liisa H. Malkki (Department of Anthropology, Stanford University). Dr. Malkki will be presenting on her most recent book-length project, 'The Need To Help: The Domestic Arts of International Humanism'. This event is free and open to the public! Stay tuned for more details.

JUNE 2015

June 4-6, 2015 the North American Refugee Health Conference: Health Means the World to Us, Toronto

From its humble beginnings, the North American Refugee Health Conference (NARHC), has expanded to become one of the largest clinical conferences on refugee health globally. Our scope has broadened to include local and international refugee issues. Health professionals and experts from many disciplines, will meet to discuss the best health practices, challenges for optimal care, research and advocacy for the refugee patient population both pre and post migration. The latest research on refugee health issues will be profiled as both novices and experts share ideas with local and international colleagues.

For more information, please visit: www.northamericanrefugeehealth.com

Refuge

UPDATE

Nov. 2014. *Refuge: Canada's Journal on Refugees* published its latest general issue.

In November 2014, *Refuge: Canada's Journal on Refugees* published its latest general issue. This issue featured a collection of papers from emerging and established scholars in Canada and internationally on a range of topics, including some which were presented at previous CARFMS conferences. A special issue on Homemaking in Limbo will be published in March. *Refuge* will be present at the CARFMS annual conference at Ryerson in May to solicit contributions from prospective authors, reviewers and book reviewers."



BECOME A MEMBER

Why join CARFMS?

Participate in a community of scholars, researchers, advocates, policy-makers and NGOs working on issues of forced migration and refugees.

Find out about job opportunities, lectures, conferences, publications and other important information through our listserv, forums, and publications.

Discover others who are active in your area of research or policy advocacy through our online database of members.

Share your research with other academics, advocates and the NGO community on our online forums or at our annual conference.

CARFMS is an independent, interdisciplinary association run by its membership and dedicated to the advancement of refugee and forced migration studies.

Participate in the annual conference.

For more information, visit our website:
<http://carfms.org/membership/>

Membership Categories

CATEGORY	ONE YEAR	TWO YEARS
Regular – Independent Researchers and Individuals from/representing Government and Policy-Making Institutions	\$125	\$220
Regular – Student, Postdoc, Low Income Researcher	\$40	\$60
Regular – Individuals from NGOs/Reps/advocates of “Refugee” groups	\$50	\$75
Affiliate – Institutional Membership (Regular)	\$300	\$550
Affiliate – Institutional Membership (Non-profit)	\$150	\$250



DEVENIR MEMBRE

Pourquoi rejoindre l'ACERMF ?

Pour faire partie d'une communauté d'universitaires, de chercheurs, d'avocats, de représentants gouvernementaux et non gouvernementaux travaillant sur des questions de migrations forcées et d'asile.

Pour être tenu au courant d'offres d'emploi, de présentations, de conférences, de publications, et d'autres informations importantes, à travers notre liste d'envoi, nos forums en ligne et les publications de ses membres.

Pour faire la connaissance d'autres personnes actives dans vos champs de recherche ou de pratique, en utilisant la base de données en ligne réservée aux membres de l'Association.

Pour partager vos recherches et pour discuter de ces dernières avec d'autres universitaires, avocats, décideurs politiques et membres d'ONG, en utilisant nos forums en ligne, ou en personne lors de notre conférence annuelle.

Parce que l'Association, qui est indépendante, multidisciplinaire et fonctionne uniquement grâce à ses membres, est dédiée à l'avancement des études sur l'asile et les migrations forcées;

Pour participer à la conférence annuelle.

Pour plus d'information ou pour nous rejoindre, visitez notre site internet :

<http://carfms.org/membership/?lang=fr>

Catégories de Membres

CATÉGORIE	UN AN	DEUX ANS
Régulier – Chercheurs indépendants et membres du gouvernement, ou représentant le gouvernement et d'autres institutions responsables d'élaborer des politiques	\$125	\$220
Régulier – Étudiants, Post-docs, chercheurs à faibles revenus	\$40	\$60
Régulier – Membres d'ONG/Représentants ou défenseurs de groupes de « réfugiés »	\$50	\$75
Affiliés – membres institutionnels (régulier)	\$300	\$550
Affiliés – membres institutionnels (à but non lucratif)	\$150	\$250



VISIT TORONTO

Toronto is one of the most accessible cities in North America. We are only a one hour drive away for about five million Canadians and within a 90-minute flight for 60 per cent of the U.S. population.

Once you arrive in Toronto, the city is easy to navigate with a strong grid street layout, one of the most extensive public transit systems in North America and a large number of attractions concentrated in a walkable downtown.

Toronto Visitor Map

Toronto Events:

- [Toronto.com Events](#)
- [Tourism Toronto Annual Festivals & Events](#)

Toronto Transit

Toronto Tourism Districts:

- [Bloor Yorkille](#)
- [Downtown Yonge](#)
- [Chinatown](#)
- [The Waterfront](#)
- [The Financial District](#)
- [The Entertainment District](#)
- [Old Town & the St. Lawrence Market](#)



CARFMS WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER DESIGNER
Sanja Begic, York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION FOR REFUGEE AND FORCED MIGRATION STUDIES
ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE DES ÉTUDES SUR LES RÉFUGIÉS ET LA MIGRATION FORCÉE

For more information visit/ Pour plus d'information visitez: www.carfms.org