



Workshop on Forced Migration and Economic Legacies

Department of Economy and Society, University of Gothenburg

6–7 May 2026

Program

Location: Room A243 Viktoriagatan 13, 411 25 Gothenburg

Day 1 - 6 May 2026

09:15 – 09:30 Welcome & opening remarks

Session 1 - 09:30-10:45

“The intergenerational effects of forced migration on human capital and personality traits”, Dominik Hangartner (ETH Zurich), **Ilona Lahdelma (University Carlos III of Madrid)**, Maarit Olkkola (VATT Institute for Economic Research) and Matti Sarvimäki (Aalto University)

“The Forced Melting Pot: Temporary Migration and International Cooperation”, Ann-Kristin Becker (University of Cologne) and **Carola Stapper (Johannes Kepler University Linz)**

10:45 – 11:15 Coffee Break

Session 2 - 11:15-12:30

“Hunger-Driven Emigration: Evidence From Venezuela”, **Alejandro Arciniegas Herrera (University Paris 1 Pantheon-Sorbonne)**

“Forced Migration and Regional Development: Evidence from Serbian Displacement During the Balkan Wars (1991-2022)”, Tancredi Buscemi (LUMSA Palermo), **Luka Miladinovic (University of Gothenburg)**, Anna Missiaia (University of Gothenburg)

12:30 – 13:45

Lunch at Mat; FRUKOST & FIKA; Viktoriagatan 18, 411 25 Göteborg

Session 3 - 13:45 – 14:30

“The costs of coming home? Repatriation and infectious diseases in postwar Japan”, Wataru Kureishi (Tokyo Metropolitan University), Midori Wakabayashi (Tohoku University) **and David Zuchowski (University of Valencia)**

14:30 – 15:00 Coffee Break

Session 4 (Keynote) 15:00 – 16:15

“America’s Hidden Legacy of Racial and Ethnic Expulsions” **Andreas Ferrara (University of Pittsburgh)**

19:00 Dinner at Sjöbaren, Haga Nygata 25, 413 01 Göteborg

Day 2 - 7 May 2026

Session 5 - 9:15 – 10:30

“Forced Migration and Industry Diffusion: Evidence from Germany after 1945”, Sebastian Braun (University of Bayreuth), **Richard Franke (University of Cologne)** and Andreas Lichter (TU Dortmund)

“Civil War and Migration: A long-term view over the past two centuries”, **Melissa Erdogan (University of Tübingen)**, Joerg Baten (University of Tuebingen, CEPR and CESifo), Gernot Mueller (University of Tuebingen, CEPR and CESifo) and Willi Mutschler (University of Tuebingen)

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

Session 6 - 11:00-11:45

“Crossed by the Iron Curtain: the economic consequences of forced migrations between Italy and Yugoslavia (1945-1954)”, Tancredi Buscemi (LUMSA Palermo), **Luka Miladinovic (University of Gothenburg)**, Anna Missiaia (University of Gothenburg)

11:45 – 12:00 Closing Remarks

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