



MIGRATION DRC TRAINING DAY
RETURN MIGRATION: POLICY OPTIONS AND POLICY EFFECTS

Tues January 13th,
William Sangster Room, Central Hall, London SW1

This day is designed to give those working on migration who are involved with, or affected by policies on return, a chance to take a look at return migration from different perspectives and to learn about current academic approaches and thinking. Each session will give participants the chance to hear new findings from research, share experiences with colleagues from different ministries and organisations, and participate in roundtable activities designed to stimulate thinking on this issue. The day is led by Richard Black, director of the Migration DRC and each session will be introduced by academics with experience of drawing out aspects of their work which directly address the questions currently facing policymakers.

REGISTRATION - 9.30-10.00

SESSION 1 10.00-11.15:

Return Migration: The Development Context

Including:

- Different types of return migration
- What is meant by 'Sustainable Return'
- Research evidence on the sustainability of return
- Group exercise

RICHARD BLACK - Sussex Centre for Migration Research

11.15-11.45: Tea/Coffee

SESSION 2 11.45-13.00:

Impacts of Return: A country case study - Jamaica

Including:

- What makes illegal migrants volunteer to return?
- What is known about the impact of returning foreign national prisoners?
- Group exercise

MARGARET BYRON - Kings College London

13.00-14.00: Lunch

SESSION 3 14.00-15.15:

Management and Reintegration of Return Migrants: The Role of Return Programmes

Including:

- Lessons learned from historical examples of return schemes
- What is the role of packages of support?

- Do packages of support offered to promote voluntary return of illegal migrants contribute to development?
- Group exercise

MIKE COLLYER – Sussex Centre for Migration Research

15.15-15.45: Tea/Coffee

SESSION 4 15.45-17.00: **Transnational Lives: Beyond Return**

Including:

- Why is transnationalism a more useful way of looking at migrant experiences than 'return'?
- Looking at the dynamics of diasporas
- Group exercise

KAVERI HARRISS/FILIPPO OSELLA - Sussex Centre for Migration Research

17.00-17.30: Final Activity and Closing Remarks

RICHARD BLACK - Sussex Centre for Migration Research