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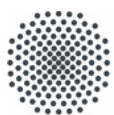


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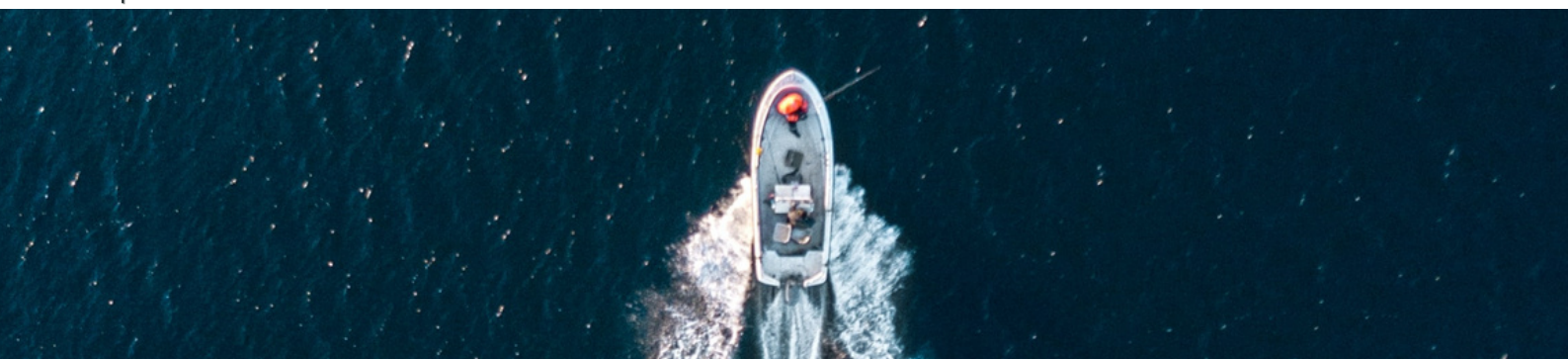
SAFEGUARDING THE RIGHT TO INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION

The PROTECT Final Conference will mark the culmination of a major international research project to understand the impact and potential of the Global Compact on Refugees and the Global Compact on Migration on the refugee and asylum policies of the European Union, Canada and South Africa.

The operation of the principle of international protection has been one of the most significant challenges in the international system in recent years, with the volume of forced and involuntary migration reaching unprecedented levels and affecting many parts of the world that did not have to consider how they dealt with refugees and those claiming asylum. The conclusion of the Global Compacts had been seen as part of the international response to this challenge, recognising the need for the rights and responsibilities of all involved – individuals, states and civil society – to be properly taken account of, in order to produce more resilient and effective solutions.

With world-leading keynote practitioner and academic speakers - like Natasha Bertaud (EU Commission), Catherine Woollard (ECRE), Madeline Garlick (UNHCR), Cathryn Costello (University of Oxford, Hertie School), T. Alexander Aleinikoff (New School for Social Research) etc. - as well as practically-oriented roundtables, the PROTECT Final Conference will consider whether the Compacts' potential has been realised and how we might best move towards a more effective and legitimate system of international protection. Insights from PROTECT researchers working on the politics, law, public opinion and public discourse of protection will be brought together with figures from international organisations, states and NGOs to debate the social, policy and legal implications.

PROTECT's work has stressed the need for holistic approaches to these questions, with partnerships not only providing support for those working to implement effective international protection but also laying the groundwork for a wider and deeper shift in the **norms, institutions, procedures** and **public attitudes** that will be essential in the longer-term if the realisation of the Compacts is to be secured.



DAY 1 - INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION AS A SOCIAL VALUE PROGRAM

6TH MARCH

08.30 – 09.00 *Registration*

09.00 – 09.45 **Lost in Migration. Which policies are needed to safeguard the international protection system?** Hakan G. Sicakkan, *Chair of the PROTECT Consortium, University of Bergen*

09.45 – 10.30 **Firefighters and architects: meeting daily challenges whilst renewing the EU's asylum framework** Natasha Bertaud, *Deputy Head of the Cabinet of Vice-President Margaritis Schinas*

10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee Break*

11.00 – 12.00 **Keynote - Law v. politics: Europe's role in protection of the global protection system** Cathrine Wollard, *Director of the European Council on Refugees and Exiles*

12.00 - 13.15 *Lunch Break*

13.15 – 14.45 **Roundtable: Do citizens support international protection?** Moderator: Cornelius Cappelen, *University of Bergen*
Tobias Heidland, *Kiel Institute for the World Economy*
Pierre Van Wollegheem, *University of Bergen*
Violeta Wagner, *International Centre for Migration Policy Development*

14.45 – 15.30 *Coffee Break*

15.30 – 17.00 **Roundtable: International protection as a topic in traditional and social media** Moderator: Sara Hanke, *University of Stuttgart*
Deniz Duru, *Lund University*
Anamaria Dutceac-Segesten, *Lund University*
Boris Mance, *University of Ljubljana*
David Ongenaert, *Erasmus Rotterdam University*



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DAY 2 - INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION AS A POLICY IMPERATIVE PROGRAM

7TH MARCH

08.30 – 09.00 *Registration*

09.00 – 10.30 **Roundtable: How effective is policy?**

Moderator: Frank Caestecker,
University of Ghent

Nick Gill, *University of Exeter*
Jeroen Jans, *Head of Asylum Processes Sector, EUAA*
Francesca Longo, *University of Catania*
Pierre Van Wolleghe, *University of Bergen*

10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee Break*

11.00 – 12.30 **Roundtable: Protection at the border zones**

Moderator: Christine M. Jacobsen,
University of Bergen

Idil Atak, *Toronto Metropolitan University*
Alieu Jalloh, *Association of PADA Users*
Marry-Anne Karlsen, *University of Bergen*
Luc LeBeouf, *Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology*

12.30 - 13.30 *Lunch Break*

13.30 – 14.30 **Keynote - Committing to international protection: expectations of the Global Forum on Refugees**

Madeline Garlick,
*Chief of Protection
Policy and Legal Advice
Section, UNHCR*

14.30 – 15.15 *Coffee Break*

15.15 – 16.45 **Roundtable: Civil society as a motor of protection**

Moderator: Stefania Panebianco,
University of Catania

Brian Dikoff, *Migrant Organise*
Charlotte Khan, *Care4Calais*
Jean-Baptiste Metz, *A Drop in the Ocean*
Simon Usherwood, *The Open University*



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DAY 3 - INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION AS A LEGAL RIGHT PROGRAM

8TH MARCH

08.30 – 09.00 *Registration*

09.00 – 09.45 **Keynote - Implementing International Protection** Cathryn Costello,
University of Oxford / Hertie School of Governance

09.45 – 11.15 **Roundtable: The Global Compacts and the International Protection Regime** Moderator: Idil Atak,
Toronto Metropolitan University
Lena Donner, *Advisor on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs, Greens/EFA in the European Parliament*
Maja Grundler, *Royal Holloway, University of London*
Stefan Maier, *Head of Policy and Legal Support Unit, UNHCR*

11.15 – 11.30 *Coffee Break*

11.30 – 13.00 **Roundtable: The Global Compacts and Global Migration Governance** Moderator: Jurgen Bast,
University of Giessen
Younous Arbaoui, *Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam*
Pauline Endres de Oliveira, *University of Giessen*
Rachid L'Aoufir, *Transnational Corridors e.V.*

13.00 – 14.00 *Lunch Break*

14.00 – 14.45 **Keynote - Protecting the Unprotected: Do the Compacts Provide a Path?** T. Alexander Aleinikoff,
The New School for Social Research

14.45 – 15.00 *Coffee Break*

15.00 – 16.30 **Final Roundtable: How to make Protection work** Moderator: Francesca Longo,
University of Catania
T. Alex Aleinikoff, *The New School for Social Research*
Sergio Carrera, *Centre for European Policy Studies*
Maja Grundler, *Royal Holloway, University of London*
Nicholas Maple, *University of London*
Hakan G. Sicakkan, *University of Bergen*

16.30 – 17.00 **Closing remarks** Leiv Marsteintredet, *UiB Chair of Comparative Politics Department*
Hakan G. Sicakkan, *Scientific Coordinator PROTECT*
Simon Usherwood, *Leader of the organizing committee PROTECT*



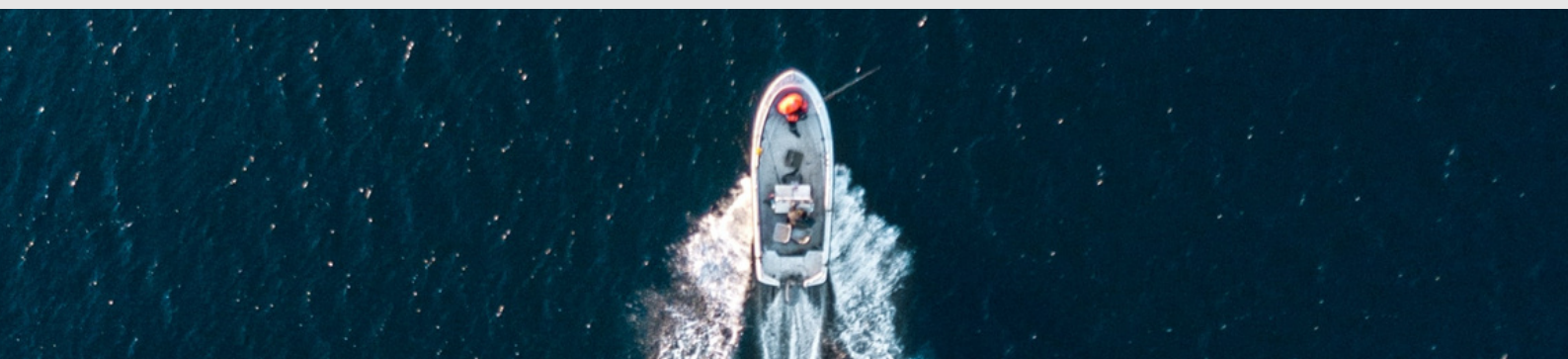
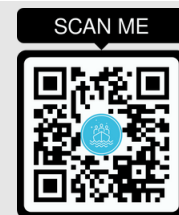
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Publications and policy briefs

PROTECT has been publishing its research findings in the form of working papers and preprints. Currently, we have more than 30 of these - with more on the way! - that are publicly available. They focus mainly on the global governance of international protection, on the recognition of the right to international protection, as well as on theoretical and conceptual approaches,

Additionally, we inform decision-makers on how to humanize refugee and asylum policies through our policy briefs.





Last-minute changes to the program might occur.



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