

URBAN POLICIES AND PRACTICES ADDRESSING INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION

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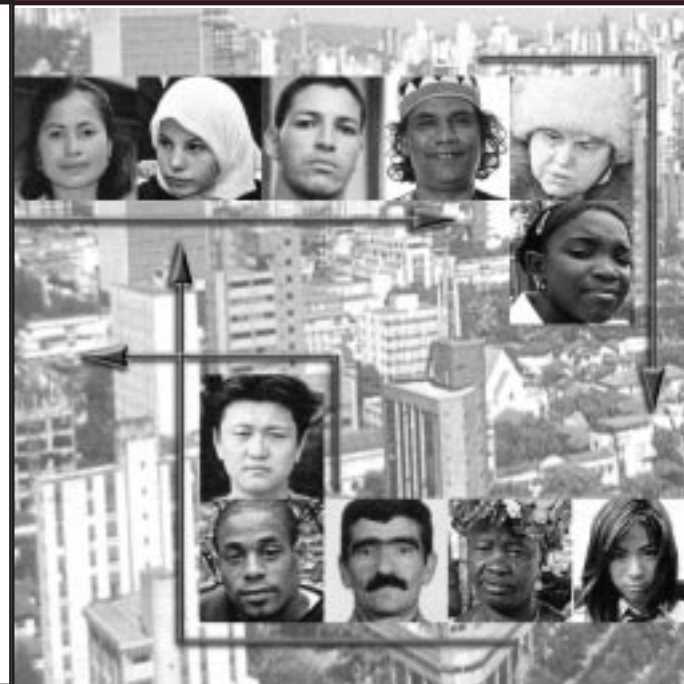
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One of the new challenges globalisation raises to urban management is the increasing number of international migrants moving to cities of developing countries and their impact on urban governance. Although there is growing perception that urban cultural diversity is a desirable outcome of globalization, most international migrants add to the low-income population and are particularly affected by urban exclusion. Furthermore, local governments in developing countries are seldom prepared to cope with the ad hoc policies needed to integrate people with different cultural, social and religious traditions into the urban society. Such policies should aim to encourage mobility and temporary vs. permanent migration, strengthen civic identity, deal with the cultural differences and the resulting discriminatory reactions from local residents, promote participation and representation, and fight the social and economic exclusion that often expose migrants to illegal activities contributing to raising urban violence.

In this context, the Università IUAV di Venezia, in collaboration with UN-HABITAT, is carrying out an international research project on Urban policies addressing transnational migration with the aim to help developing strategies to promote positive values of urban citizenship. Based on a comparative analysis of case studies, the research is investigating issues, policies and instruments geared to the integration of transnational migrants, in a selected range of cities with different social and economic characteristics.

CASE STUDIES

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