



Exploring the Interface between Human Trafficking, “Modern Slavery” and Asylum

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By the end of 2019, close to 80 million people were recorded as being forcibly displaced across the globe. Human trafficking and “modern slavery” are routinely treated as exceptional phenomena, requiring new policy, bespoke criminal enforcement, unique technological interventions and widespread public awareness. Much of this response ignores the intersection between forced migration and processes of exploitation in destination countries.

We are interested in papers which respond to the question of how these distinct areas are related, what can be said about the binary positions of “forced” and “voluntary” migration in these areas, and that consider how the agency of people migrating sits within these debates and what are the structural, contextual and socio-ecological positions issues at play. Papers might also address how the development of the Global Compacts on Refugees and Migrants and the Sustainable Development Goals relate to this interface.





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