

6th International Seminar: Migration, Agriculture, Food and Sustainable Development: Africa and Europe (and beyond) facing the new challenges of globalization

Agadir, 21-23 March 2019 Ibn Zohr University – Agadir (Morocco)

Seminar Venue: Faculty of Arts and Human Sciences of Agadir, Ibn Zohr University

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<u>Abstract :</u>

After the seminars organised in Bergamo (2013), Murcia (2014), Athens (2015), Madrid (2017) and Marseille (2018), the 6th international seminar will be organised in Agadir from the 21st to the 23rd March 2019 by the Laboratory on Migrations, Spaces, Cultures and Societies of Southern Morocco in partnership with the Faculty of Arts and Human Sciences of Agadir from Ibn Zohr University, the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC), LabexMed (Marseille/France) and the Association of Researchers in Migrations and Development (ACM - Agadir /Morocco).

This scientific event is coordinated by Mohamed Bouchelkha, Ibn Zohr University (Agadir) and Yoan Molinero Gerbeau, CSIC (Spain).

This international seminar has the same spirit as the previous scientific meetings. Its objective is to deepen reflections, analyses and allow fruitful exchanges between specialists and experts on this fundamental question: how agriculture, food, labour and capital mobility are becoming a major issue for the whole planet? Indeed, agriculture and its workforce play a central role in maintaining the global system in which global chains, international migration and centre-periphery relations interact.

However, in addition to the regions of study that have been prioritized in previous seminars, this event will attempt to deepen the reflection on this issue in the African context. Indeed, agriculture in this latter part of the world is facing blatant paradoxes: difficulties in meeting the food needs of its population while at the same time it supplies global markets with agricultural products, it attracts investors and large agro-industrial companies, and records increasingly impressive migrations of local populations.

Proposed Axes:

- Studies on global agricultural chains, the role of large distribution areas and the link between migratory movements and new types of production.
- Agriculture in Africa, food issues and migration.
- Working conditions in agriculture and the role of intermediaries.
- Climate change and its influence on agriculture and population movements
- Local trade, alternative or "ethical" forms of agricultural production.
- Feminised markets, gender studies or feminist perspectives on agricultural work.
- Quality governance. Quality standards and their impact on agricultural production and work





Social Activities:

The last day of the seminar (23rd March) will focus entirely on field experiences. The planned activities will be coordinated by Khalid Alaayoud, a social worker and researcher in Migrations and Development. Transport from Ibn Zohr University will be provided by the organization.

This day will include in particular:

- Visiting an original case of alternative and solidary agricultural development initiated by the local population of the Douar Touzaikou
- The case of the Douar Ait Mimoun, which is now a successful example of an integrated development initiated by the local community.
- Round tables, exchanges and debates on the contents of the seminar as well as on experiences in the field of migrations, agriculture and sustainable development.
- Group meal and cultural evening in Ait Mimoun.

Scientific Committee:

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Important Dates and Deadlines:

Abstracts of no more than 500 words should be sent to Mohamed Bouchelka (<u>bouchmoh1@yahoo.fr</u>) and Yoan Molinero (<u>yoan.molinero@cchs.csic.es</u>) by the 14th December 2018.

Notification of acceptance will be sent by January 11th, 2019.

Once proposals will be accepted an email with accommodation recommendations and practical information on how to get to the seminar venue will be sent.