

(Some) Ethics of Migration

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Global migration in figures

- International migrants: 244 million in 2015, up from 173 million in 2000.
 - About 3% of the world population are international migrants.
 - “international migrant”: a person living in a country other than the country in which they were born
- More than 40 million internally forcibly displaced persons.
- More than 24 million international refugees.

“International migration and development” Report of the Secretary-General, 4 August 2016

International migration in society

- Australia and New Zealand: 21%
- North America: 15%
- Europe: 10%

Labour migration

- 2015: Officially recorded remittances: USD 430 billion
 - This is a multiple of official development aid (USD 132 billion).
- But: brain drain: loss of expertise and talent from already deprived regions.

Outline of lectures

- Week 5 Arguments for the right of citizens to control immigration
- Week 7 Arguments against the right of citizens to control immigration
- Week 8 Labour migration: Temporary labour migration, brain drain, exploitation
- Week 9 Refugees
- Week 10 Conclusion of module: Climate refugees