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## Policy Workshop on Migration and Transnationalism

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The objective of the workshop is to present research results to respond better to policy makers needs in the field of migration. Migration in fact should not only be seen as a one-way flow from Third Countries to Europe. Return migration, circulation and transnational practices are significant and must be understood in order to design better migration policy. The workshop will tackle policy implications of new forms of transnational life-styles, and the effects of migration across national boundaries.

The incorporation/exclusion of migrants in the German-Turkish transnational space will be introduced as an example of current challenges for migration and integration policies, whilst the experiences of Senegalese migrants and their families in Europe and after return will be explored. Data on the characteristics and behaviour of migrants from Sub-Saharan countries to Europe will also be presented.

### Policy Workshop Programme

- 13.30-14.00 Registration and coffee
- 14.00-14.15 Opening  
DG Research and Innovation, DG Home Affairs
- 14.15-14.45 Project TRANS-NET (Transnationalisation, Migration and Transformation: multilevel analysis of migrant Transnationalism)  
**New forms of transnational life-styles as a challenge for migration policies**, Professor Pirkko Pitkänen, University of Tampere, Finland (Project Coordinator)  
**Migrant incorporation/exclusion in the German-Turkish transnational space**, Professor Ahmet Icduygu, Koc University, Turkey
- 14.45-15.15 Project MAFE (Migration between Africa and Europe)  
**Migration between Africa and Europe**, Cris Beauchemin, Institut National d'Etudes Démographiques, France (Project Coordinator)  
**Migration as an Opportunity and Challenge for European Policymakers – Family Effects**, Richard Black, University of Sussex
- 15.15-16.30 Discussion
- Topic 1: What is the role of diasporic communities in the contemporary world?
- Topic 2: When migrants adopt transnational strategies, instead of return or integration, what are the policy implications?
- Topic 3: What are the main policy concerns around family reunification? What additional research is needed?
- 16.30-17.00 Closing remarks