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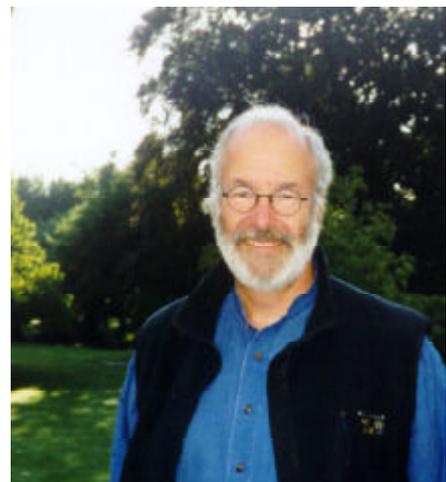
Director's Foreword

The heightening of interest surrounding any academic subject can often be inferred from the number of conferences newly convened around it. This has certainly been the case over the last couple of years surrounding transnationalism and transnational communities. Across a variety of academic disciplines, seminars and conferences on these themes have proliferated. Within longstanding conference formats, too, these have also gained a significance place: at this year's 98th meeting of the American Anthropological Association in Chicago, for instance, there were no less than seven sessions devoted specifically to transnational themes. Over two dozen conferences and workshops concerning transnationalism and transnational communities are currently described and hyper-linked on the ESRC Transnational Communities Research Programme website (www.transcomm.ox.ac.uk).

The Research Programme, its participants and collaborators have also been highly active in recent months organizing a number of conferences and workshops. Not least, the Programme's own second annual conference was held at the University of Sussex in September 1999. Richard Black (Sussex), Nadjie Al-Ali (Sussex) and Khalid Koser (UCL) did a superb job organizing the conference under the rubric 'New Approaches to Migration: Transnational Communities and the Transformation of Home.' The keynote address, entitled 'New approaches to migration and transnationalism: locating transnational practices,' was delivered by one of the foremost theorists of transnationalism today, Professor Michael Peter Smith, Professor of Community Studies at the University of California, Davis.

Along with other news and information, the current issue of the Newsletter includes descriptions of the Sussex conference and a number of other recent and forthcoming events held in conjunction with the Transnational Communities Research Programme.

Dr Steven Vertovec



Professor Michael Peter Smith,
University of California, Davis



Updates

Conference presentations (past and forthcoming)

Anderson, B. 'Europe's changing family structure and domestic worker', European Population Conference 1999, the Hague, 30 Aug - 3 Sept. EAPS

Beaverstock, J.V. 'British expatriates in global financial centres' Royal Geographical Society with the Institute of British Geographers Population Geography Research Group Conference on Cross-National Population Analysis, The University of Leeds, Leeds, 20-21 May 1999

Beaverstock, J.V. 'Embedment and Knowledge Production: Expatriate workers in international financial centres' International Symposium on Knowledge, Education and Space, Villa Bosch, The University of Heidelberg, Heidelberg, 18-27 September 1999

Beaverstock, J.V. and Boardwell, J.T. 'Transient professional migration in Europe's leading international financial centres during the 1990s', Royal Geographical Society - Institute of British Geographers Annual Conference, University of Sussex, Brighton, 4-7 January 2000

Brandt, B. 'Agents of Change: Young Berliners of Turkish Origin and the Politics of Citizenship', Bristol University international conference entitled 'Nationalism, Identity and Minority Rights', 16-19 September 1999

Østergaard-Nielsen, E. 'Diasporas as non-state actors in World Politics' paper for workshop on 'Non-state Actors in World Politics, London School of Economics, 27-28 September 1999

Østergaard-Nielsen, E. 'Homeland political strategies of Turks and Kurds in Germany' paper for the ESRC Transnational Communities Programme Annual Conference, 'New Approaches to Migration', University of Sussex, 21-22 September 1999

Phizacklea, A. 'Women, work and migration', Migration and Mobility Conference, Kingston University, April 1999

Phizacklea, A. 'Globalisation, gender and migration', 12th

Women's Studies Network Conference, Warwick University, July 1999

Whitley, R. 'How and Why are International Firms Different?', ESRI Thematic Research Workshop on Economic Actors, National Systems and International Contexts, Gilleleje, Denmark, September 1999

Whitley, R. 'The Institutional Structuring of Business Transactions', Conference of The Legal Culture of Global Business Transactions held at the International Institute for the Sociology of Law, Onati, Spain, June 1999

Whitley, R. 'The Institutional Structuring of Innovation Patterns', Conference on National Systems of Innovation and the Idea-Innovation Chain, NIAS, January 1999

Yemelianova, G. 'The Conflict between "Universal" or "Pure" and "Ethnic" Islam in post-Soviet Dagestan', 25th EUROFOR conference on 'The Role of Religions, especially Islam, in the Process of the Social Marginalisation of Ethnic Minorities', London, UK, 8-11 October 1998

Yemelianova, G. 'The role of Islam in Self-Determination of Muslims in post-Soviet Russia', A Multi-Disciplinary Conference 'Ten Years After the Fall of Berlin Wall: Contemporary Change in Central and Eastern European Studies', University of Nottingham, 29-30 October 1999

Yemelianova, G. 'Islam and Power in Tatarstan', the roundtable on 'The Private and Public Faces of Islam in the Russian Federation', accepted for AAASS Convention, St Louis, Missouri, 18-21 November 1999

Yemelianova, G. 'Ethnic, Radicalism, Islamic Fundamentalism and Regional Politics in Russia's Caucasus', accepted for EUROFOR International Conference, Jerusalem, 20-23 January 2000

Yemelianova, G. 'Ethnic Dimension of Islam in Tatarstan', the panel on "Ethnic" and "Universal" Islams in the Islamic Regions of Eurasia', accepted for VI ICCEES World Congress, Tampere, 29 July - 3 August, 2000

Relocation of projects

From 1st October 1999 Professor Kevin Robins will be located in the Department of Media and Communication Studies at Goldsmith College, London.

Professor Gregor Benton has left Leeds to become a Professorial Fellow in the School of History and Archaeology, University of Wales, Cardiff.

Professor Annie Phizacklea and Dr Bridget Anderson have moved from Leicester to the Department of Sociology, University of Warwick

Forthcoming Conferences

Conceiving Cosmopolitanism: Politics in Transnational Perspective, 27-29 April 2000, University of Warwick

A conference to explore the concept of cosmopolitanism has been organised with the collaboration of the ESRC Transnational Communities Programme, the University of Warwick and the 'Re-inventing Britain' project of the British Council and the Arts Council of England. It will provide a unique venue for some of the field's foremost writers to exchange views on topics such as the historical vicissitudes of 'cosmopolitanism', the political representation of multiple identities, the meanings and ramifications of dual citizenship, new modes of coalition-building, the reconciliation of patriotism with heterogeneity, and the creation of institutions for transnational governance.

The organizers very much regret that there are no further places available for the conference at the time printing. However, we may have some late cancellations so if you are interested in being placed on our waiting list please email Anna Winton, anna.winton@anthro.ox.ac.uk, with your name affiliation and describing your interest in cosmopolitanism. Abstracts will be posted on the website.

Culture and Economy in the Indian Diaspora, India International Centre, New Delhi, 8-10 April 2000

The purpose of this conference is to provide a comprehensive analysis of the subject by examining the crucial relationship between culture and economy in the Indian diaspora over time. This relationship will be examined by focusing on countries of Indian diaspora settlement and undertaking comparative evaluation of some common themes.

This conference will review the Indian diaspora in the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Western Europe, East Africa, South Africa, South America, the West Indies, South Asia, South-East Asia and

the Far East, Australasia, assessing demography, economic change, culture and future development. Each review will identify the core elements in the country-wide relationship with particular emphasis on how Indian diaspora culture has influenced economic development and vice versa.

In addition, the conference will address some broad comparative themes within the diaspora that build on and further extend the country case-studies. These will attempt to: define and identify the principal elements of the relationship between economy and culture; define the general meaning and significance of culture in the Indian diaspora; understand the new patterns of networking among established and emerging diaspora communities; examine new patterns of identity among Indian diaspora youth; and explore the consequences of the Indian "brain drain".

The overall aim of the conference, therefore, is to establish a firm empirical foundation for the future study of the Indian diaspora. Such a foundation is necessary in order to engage in more systematic theorization and comparative analysis.

Transnational Communities in the Asia- Pacific Region: Comparative Perspectives, 7-8 August 2000, National University of Singapore

The Centre for Advanced Studies, National University of Singapore and the Transnational Communities Programme are pleased to announce this forthcoming conference, the main aim of which is to examine the dynamics involved in the construction of various transnational communities against the rich and diverse socio-cultural canvas of the Asia-Pacific. In doing so, the conference would give attention to the links between 'home' and 'away' and the construction of self/other divides differentiating these communities from wider societies in which they are located. Comparison across different communities would give us a broad-based understanding of the dynamics involved. Some of these communities include Chinese, Indian, Filipino, Vietnamese, Indonesian and Singaporean transnational communities as well as American and European 'expat' communities in Asia.

For more information about any of the above conferences contact Anna Winton, Programme Administrator (contact details on last page) or see our website, www.transcomm.ox.ac.uk.

Profile

Dr Sarah Radcliffe, University of Cambridge

Sarah Radcliffe is currently Lecturer in Latin American Geography, at the Department of Geography, University of Cambridge. After graduating in Geography and Anthropology at University College London in 1982, she moved to Liverpool (1983-86) for a PhD research on rural development in Peru.

Post-doctoral research work at the University of Liverpool and at the Centre of Latin American Studies, University of Cambridge followed, focusing on gender and Andean peasant confederations, and feminist and postcolonial geography. She taught at Royal Holloway, University of London before moving to her current post.



Dr Sarah Radcliffe

For several years, she has been concerned with issues of political cultures, social divisions and

identity in Andean Latin America, whether in terms of rural communities, the Ecuadorian nation-state and its politics and imagery or in terms of feminist questions about racial and cultural difference. Work arising out of these interests is published in *Viva: women and popular protest in Latin America* (Routledge, 1993, edited with S. Westwood) and *Remaking the nation: place, politics and identity in Latin America* (Routledge, 1996, co-authored with S. Westwood). Sarah Radcliffe's recent research on the nationalisms and national identities in contemporary Ecuador examines the expressed national identities of different social groups. From elites in the capital city, to shanty-town black populations, to the rural indigenous groups, expressions of national sentiment and place-identity vary greatly. Her research project in the ESRC Transnational Communities programme on the transnational indigenous movement of Ecuador and Bolivia extends and develops some of the latter research.

Other recent publications include chapters about Latin America's social movements, and the state; on development alternatives, and journal articles in various geographical and Latin American studies journals.

Professor Jeffrey Henderson, Manchester Business School

Jeffrey Henderson was born and raised in Northern England and studied sociology and politics at the Universities of Birmingham, California at Santa Barbara, Leeds and Warwick. He returned to Birmingham in 1977 where he was a Research Fellow in Urban and Regional Studies. In 1981 he moved to the University of Hong Kong and remained there until 1991 by which time he had been promoted to Reader in Sociology and Urban Studies. Having held a visiting appointment at the University of Manchester since 1989, he has had permanent posts there since 1992 and is currently Professor of International Economic Sociology in the Manchester Business School.

In addition to these posts, Jeffrey Henderson has held Visiting Professorships or Fellowships at the Universities of California (Berkeley, Santa

Barbara and Santa Cruz), Melbourne, New England, Lodz, Glasgow, Leeds and Warwick and has delivered lectures at universities in China, Singapore, Australia, the United States, Egypt, Hungary, Slovenia and Poland, as well as Britain. As well as being on the programme's advisory board he has also been an advisor to various national government agencies and to the International Labour Office and the United Nations Secretariat.

Jeffrey Henderson's initial research was on aspects of race relations in Britain and the United States, though he was also an early contributor to the debates on the labour process as these began to emerge in the 1970s. Subsequently he was involved in work on urban (particularly housing) policy in Britain and Hong Kong. Since the mid 1980s his principal interests have been in the comparative analysis of economic and industrial transformation, with particular regard to East Asia and more recently, Eastern Europe. In addition, he is currently working on problems of globalisation and economic governance with particular attention to the East Asian economic crisis and its aftermath. Jeffrey Henderson's books include *Race, Class and State Housing* (Gower, 1987), *The Globalisation of High Technology Production* (Routledge, 1989), *States and Development in the Asian Pacific Rim* (Sage Publications, 1992) and *Industrial Transformation in Eastern Europe in the Light of the East Asian Experience* (Macmillan and St Martins Press, 1998). He is also founding co-editor of *Competition and Change: The Journal of Global Business and Political Economy*.

Professor Annie Phizacklea, University of Warwick

Annie Phizacklea trained as a political scientist but after six years of working in an interdisciplinary context at the Research Unit on Ethnic Relations at Bristol University in the 1970s she was transformed into what can best be described as a structural sociologist. "Intellectually the Unit was a great place to work, we bounced ideas off each other and learnt to respect the contribution that different disciplines brought to the study of migration and ethnic relations. It was during that time that I became concerned to bring a gender

transparency into a field of study that was often analytically preoccupied with either class or ethnicity. I also feel that commitment is an important element of sociological research and I find it difficult to be enthusiastic about projects which have no practical application or 'give something back'. I remain convinced after 25 years of 'doing it', that empirical sociology has a lot to offer! I like to think that the project that Bridget Anderson and myself are currently conducting combines all these elements."



Professor Annie Phizacklea

Summary of Project: Impact of legal status and children on transnational household strategies of migrant domestics

Cleaning, nannying, 'caring' - domestic work in private homes is increasingly dominated by migrant women, particularly those who are undocumented. The UK government has agreed to regularise some of these migrants as long as they register between July 1998 and October 1999. This project examines what happens to migrants as they move from being undocumented to having legal status: what new openings and difficulties does this transition make. It is particularly concerned with making visible the impact of children on the migratory project, both for those migrants with children in the UK, and those with children in their country of origin, comparing and contrasting their experiences with those of households without children. Data and interviews for the project are being obtained through close collaboration with Kalayaan, the organisation working on behalf of migrant domestic workers in the UK, and Waling Waling, an organisation of undocumented workers.

Programme Events

The Mobilisation and Participation of Transnational Exile Communities in Post-Conflict Reconstruction

To mark the half way stage in this project - coordinated by Nadjé Al-Ali, Richard Black and Khalid Koser - a one day policy workshop was held at University College London on 24 September. The project aims to analyse the contribution which transnational exile communities can make to reconstruction in their home countries, without returning permanently. It is a comparative project including Bosnian refugees in the UK and the Netherlands, and Eritrean refugees in the UK and Germany. An interim report, presenting findings from the first year of research and focusing on conditions in the host countries, formed the basis of the workshop. The workshop had three aims: first, to provide a forum for feedback on the report and research to date; second, to yield specific policy recommendation from the report, and third, to inform a policy-sensitive direction for the next stage of the research.

The workshop was attended by about thirty participants, including representatives from the Home Office, the Refugee Council and Refugee Action, as well as from the Bosnian and Eritrean communities in the UK. In addition, there were representatives from the Netherlands, Germany and Bosnia. Dr. Nicholas van Hear (Refugee Studies Programme, Oxford) was a guest speaker. The workshop was organised into two main sections. In the morning session, the interim report was presented by Drs. Al-Ali, Black and Koser, and specific issues arising from the

report were discussed. The afternoon session was organised into three discussion groups, which were asked to consider, and report on during a closing plenary, specific policy implications which arise from the report.

Copies of the interim report are available from Dr. Khalid Koser (k.koser@ucl.ac.uk).

Khalid Koser, University College London



New Approaches to Migration: Transnational Communities and the Transformation of Home

The second annual conference of the Transnational Communities Programme was hosted by the Sussex Centre for Migration Research, at the University of Sussex, between 21-22 September. The conference was attended by about fifty participants, from an international audience, of whom sixteen presented papers around the theme 'New Approaches to Migration'.

The conference was opened by Professor Robin Cohen (University of Warwick), on behalf of the Transnational Communities Programme, who located the conference theme in the context of a century of migration studies. The keynote speaker was Professor Michael Smith (University of California, Davis), who provided a critical overview of the relations between globalisation, transnationalism and international migration.

The remaining papers were organised in three themes, covering: Transnational Communities and the Meaning of 'Home', the Implications of Transforming Homes for Transnational Communities, and Transnational Communities and the Transformation of Home. Obviously such a brief review cannot do justice to the range of presen-

tations, but three characteristics about the presenters and their papers are worth highlighting. First, the paper presenters were on the whole doctoral or recent post-doctoral researchers, and in most cases from outside the Transnational Communities Programme. Second, the papers in general shared a critical perspective on the concepts of transnational communities and transnationalism. Third, the papers came from a wide range of social science disciplines, and covered a wide geographical range of case studies.

A copy of the conference programme is still available on the Transnational Communities website. Copies of specific papers can be made available to Transnational Communities Programme members - please e-mail Anna Winton. An edited collection of many of the papers presented is currently being prepared, for publication in the Routledge Transnationalism series.

Khalid Koser, University College London



**THE UNIVERSITY
OF BIRMINGHAM**

A New Politics? Representation, Mobilisation and Networks in the Information Age

Centre for Cultural Studies and Sociology (CCSS), University of Birmingham, September 16-17th, 1999.

CCSS hosted a colloquium over two days (Thursday and Friday, 16-17 September 1999) to examine a variety of issues and interests under the broad title *A New Politics? Representation, Mobilisation and Networks in the Information Age*. Participants came from a range of backgrounds,

in media, sociology, journalism, politics, cultural studies, anthropology, geography as well as environmentalism.

The colloquium owed its origins to a response to the Transnational Communities seminar programme run at Oxford University since 1998. During these series, which presented a variety of papers on matters as diverse as migration patterns since 1945 and the role of television and video in forming and maintaining identity amongst diasporic Turkish groups, it had become clear that there were important connections, both theoretical and substantive, to be made with research on information developments. It is, indeed, difficult to conceive of transnational communities without paying due attention to information flows, communications networks, and a host of related changes with which they are intimately associated (globalisation and all that). Similarly, the work of key writers, perhaps most notably Anthony Giddens, Zygmunt Bauman and especially Manuel Castells, demonstrably spans issues common to transnational communities and information age writers. By extension, concern for new social movements, media developments, cultural innovations, and changed forms of politics and political involvement demands attention.

This supplied the context for the Transnational Communities Programme to support this colloquium. The intention was to host an event which would be complementary to the central interests of the Transnational Communities Programme. The organising question was whether or not the information age was heralding new forms of politics (with politics being broadly defined) and, if so, just how significant were these developments.

Key questions concerned:

What gets campaigned about? To be sure, this includes much traditional concern, but reaches out into ecological, animal rights and human rights issues.

How do campaigns get carried out? Here a key concern are the new means of communication - ICTs, the internet etc, but it extends to concerns about 'perception management' and actors' sources of knowledge.

Who campaigns? Interest here concerns the characteristics of participants in political affairs nowadays - in Amnesty, in Oxfam, in Friends of the Earth etc.

In the papers which were presented there was a recurrent interest in new media characteristics and their import (from the internet to computer mediated communication more generally), in new social movements and endeavours to theorise their significance, in the heightened significance of culture in everyday life, including politics (so much so as to suggest that one might usefully conceive of 'cultural politics' to understand phenomena such as the reaction to Princess Diana's untimely death in 1997 and the Carnival Against Capitalism in the City of London on June 18th 1999). The papers engaged with a wide range of current social theory, most obviously with the work of Manuel Castells, and included closely observed studies of organisations such as Friends of the Earth and issues such as media practices, political representation, and environmental protest.

Papers presented were:

Professor Howard Tumber (City University), *Democracy in the Information Age: the role of the Fourth Estate in Cyberspace*

Dr John Street (University of East Anglia) and Dr Alan Scott (Innsbruck), *New Politics in Old Practices?*

Professor John Tomlinson (Nottingham Trent), *Proximity Politics*

Dr Nick Stevenson (Sheffield University), *Human Rights, Technological Thinking and the Future of Public Media Cultures: Questions of Critique and Ambivalence*

Dr Kate Nash (Goldsmiths), *Contested Power: Political Sociology and Cultural Politics*

Professor Mario Diani (Strathclyde University), *Social Movement Networks between Local and Virtual*

Dr Neil Washbourne (University of Hull), *New Forms of Organizing? Translocalism, Networks and Campaigning in Friends of the Earth*

Dr Alan Dordoy and Professor Mary Mellor (University of Northumbria), *Grassroots Environmental Movements: Mobilisation in an Information Age*

Dr Sasha Roseneil (University of Leeds), *Performance of the Politics of Postmodernity: The Life and Death of Diana, Princess of Wales*

Plans are advanced to publish a selection of these papers in the journal *Information, Communication and Society* (iCS) as well as in book format. Meanwhile, copies of individual papers may be obtained from the colloquium organiser, Frank Webster, Department of Cultural Studies and Sociology, University of Birmingham, Edgbaston, Birmingham, B15 2TT. E-mail: websterf@css.bham.ac.uk

Frank Webster, University of Birmingham



International conference on the theme of 'Globalization and Identities'.

A highly successful inter-disciplinary conference was held at Manchester Metropolitan University from June 30th to July 2nd, 1999. This was organised by the Research Unit for Global Studies attached to the Department of Sociology - an increasingly active core of scholars working on various global issues of a theoretical and substantive nature. The conference received valuable assistance from the ESRC Transnational Communities Group. Altogether more than 60 people attended the conference and 44 papers were presented. Many visitors either travelled especially to the conference from across the world, including Mexico, Australia, South Africa, Canada, the USA, Italy, Greece and Spain, or were overseas visitors from countries such as India, Iran, China, Thailand or Brazil who were currently studying and teaching in Britain. The rich diversity of themes and issues - relating to globalization, transnational communities and changing identities - demonstrated in the papers

was astonishing.

Both in quality and range they reflected both the pressing realities for more and more individuals, groups, institutions, cultures and nations of living in an increasingly integrated world and the rapid growth of scholarly interest in this field of study. The sense of common intellectual purpose among those present along with an ethos of collaborative endeavour was palpable. The involvement of Professor Martin Albrow in the conference and the important and inspirational address he delivered as our keynote speaker contributed considerably towards creating the stimulating and exciting atmosphere which quickly pervaded the event.

Paul Kennedy, Manchester Metropolitan University

Seminar Links Three ESRC Programmes

On 19 October 1999 a one-day seminar on the theme 'Researching Ethnicities and Identities' was held in Bradford. Hosted by Charles Husband of the University of Bradford, the seminar was convened so that specific research project teams from three ESRC programmes could meet to exchange information and experience surrounding shared issues and methods. Projects mainly concerned research on media use among ethnic minorities in Britain and around Europe.

Participants included Simon Frith (University of Strathclyde), who is Director of the ESRC Research Programme on Media Economics and Media Culture, and from that programme Annabelle Sreberny-Mohammadi (University of Leicester), who together with Charles Husband has a project on Muslims, multiculturalism and the media. The Cities: Competitiveness and Cohesion Research Programme was represented by Sophie Bowlby (University of Reading) and Charles Husband, both of whom have projects regarding youth and employment in multi-ethnic contexts in Britain. From the Transnational Communities Research Programme participants included the Director, Steve Vertovec (University of Oxford), Kevin Robins (Goldsmith's College,

University of London) who described his project on media consumption in the Turkish diaspora, and from the 'axial writers' project, Marie Gillespie (University of Wales – Swansea) and John McLeod (University of Leeds). Other invited participants from the University of Bradford were Stacey Burlet and Ulrike Meinhof.

The seminar consisted of presentations and intensive discussion of the projects and programmes. Common issues, interests and methodologies were highlighted. Tasks of researching 'representation' (such as who decides what an 'ethnic community' is? how is 'it' depicted in the media, and by whom? and how is the audience constructed?) were perhaps most central to the day's discussion. Notions of 'hybridity' and multiple subject identities were also challenged. By the end of the seminar, all participants agreed the seminar had been most productive and highly useful for learning about colleagues' approaches and for sharpening researchers analyses of their own project material.

The above-mentioned projects and programmes are described on respective websites, all accessible via the ESRC's home website (www.esrc.ac.uk).

Dr Steven Vertovec, Director

Special issue Kunapipo: Journal of Post-Colonial Literature on the topic of 'Post-Colonial London'

Deals with creative and critical pieces which concern the many 'transnational communities' in the capital and those writers that might be considered 'axial'. Will interest anyone involved in thinking about transnational literary aesthetics.

Copies can be obtained from: Kunapipi, PO Box 20, Hebden Bridge, West Yorkshire HX7 5UZ (cost: £7.95)

Publications

Books

Anderson, B (forthcoming) *Doing the dirty work? The global politics of domestic labour*, Zed Books

Cohen, R. and Rai, S (eds) (forthcoming) *Global Social Movements*, Athlone Press

Cohen, R. and Kennedy, P. (forthcoming) *Global Sociology*, Macmillan

Nyiri, P. (1999) *New Chinese migrants in Europe*, Aldershot: Ashgate

Østergaard-Nielsen, E.(forthcoming) 'From guest workers to transnational communities', introductory chapter to Gunduz Vassaf: *We have not made ourselves heard, Turkish Guest Worker Children*, Belge Yayinlari, Istanbul

Phizacklea, A. and Westwood, S. (forthcoming) *The politics of belonging*, Routledge

Whitley, R. (1999) *Divergent capitalisms: the social structuring and change of business systems*, Oxford: Oxford University Press

Journal articles

Anderson, B. (1999) 'Invisible women - Europe's migrant domestic workers' in J. Momsen (ed.) *Women, migration and domestic service*, Routledge

Beaverstock, J.V. and Boardwell, J.T. (2000) 'Negotiating Globalization, Transnational Corporations and Global City Financial Centres in Transient Migration Studies', *Applied Geography*, 20

Østergaard-Nielsen, E.(forthcoming) 'Translate loyalties and politics of Turks and Kurds in Western Europe', *SAIS Review*, John Hopkins University, Washington

Whitley, R. (1999) 'Firms, institutions and management control: the comparative analysis of coordination and control systems', *Accounting, Organizations and Society*, 24: 507-24

Yemelianova, G. (1999) 'Ethnic nationalism, Islam and Russian politics in the North Caucasus' in C.Williams, T. Sfikas (eds) *Ethnicity and nationalism in Russia, the CIS and the Baltic States*, London: Ashgate, pp. 120-48

The International Library of Studies on Migration, Edward Elgar Publishing Series Editor: Robin Cohen, University of Warwick

The Transnational Communities Programme has been closely associated with the development and imminent completion of the International Library of Studies on Migration. With the publication of Volume 10 on *Gender and Migration* in April 2000, the series will be completed. The series comprises reprints of existing articles (and occasionally book extracts), preceded by an original essay provided by the editor/s. Though the original introductions vary from the prosaic and descriptive to highly ambitious syntheses of the fields, all the volumes contain material that no one university library (however well-established) is likely to contain. The series as a whole provides a baseline reference point for students, researchers and professionals in the field of migration studies. Themes like diasporas, gender and transnationalism, which are intrinsic to the transnational communities programme, are especially well represented. Five of the editors are on the advisory committee or are fund-holders under the programme.

The statistics on the series are impressive. The books contain 275 articles written by 295 authors. When complete, readers will have some 6,352 pages to browse or study. The series will

not provide light reading in another sense – the 11 books (volume 4 is a double volume) weigh several kilos.

Naturally, a reference library of this type does not come cheap and there are few individuals who would be able to afford the massive price tag – well over £100 for most volumes. As editor of the series and a sometime book buyer I was at first horrified at the cost. However, as the publisher explained, reprint rights for nearly every one of the 275 articles have to be paid. Moreover the cost of subscribing to the many journals that provided the articles would be out of the reach of nearly every institution, except perhaps the wealthiest. The virtue of the collection from a teacher's point of view is that they are able to point to original, refereed, research-quality material – which students will not find on the Internet or in the often bland and vacuous textbooks that now provide the grist to many teaching mills.

As the series editor, I am rather relieved to have finished this very long assignment. However, I did not do this alone. I want to take the opportunity to thank the editors and authors, Anna Winton, and the excellent and professional staff at Edward Elgar Publishing for their help and support in bringing this plan to a successful conclusion.

Robin Cohen, Series Editor

Theories of Migration

Professor Robin Cohen, Professor of Sociology, University of Warwick, UK

Series No.1 1996 544pp

Hardback 1 858898 001 1 £120.00

Geography and Migration

Dr Vaughan Robinson, Director, Migration Unit and Senior Lecturer in Geography, University of Wales, Swansea, UK

Series No.2 1996 616pp

Hardback 1 85898 117 4 £135.00

Sociology of Migration

Professor Robin Cohen, Professor of Sociology, University of Warwick, UK

Series No.3 1996 576pp

Hardback 1 85898 000 3 £130.00

Migration in European History (Vols I and II)

Professor Coling Holmes, Professor of History, University of Sheffield, UK

Series No. 4 Two volume set 1996 1,280pp

Hardback 1 85898 421 1 £270.00

The Politics of Migration

Professor Robin Cohen, Professor of Sociology and Professor Zig Layton-Henry, Professor of Politics and Director, Centre for Research in Ethnic Relations, University of Warwick, UK

Series No. 5 1997 360pp

Hardback 1 85898 014 3 £80.00

Law and Migration

Selina Goulbourne, Principal Lecturer, School of International Studies and Law, Coventry University, UK

Series No. 6 January 1998 488pp

Hardback 1 85898 039 9 £110.00

Migration and Social Cohesion

Dr Steven Vertovec, Research Reader, Social Anthropology, University of Oxford and Director of ESRC Transnational Communities Programme

Series No. 7 1999 576pp

Hardback 1 85898 868 3 £125.00

Migration and Public Policy

Dr Vaughan Robinson, Director, Migration Unit and Senior Lecturer in Geography, University of Wales, Swansea, UK

Series No. 8 1999 680pp

Hardback 1 85898 922 1 £150.00

Migration, Diasporas and Transnationalism

Dr Steven Vertovec and Professor Robin Cohen

Series No.9 1999 704pp

Hardback 1 85898 869 1 £150.00

Gender and Migration

Dr Katie Willis, Department of Geography, University of Liverpool and Dr Brenda Yeoh, Center for Advanced Studies, National University of Singapore

Series No. 10 April 2000 528pp

Hardback 1 84064 073 1 £110.00

Seminars Hilary 2000
**‘Consciousness of Connections: Global Environments
in the New Millenium’**

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| 27 January | The Hon. Maurice F. Strong, Chairman, The Earth Council
<i>Global Sustainable Development</i> |
| 3 February | Professor Marcia Langton, University of Northern Territories, Australia
<i>Indigenous Concepts of Connectedness and the New Environmental
ism</i> |
| 10 February | Professor Herbert Giradet, Urban Futures, London
<i>Cities, People, Planet</i> |
| 17 February | Dr Calestrous Juma, Harvard University
<i>International Trade and Environment</i> |
| 24 February | Professor Steven Yearley, University of York
<i>Social Movements as Problematic Agents of Global Environmental
Change</i> |
| 2 March | Professor Eugene P. Odum, Institute of Ecology, University of Georgia
<i>The Transformation of Ecology</i> |
| 9 March | Peter Melchett, Executive Director, Greenpeace, UK
<i>Global Citizens - Campaigning for Environmental Solutions</i> |
| 15 June
(Trinity Term) | Professor Manuel Castells, UC Berkeley
<i>Global Networks and Local Societies: Cities in the Information Age</i> |

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