CES Immigration Research Network

A) Mission Statement
The Immigration Research Network seeks to be genuinely interdisciplinary in nature and sensitive to a variety of methodological approaches, and aims to bring together both junior and senior scholars from both sides of the Atlantic. Furthermore, the network seeks to draw upon insights provided by various disciplines, including political science, international relations, law, history, sociology, anthropology, geography, economics, and cognate disciplines.

The thematic focus of the network is on societal effects and transformations linked to international migration in its various forms. The network seeks to promote work from a broad comparative perspective that combines historical and cross-national perspectives, as well as to explore the causes and effects of interdependences within and beyond Europe.

B) Network membership eligibility requirements
The network is open to academics, independent scholars, and policy practitioners working in the field of immigration research. Graduate research students (PhD level and above) and early-career scholars are especially welcome.

C) Leadership offices, terms, election intervals, requirements for candidate eligibility, and responsibilities
The network leadership consists of a Network Chair/Co-Chairs elected to a three-year term and a Board of up to four persons elected to four-year term(s) that begin on 1 July. Elections will take place in the preceding March. There are no limits on successive terms that can be served.

The outgoing Chair will serve as an ex officio board member for a period of one year to provide advice to his or her successor, until that successor replaces him or her.

Responsibilities include:

- relations with the CES Executive Board
- communications with members, including maintenance of the membership roster
- overseeing network selection process for CES annual conferences
- drafting and submitting the annual report to the CES Executive Board

The Chair should possess advanced postgraduate training in the field of immigration and hold a permanent position at a university or similar research institution.
D) Commitment to interdisciplinary research

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E) Commitment to geographic and generational diversity

The Immigration Research Network aims to bring together junior and senior scholars from both sides of the Atlantic. A core goal of the network is disciplinary diversity, which can be achieved in part through sensitivity to methodological differences across generations and national academic cultures.

F) Process for amending or altering the constitution

This constitution can be amended following an e-ballot directly before or after the annual conference and/or annual meeting.

G) Dispute resolution

Disputes involving elections and the operation of the Immigration Research Network should be referred to the CES Executive Committee.