Geographical mobility changes and ethnic segregation in Southwest Mediterranean Metropolises: What changed with the recent crisis?

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The multidimensional crisis that hit Portugal and Spain after 2008 had a strong impact on immigrants that were obliged to mobilize *in situ* strategies to overcome problems of unemployment, wage loss and eventual fall into an irregular status. Internal mobility, with an increase of concentration in major cities, where employment opportunities and other social resources tend to be more abundant, seems to be one of these strategies. Having this into consideration, this presentation will focus on the internal geographical mobility patterns of immigrants in Portugal and Spain in the crisis and post-crisis period, testing the possibility of increasing concentration in major cities. In addition, it proposes to discuss the eventual changes (or trends) taking place in the patterns of ethnic segregation of the major metropolises of Portugal and Spain, considering both the contemporary mobility processes affecting immigrants and the restructuring trends of the urban housing markets.

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**Short Bio:**

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