

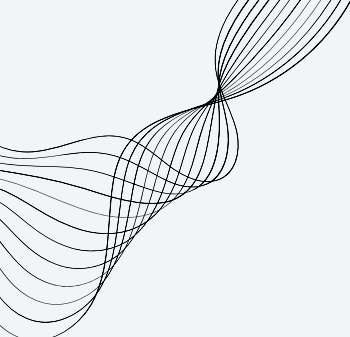


REPORT
**MEETING OF EXPERTS.
ALLIANCE FOR MIGRATION
RESEARCH**



WEDNESDAY,
16TH OF OCTOBER, 2024





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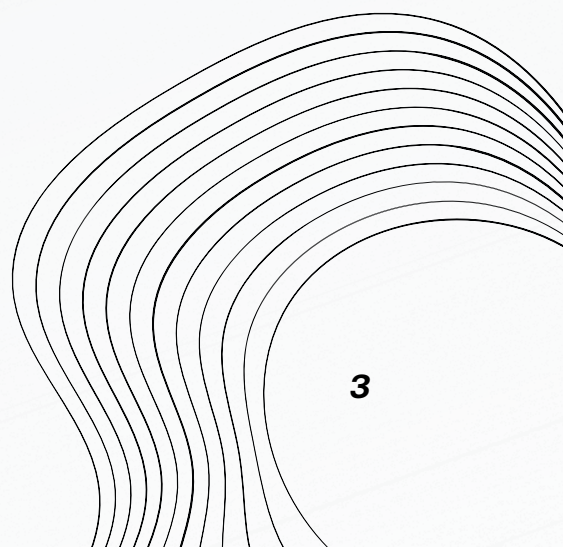
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1.LOCATION

In-person



University Fernando III
Seville, Spain



Virtual Session

Via Microsoft Teams:
[Link to Online Meeting](#)



2.ATENDEES



- Sixty-seven (67) participants present in the meeting room
- Twenty-six (26) attendees connected virtually

3.EVENT PROCEEDINGS

3.1. Welcome and Opening Remarks

Led by

Mr. Carlos González Escalada Álvarez,

Chairman of SAMU Foundation;

Ms. Miyriam Navarro,

Postgraduate Coordinator at CEU San Pablo, representing Ms. M^a Ríos, Director of Postgraduate Studies at CEU San Pablo, who excused her absence due to attending the opening ceremony of the Universidad Fernando III and

Mr. Francisco Jesús Toronto,

the Hon. Director General of Migration Policies,

3.2. Lectures

Inaugural Conference



Titled “Correcting Myths about Migration,”

Dr. Castañeda - Director of the Immigration Lab at American University, USA.

He shared evidence to debunk myths about migration; emphasized that immigrants account for only 3.5% of the global population and that their negative impact is often exaggerated. Migration is essential to counter population decline and maintain economic and cultural growth, particularly in countries like the United States.

Presentation Summary

The presentations were organized into two blocks:

① *“Theory and Practice in Addressing Migration: SAMU Foundation Projects and Protocols,”*

② *“Theory and Practice in Addressing Migration from the University Perspective.”*

Each block featured two presentation panels

Block 1

M1-P1 Longitudinal Approach to the Migration Phenomenon:

Reviews major migration changes over 20 years, focusing on job integration, cultural impact, and globalization.

M1-P2 Convention on the Child’s Rights and LOPIVI:

Highlights Spain’s adaptation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child to protect minors from violence, focusing on residential centers’ role in detecting abuse.

M1-P3 Youth and Migration from a Gender Perspective:

Addresses the unique challenges young migrant women face, emphasizing the need for empowerment and inclusive support.

M1-P4 Health Education Program for Young Immigrants:

Describes a program helping young immigrants access healthcare and adopt healthier lifestyles, with positive outcomes.

M1-P5 The Language of Hospitality:

An Erasmus+ initiative to improve migrant reception in Europe, with a final methodological guide to be released in 2025.

M2-P6 Conscious Neighborhood:

Migrant Youth in El Cerezo: A program in Seville focused on civic integration and sharing migrant experiences through community activities.

M2-P7 Strengthening the Resilience of Displaced Populations:

Proposes integrating aid with sustainable development to better support displaced people and host communities.

M2-P8 SAMU ED, Empowering Heroes:

Highlights SAMU’s humanitarian training programs to build crisis response skills and sustainability.

M2-P9 Intervention Models with Unaccompanied Migrant Minors in Andalusia:

Discusses comprehensive care for unaccompanied minors, including education, health, and risk detection.

M2-P10 Migration Handbook: Geopolitical, Economic, and Social Challenges:

A book analyzing migration through various lenses, covering topics like child migrants and globalization.

Block 2

M3-P1 VRIME Project in Andalusia:

Responds to rising numbers of unaccompanied minors in Spain by using machine learning for risk detection, improving care, and personalizing social inclusion plans.

M3-P2 IMMERSE Project:

Aims to improve the socio-educational integration of refugee and migrant children in Europe by developing indicators and using participatory methods to shape public policy.

M3-P3 Knowledge and Identity Funds (FCel):

Focuses on a pedagogical model that supports culturally diverse students, emphasizing the capabilities and training of migrant populations in health and social services.

M3-P4 MadresUP Project:

Supports migrant, refugee, and Roma women in building resilient motherhood through mentoring and community interventions to improve mental health and address discrimination.

M4-P5 Irregular Migration of Salvadorans in the Eastern Region of El Salvador:

Analyzes factors driving irregular migration, highlighting economic and structural issues and recommending policy changes to improve local living conditions.

M4-P6 Legalize Program in the U.S.:

Provides legal assistance to irregular migrants in Washington, helping them obtain residency and citizenship, enabling better access to banking and housing.

M4-P7 Rethinking Africa Initiative:

Works to reshape perceptions of Africa, promoting positive views and enhancing civil society and migrant associations' roles in Spain, focusing on citizen participation and better conditions for migrants.

*Presentations outside
the program*

P8: The thesis project "Barriers to Integration and Quality of Life of Refugees in Spain"
analyzes the experiences of African and Latin American refugees in reception programs. It examines areas of integration and the impact of barriers on quality of life, comparing the profiles of newcomers and those outside the reception system.

P9: "Support Networks in Non-Profit Social Organizations for a Comprehensive Approach to Migrant Well-Being and Adaptation"

Non-profit social organizations play a crucial role in community development, helping individuals reach their full potential. This research focuses on how these organizations collaborate to form a support network, expanding service coverage for migrants. Using a qualitative methodology and a documentary strategy, the study highlights the creation of an interdisciplinary network committed to the comprehensive adaptation of migrants to their new environment.

Closing Conference

The closing conference was delivered by Dr. Carlos Álvarez Leiva, Chariman of Fundación SAMU, who has worked on Europeanizing reception centers for unaccompanied migrant minors.

His approach focuses on adapting and improving the procedures and services of these centers to align with European standards, ensuring comprehensive and quality care for these minors.



3.3. Closing Ceremony

The closing panel was composed of the CEO of SAMU Foundation, D. José Antonio Trujillo, the Honorary Chairman of SAMU, Dr. Carlos Álvarez Leiva, and the Hon. Consul General of El Salvador in Seville, Spain, Mr. Miguel Antonio Guevara Quintanilla.

After highlighting the key issues discussed during the event, they announced the two bids for the next meetings of the Alliance for Migration Research: the first in Washington D.C., USA, and the second in El Salvador. The event was officially concluded afterward.



D. José Antonio Trujillo
CEO of SAMU Foundation



D. Carlos Álvarez Leiva
Honorary Chairman of SAMU

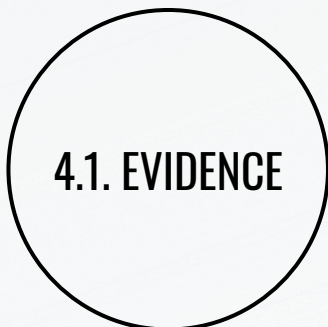
4. EVIDENCE AND EVENT SATISFACTION



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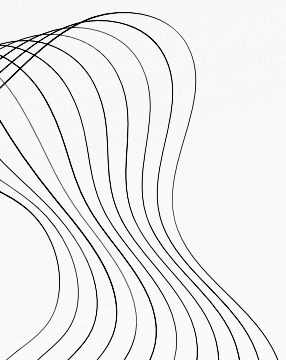


Block 2



The event was recorded and can be viewed in the following QR

Participants' satisfaction regarding the event was gathered through an online Likert type questionnaire with 5 gradient levels





Element	Rating
Satisfaction	4,8
Atmosphere	4,8
Topics	4,93
Organization	4,93
Catering	4,58
Platform	4,87



Some of the comments received ...

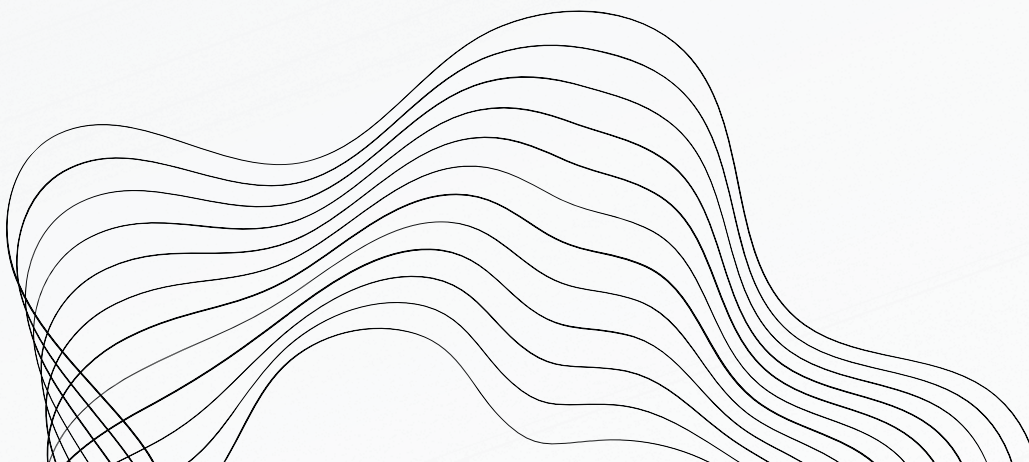
“I would hold it over two days since these are very enriching sessions, and it’s an international meeting, allowing us to cover topics more thoroughly and at a more relaxed pace.”

“It was great”

“Good coordination and warm attention.”

“Reserve time during the event for small group discussions and a subsequent group sharing session.”

“The online management was very well organized, and the performance of the technical team was impeccable. However, as a speaker, I would have liked to have the presentation content in front of me.”



5. CONCLUSIONS

Intervention Models for Unaccompanied Migrant Minors



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7.APPENDIX

1.Lectures and Presentations

TITLE	Presenter
Opening Conference Correcting Myths about Migration	Ernesto Castañeda Ruiz
BLOCK 1. Theory and Praxis in Addressing Migration. Projects and Protocols by Fundación SAMU	
M1-P1 A Longitudinal Approach to the Migration Phenomenon.	Flumencio Prieto
M1-P2 Creating Safe Environments: Commitment and Action against Child Violence in the Minor Reception System.	Siham Khalifa El Abdi/Carolina Muñoz Villanueva
M1-P3 Youth and Migration: Methodological Aspects from a Gender Perspective.	Amel Boughanem Cortés/Jara Díaz Vázquez
M1-P4 Evaluation of the Implementation of Health Education Programs for Young Immigrants.	Gliseldys Lariana Rosas Romero
M1-P5 The Language of Hospitality: Professionalization and Good Practices in the Reception and Care of Migrants at the Southern and Northern Mediterranean Border.	Laura García Rebolo
M2-P6 Conscious Neighborhood: Migrant Youth in El Cerezo. Life Stories for Building Cultural Bonds.	Juan Luque Pelegrin/Laura García Rebolo
M2-P7 Forced Migrations: Bridging the Gap between Humanitarian Action and Development Cooperation .	Andrés Rodríguez Holst
M2-P8 Samu ED, Empowering Heroes: Training and Capacity Building in Humanitarian Response.	Andrea Gallegos/Rolando Vázquez/Claudia Tello
M2-P9 Social Intervention Model with Unaccompanied Foreign Minors in Andalusia.	Juan Manuel Aveledo Ruiz
M2-P10 Handbook Presentation: Migrations: New Geopolitical, Economic, and Social Challenges.	José Domínguez León
BLOCK 2. Theory and Praxis in Addressing Migration from the University	
M3-P1 Digitalization in Migration Contexts: A Tool for Predicting the Risk of Social Exclusion in Unaccompanied Migrant Minors.	Gloria Fernández-Pacheco Alises
M3-P2 IMMERSE Project Horizon 2020.	Mercedes Fernández García
M3-P3 How to Overcome the Deficit Perspective in Study and Work with Migrants? Funds of Knowledge and Identity for Cultural Recognition and Sustainability.	Rosa M ^a Rodríguez Izquierdo
M3-P4 Mental Health in Migrant Mothers in Spain.	Virginia Palomo Castro
M4-P5 Sociodemographic Characteristics, Factors, and Impact of Irregular Migration in the Eastern Region of El Salvador.	Rodolfo Mejía-Dietrich/ Oscar Alberto Ibarra
M4-P6 Migrations in America from a Legal and Normative Perspective: Legalizate.	Ana Maldonado Alfonso
M4-P7 Rethinking Africa: Right to Migration and the Commons: Proposals for Policy and Civic Participation.	Aboubacrin Dieng
Closing Conference: Europeanization of Education Centers for Minors / European Asylum Support Office (EASO).	Carlos Álvarez Leiva
P8 Barriers to Integration and Quality of Life of Refugees in Spain.	Evaristo Barrera Algarín/Clara Mairén Pérez
P9 Support Networks in Non-Profit Organizations for an Integral Approach to Migrant Welfare and Adaptation.	Ana Alejandra González

