

CCIS Fall Seminar Series Presents:

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ERC Administration Building, Conference Room 115



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From Trans-Migrants to Trans-Borders:

Insights From the Comparison of Cross-Border Activities Across Three Categories of Migrants in France

The use of a unique dataset allows Professor Safi to measure cross-border activities of three different categories of migrants in France: international migrants, French overseas department migrants and other “national migrants” (return colonial migrants or return expats).

Her findings show first that all migrants maintain trans-border activities, with particular intensity among French overseas migrants. The sociopolitical, economic and re-migration dimensions of cross-border activities are also shown to be affected by similar determinants across the three categories of migrants. The analysis points towards some common determinants related to the type of border between the origin and destination places involved in the migration process.

Mirna Safi is a Research Professor in the Department of Sociology at Sciences Po and Faculty Affiliate at the Observatoire Sociologique du Changement (OSC). She is also a member of the Centre de Recherche en Economie et Statistique (CREST). She predominantly works on immigration, assimilation, spatial segregation, and ethnic and racial inequality. Her current research projects include migration and transnationalism, locational choices and neighborhood composition, diversity policies in French firms and firm-level inequality in the labor market.

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