

Call for Abstracts

Swiss Network of Young Migration Scholars Conference 2026

“Narratives on migration”

9 September 2026

University of Lucerne

The Swiss Network of Young Migration Scholars warmly invites early-career researchers – doctoral and postdoctoral – to participate in its annual conference at the University of Lucerne. This event provides a collegial space to present current research, receive feedback, and engage in critical exchange with peers from across disciplines.

The conference is an **in-person** event.

We welcome contributions on **all aspects of narratives on migration and mobility**, including but not limited to:

- Personal stories, self-representations and lived experiences of migrants,
- Political, legal and societal debates,
- Public attitudes,
- Media discourses,
- Artistic representations,
- Academic debates, and
- Historical developments.

The call is open for conceptual, methodological and empirical contributions. Submissions from all disciplinary backgrounds and at any stage of research are encouraged.

Participants will give a 10–15-minute presentation of their ongoing research projects, followed by a 10–15-minute discussion and feedback round.

The conference follows the principle of “chacun·e sa langue”: participants are encouraged to present in the language in which they are most comfortable (English, French, German, or Italian). Discussions will be multilingual.

Submission Guidelines

Please send an abstract (max. 300 words) and a short biographical note (max. 100 words) to info@migrationscholars.ch by 15 May 2026. Notifications of acceptance will be sent by the end of May.

We look forward to an engaging day of discussion, connection, and exchange!