

FOREWORD

Dear Reader,

On behalf of the editorial team, it is our great pleasure to welcome you to this issue of the Oxford Monitor of Forced Migration. Once again, our publication covers topics from around the world written by a diverse set of authors. The five sections aim to cover different approaches to forced migration as well as to engage authors and readers from a variety of fields.

The policy monitor offers critical analyses of current and emerging policies and practises undertaken by governments, NGOs and organisations. Raluca Bejan informs us of European Union's failure to devise an equitable temporary relocation system for the internal re-distribution of refugees and provides concrete policy suggestions. Sara Ramey offers a critical assessment of the conditions in and justification for childcare facilities at Texas detention centres and argues to move away from the private, for-profit detention of children.

In the field monitor, we hear from those who have had direct experience with forced migrants. This time, both articles look at refugee situations connected to the ongoing war in Syria. Sarah Linn reports on her interview research with Syrian women that have chosen to self-settle in Amman, Jordan. Megan Denise Smith and Yara Chehwane, also relying on qualitative research, take us to Lebanon and provide insight into how movement restrictions impact refugees living there.

We take special pride in the first hand section that offers a platform for individuals with lived experiences of forced migration to offer their views and insights. In this issue, Jasem Al-Wrewir, a Syrian refugee living in the Za'atari Refugee Camp in Jordan, reflects on the opportunities and limitations of cash-for-work programmes.

The law monitor analyses laws, policies, as well as practices and their possible implications for the rights of forced migrants. Here, James Wookey seeks to show the impact of legal developments by describing the encounters of three fictional refugees with Hungarian law.

Lastly, in this issue's academic article, Christoph Tometten closely analyses the legal entry schemes for forced migrants to Germany and warns that resettlement may be turning into a tool for containment.

We would like to express our gratitude to everyone that has made the publication of this issue possible. A big thank you goes to our authors, our editors, as well as the staff and faculty of the University of Oxford that support this publication. Lastly, dear Reader, we thank you for your interest. We hope that this issue will challenge you with new perspectives and ideas.

Sincerely,

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