

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL *Environmental Changes and Migration* Liège (Belgium), 7-12 September 2023

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Following the success of the first edition in 2018, we are pleased to announce that the second edition of our Summer School on Environmental Changes and Migration will take place **between the 7th and the 12th of September 2023 in Liège, Belgium.**

This year's edition is organized in the framework of the ACRONYM project. ACRONYM – Advancing Cooperation on Migration and Asylum – is a joint project supported by the European Union's Horizon Europe funding programme, which brings together three European partners: the *Institute for Central Europe* (Slovakia), the *University of Liège* (Belgium), and the *University Paris Cité* (France).

Summer School Theme: Environmental Changes and Migration in the Global Research Agenda

According to the latest [IDMC report](#) on internal displacement, 32,6 million new internal displacements associated with disasters were recorded in 2022 across 151 countries and territories, more than half of new internal displacements worldwide. Beyond the issue of accessibility of figures related to environmental changes and migration – both across and within borders – lies another conceptual challenge. Indeed, despite increasing empirical evidence of the environmental nature of many drivers of migration and increasing awareness of the human impacts of climate change, the place of 'environmental migration' within the global research agenda remains at a crossroads.

Twelve years after the landmark Foresight report, and as the impacts of climate change intensify, what are the key challenges for academic scholarship and policy-making on this issue? What are the key research questions that should be tackled in the coming years?

This Summer School will seek to provide practical answers to this question through a highly stimulating and interactive programme, featuring many of the key experts and practitioners in the field.

Key features of the programme:

- Keynote addresses by leading experts in the field
- Workshops with practitioners
- Opportunities to present and get feedback on your research
- Mentoring sessions, with career and publications advices
- Social and cultural activities

Audience

The Summer School is open to:

- **PhD Students** focusing their research on environmental changes and migration
- **Master's Degree students** interested in preparing a PhD related to environmental changes and migration.

Priority will be given to students from the three partner institutions of the ACRONYM project (ICE, ULiège and University Paris Cité), but the summer school is open to students from any university/higher education institution. No prerequisite is needed. We will seek to create a group as diverse as possible, in order to maximize the interactions between students.

Tuition Fees and Scholarships

Tuition fees are set at 400 EUR. They include all sessions, lunches and coffee breaks, as well as all social events, including the cocktail reception and the farewell dinner. Full scholarships, including a lump sum of EUR 1,000 to cover for travel and accommodation, are available for applicants from low- and middle-income countries. Please indicate in your application if you would require such a scholarship.

All participants shall receive an official certificate upon completion of the programme.

Applications

The **call for applications will be open until June 18th, 2023**. To apply, send the following application documents (in English) to elodie.hut@uliege.be **by June 18th, 2023**:

- a. Curriculum vitae
- b. Motivation Letter
- c. List of publications (if any)
- d. An abstract (400 words max) of the research work (e.g. Master or PhD thesis) you would like to present at the Summer School

Please note that we will not consider any incomplete applications. Notification of acceptance will be sent to selected participants in **late June 2023**.

Contact Information

For more information about the 2023 Liège Summer School, kindly contact Elodie Hut at the following address: elodie.hut@uliege.be.

We look forward to welcoming you in Liège in September 2023!

The ACRONYM Steering Committee