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## **Labour Migration and Social Rights**

### **Can we achieve a rights based approach to migration in the EU?**

#### **Documentation**

Presentations:

- [Line Eldring](#)
- [Bernd Hemingway I](#) & [Bernd Hemingway II](#)
- [Ann Singleton](#)
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- [Elisabeth Schroedter](#)
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We will examine how we can integrate the migrant workers into the European labour markets by giving the migrant workers rights. But we want to do it in a way that avoids a race to the bottom for wages and working conditions. We wish to avoid social dumping and the other downsides of migration and therefore we wish to put forward demands - to the governments and to the legislation. So one of the main questions is: Can we achieve a rights based approach to migration?

#### **PROGRAMME**

##### **9-10.30: THE EXPERTS**

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Director - Regional Representative at International Organization for Migration

**Ann Singleton**

MA, Director of Postgraduate Research and the [Head of the Centre for the Study of Poverty and Social Justice](#) at the School for Policy Studies, University of Bristol

**10.45-13: THE OPINIONS**

**Arnd Spahn**

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**Claire Courteille**

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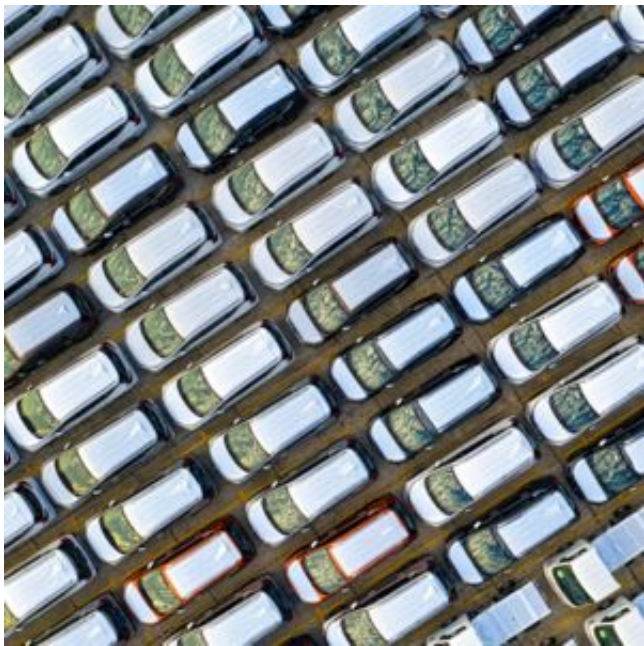


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