

Processing Alterity, Enacting Europe

Open Lecture by

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This lecture draws on a ten-year long research line on the morphology of government institutions and data infrastructures and focuses on the data-aided management of third country nationals to follow the construction of the European order.



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This lecture introduces the concept of “alterity processing” to account for the simultaneous enactment of individual “Others” and emergent European orders in the context of informational migration management. Alterity processing refers to data infrastructures, knowledge practices and bureaucratic procedures through which populations unknown to European actors are translated into “European-legible” identities. Drawing upon a Science and Technology Studies constructivist perspective, the lecture provides empirical evidence and theoretical reflections on the co-production of migrant people and politics mediated by the digitization of registration and identification.

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