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13:30-16:30

University of Parma

**Department of Law, Politics and International Studies,
Aula E, Strada Università 12**

Refugees in Higher Education Pathways: comparing the role of universities in Italy and Canada

In recent years, academic interest on refugees in Higher Education (HE) has increased significantly, reflecting public and political attention. Little attention has been given to long-term integration pathways.

Christina Clark-Kazak, from the University of Ottawa in Canada, will discuss with Eugenia Blasetti and Michela Semprebon, from the University of Parma, and Marco Borraccetti from the University of Bologna, on the experience of university corridors in Italy and Canada, particularly on the role of and challenges for universities.

Institutional openings

Simone Baglioni, Vice Rector Education, University of Parma

Seminar Introduction

Eugenia Blasetti, University of Parma

“HE as a durable solution for refugee students: opportunities and challenges of scaling up access”

Christina Clark-Kazak, University of Ottawa
discuss with

Michela Semprebon and Marco Borraccetti

Cristina Mazzero (University of Trento), Luca Vittori (University of Bologna) and Gabriella D'Avino (University of Birmingham), who conduct research on this topic, will also take part in the debate.

The seminar will be held in English and it is organised in the context of the interdepartmental course “Sociological-legal clinic”, thanks to the support of Pot I39 fundings.