

## **SYLFF KOLLEG - FORCED MIGRATION**

The fellows of the SYLFF Mikrokolleg will work on a variety of aspects related to international forced migration which is understood as a cross-border “migratory movement in which an element of coercion exists, including threats to life and livelihood, whether arising from natural or man-made causes” (International Organisation for Migration). The fellows will

- analyse the root causes of international forced migration in the home countries, including poverty, loss of land, and the persecution due to ethnicity, traditions and religious beliefs,
- evaluate the effectiveness of different international approaches to respond to forced migration in the home countries, such as humanitarian action, foreign aid, institution building and democracy promotion,
- focus on the rights of forced migrants and refugees in different legal orders and on the duties of the involved actors, including the host state, international or regional organisations

The SYLFF Mikrokolleg invites the application of excellent young researchers with a strong interest in research on international forced migration, with a background in economics, law, political science or sociology and with a clear commitment towards cross-disciplinary cooperation.

### **Research perspective: INTERNATIONAL REFUGEE- AND MIGRATION LAW**

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The Kolleg also encompasses a legal perspective. Projects should focus on international, European or comparative public law. This may include questions concerning the rights of forced migrants and refugees in different legal orders as well as the corresponding duties of the different actors involved (e.g. the principle of non-refoulement and other human rights obligations). These actors can be States, international or regional organisations (including the United Nations or the Council of Europe) and even non-governmental organisations as well as forced migrants and refugees themselves. Projects may also incorporate current legal developments as well as recent public policy proposals in the national or international sphere.