

Work package 2: Literature Review and Policy Analysis on Digital and Migration Networks¹

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Title of Deliverable: Transnational Digital Networks, Migration and Gender. Literature Review and Policy Analysis in (country name)

Organization and Timetable

Final Submission Deadline: October 2010

Partner Deadline: The reports should be sent to the WP coordinator at **UPSPS** by the end of July 2010.

A. Literature Review by partner (3.000 – 5.000 words)²

Period of review: From 2000 to the present (with some flexibility)³

Research to be reviewed: academic publications and research studies; where relevant, publications by non-academic institutions can be used as well (e.g. NGOs, governmental think tanks or alternative sources, feminist, antiracist and migration activist groups, web-sites).

Structure of the Country Report

1. Introduction (1-2 pages)

2. Review of literature on digital networks, migration and gender (4-6 pages)⁴

Identify main topics, research questions, themes and gaps and critically comment on them.

In those cases where there is no previous research on the interactions between digital networks, migration and gender, the literature review should focus and discuss in brief research on gender and migration, gender and digital networks, digital networks and migration, identifying main themes and possible overlapping or conflicting or complementary aspects.

3. Conclusion (1-2 pages)

What implications can be drawn about research priorities, silences and politics?

What are important further questions and directions that need to be pursued?

¹ Information about the organization of this work-package can be found in the DOW, page 18.

² We are calculating approximately 500 words per page.

³ The choice of the year 2000 as a starting point for the literature review is indicative and not compulsory. However, in some cases, as e.g. in Greece, literature on migration significantly multiplied and diversified after 2000, which makes it a useful starting date. Obviously, this national specificity varies among countries. Therefore, please choose the timeframe that will be most productive for your context.

⁴ Here, the main idea is for us to think critically about the broad trends and approaches of the existing literature, rather than presenting individual studies, unless this is important for illustrating a particular argument.

B. Policy Analysis by partner (4.000 – 6.000 words)

Period of the policy analysis: From 2000 to the present (with flexibility)

Documents to be examined: relevant publications by state agencies, governments, and NGOs, legislation, relevant EU policy documents.

Structure of the Report

1. Introduction (1-2 pages)

Broadly identify the main current influences on the development of migration and digital policies, (e.g. nationalist preoccupations, integration priorities, EU harmonisation, intellectual property securitization etc.) in order to provide a socio-political context for situating specific policy production.

2. Analysis of policies on digital networks (3-4 pages)

The policy analysis will consider whether, and how, national policies on digital networks can affect migration and migrants (directly as such, or/and even indirectly as potentially part of assigned 'vulnerable groups').

3. Analysis of migration policies (3-4 pages)

The policy analysis will focus on migration policies and consider whether they are linked to, or affected by, enable, hinder, or regulate the use of digital networks.

For both parts 2 and 3:

a. Relate national and EU policies

A brief discussion of the relevance, closeness or distance of national policies to EU policies and the process of harmonization.

b. Address gender as a policy issue/objective

It will be most important to reflect on the gendered dimension of policies: are there references to gender or not? How is gender addressed? Does the policy provide a basis for equal participation of men and women, or does it victimize or marginalize women? What does the lack of reference to gender imply?

4. Conclusion (1-2 pages)

Identification of omissions and explicit and/or implicit priorities.
Initial policy recommendations.

Useful websites/starting points for the research of EU and national policies on digital media/networks:

Portal of 'European Information Society':

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/index_en.htm

Regulatory framework for electronic communications in the European Union, available at

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/policy/ecom/doc/library/regulatoryframework%20forelectroniccomm_Dec%202009.pdf

Please refer also to the national portals on 'Information Society' in each one of your countries.

Useful websites/starting points for the research of EU and national policies on immigration:

Portal of DG Freedom, Security and Justice of the EC on Immigration:

http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/fsj/immigration/fsj_immigration_intro_en.htm

Please refer also to the national portals on 'Immigration and Integration' policies in each one of your countries.

Useful websites/starting points for the research of EU and national policies on gender equality:

Portal of DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities of the EC on Gender Equality and Gender Mainstreaming:

<http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?langId=en&catId=418>

Please refer also to the national portals on 'Gender Equality' policies in each one of your countries.