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"ARRIVAL" INFRASTRUCTURES: PROCESSES OF EMPLACEMENT OF DISPLACED PEOPLE FROM UKRAINE IN VIENNA

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Please join us for the reception at the AB lounge (4th floor) following our discussion.

ABSTRACT / IT HAS BEEN A YEAR SINCE PEOPLE FLEEING RUSSIA'S FULL-SCALE WAR ON UKRAINE STARTED ARRIVING IN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING AUSTRIA. THE CITY OF VIENNA BECAME A MAJOR "ARRIVAL" HUB. DESPITE REPEATED DECLARATIONS OF UNPRECEDENTED SOLIDARITY VIS-À-VIS THE DISPLACED FROM UKRAINE, THE SITUATION OF THE NEWCOMERS FROM UKRAINE IN AUSTRIA HAS BEEN MARKED BY MANY UNCERTAINTIES, AMBIGUITIES, CONTRADICTIONS, AND UNRESOLVED BOTTLENECKS. IN THIS TALK, A TEAM OF THE RESEARCH PROJECT LAUNCHED BY THE INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN SCIENCES (IWM) WILL PRESENT KEY FINDINGS OF THEIR STUDY OF THE RESPONSE OF THE CITY OF VIENNA TO THE MASS INFLUX OF DISPLACED PEOPLE FROM UKRAINE. THE RESEARCH PROJECT SCRUTINIZES THE LEGAL, INSTITUTIONAL, AND PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURES THAT EMERGED WITHIN THE INTERSECTION OF THE EUROPEAN, FEDERAL, AND CITY LEVELS STRUCTURING THE PROCESSES AND DYNAMICS OF EMPLACEMENT OF THE NEWLY ARRIVING PEOPLE. BY FOCUSING PARTICULARLY ON FOUR MAJOR SPHERES: EMPLOYMENT, ACCOMMODATION, EDUCATION, AND HEALTHCARE, - IT TRACES HOW THE APPLIED FRAMEWORKS, GOVERNANCE PRACTICES, ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES, AND ASSOCIATED DISCOURSES SHAPED THE COPING STRATEGIES, EXPERIENCES, POSITIONALITIES, AND SUBJECTIVITIES OF THOSE WHO FOUND THEMSELVES IN VIENNA. THE ANALYSIS ADDRESSES THE COMPLEX INTERRELATIONS BETWEEN THE DIFFERENT ACTORS INVOLVED IN THE RECEPTION OF PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY WITHIN THE UNEVEN LANDSCAPE OF CIVIL SOCIETY IN VIENNA. THE RESEARCH SITUATES THE CURRENT SITUATION AND THE PECULIARITIES OF THE TEMPORARY PROTECTION REGIME WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF HISTORICAL PRECEDENTS OF MANAGING MASS MOVEMENTS OF DISPLACED PEOPLE AND THE BROADER GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORKS OF ASYLUM AND FORCED MIGRATION.

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