# Irregular Migration as a Generic Form of Migration

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## Irregular Migration and Irregular Migrants: "What is it" and Who are they"?

- Irregular Migration/Irregular Migrants: Umbrella Concepts
  - Irregular ("Illegal") border-crossings
  - Overstaying --- violating visa and employment regulations
  - Rejected asylum cases
- What explains "Irregular Migration" --- Failures of policies/practices of (border-crossings, visa, employment regulations etc)
  - Economics versus Politics
  - Transnationalism versus Nationalism

#### Regular Migration versus Irregular Migration: an Interaction

- Blurred Borders between "Regularities" and "Irregularities" in Migration
- Push and Pull factors
- Supply of Labour versus Demand for Labour
- Visa Policies/Practices
- A debate over the use of irregular foeigng labour in certain areas of economies
- A debate over "circular migration"

#### **Irregular Migration and Development: How to Elaborate?**

- Migration/Mobility: one of the basic human functional capacities individuals can use to realize their plan of life.
- Development: the expansion of people's freedom to live their lives as they choose
- Development contributes to migration
- Migration contributes development
- Mal-development (ill-development) brings irregular migration
- Irregular migration brings mal-development (ill-development)

### **Concluding Remarks: Migration Management** in a Transnational Context

- Migration management: implementing an integrated and consistent policy designed for a transnational context
  - Developing aset of measures tobe able to manage migration in an orderly manner -- Orderliness
  - Providing an appropriate capability for protection and for dealing with disorderly movements --- Protection
  - Providing an environment conducive to integration --- Integration
  - Engaging in dialogue and co-operation with all involved actors (migrants, states, NGOs and Ios) --- Co-operation