

Event Speaker Biography



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Martin Ruhs was previously Professor of Political Economy at the University of Oxford. Martin's research focuses on the economics and politics of international migration, with a strong international comparative dimension. He is particularly interested in the links between migration and wider public policies, and the tensions between diversity in national institutions (broadly conceived) and supra-national policy-making.

Martin's books include *The Price of Rights. Regulating International Labour Migration* (Princeton University Press 2013), *Bridging the Gaps: Linking Research to Public Debates and Policy Making on Migration and Integration* (Oxford University Press 2019, co-edited with Kristof Tamas and Joakim Palme), and *Who Needs Migrant Workers? Labour Shortages, Immigration and Public Policy* (Oxford University Press 2010, co-edited with Bridget Anderson).

Martin is currently the Principal Investigator of 'Protecting Irregular Migrants in Europe (PRIME): Institutions, Interests and Policies' (2023-26) funded by 'Horizon Europe'. His other ongoing research analyses the tensions between free movement and European welfare states (freeEUmove); public preferences for migration policies (MEDAM); policy elites' understandings of migrants' decision-making (DYNAMIG); the role of migrants in shaping systemic resilience (MigResHub); the use of new technologies and perceptions of fairness in asylum and migration governance (AFAR); the ethics of migration policy dilemmas (Dilemmas); and EU Member States' protection policies for Ukrainian refugees.