Queer migration, diaspora and asylum in Europe
Saturday, 9 December 2017
UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies

09.00-09.30 Welcome with coffee and croissants

09.30-11.00 Session I: Queering migration and diaspora
Francesca Stella (University of Glasgow)
Rethinking queer migration at the intersection of migration and sexualities studies
Richard Mole (UCL)
Understanding queer diaspora: the case of Russians, Poles and Brazilians in Berlin
Róisín Ryan-Flood (University of Essex)
Staying connected: lesbian and gay narratives of family

11.00-11.30 Coffee

11.30-13.00 Session II: Transnational queer lives
Łukasz Szulc (London School of Economics)
From East to West and back to East: transnational homosexual activism during the Cold War
Dany Carnassale (University of Padua)
Transnational constructions of queerness of Senegalese migrants
Phillip M. Ayoub (Drexel University)
Queer migration and rooted cosmopolitans: facilitating long-distance LGBT activism

13.00-14.00 Lunch

14.00-15.30 Session III: Queer asylum: socio-legal perspectives
Nuno Ferreira (University of Sussex)
EU queer asylum policy: In search of a fairer system
Moira Dustin and Nina Held (University of Sussex)
Square pegs in round holes? Exploring the misfit between the Refugee Convention and LGBTQI claims in Germany and the UK
Christian Klesse (Manchester Metropolitan University)
Biopolitics, asylum case law and the epistemic contract of bisexual erasure

15.30-16.00 Tea and coffee

16.00-17.30 Session IV: Queer asylum: socio-political perspectives
Keith E. McNeal (University of Houston) and Sarah French Brennan (Columbia University)
Between homonationalism and Islamophobia: comparing queer asylum-seeking to the Netherlands from the Caribbean versus the Muslim world
Sebastiano Cesaro (University of Paris 8)
The politics of support towards LGBTQ asylum seekers in France
Calogero Giametta (Aix-Marseille Université)
New asylum protection categories and elusive filtering devices: queer asylum in France and Britain