

## BRIDGES Annual Meeting

### Agenda – 18,19 & 20 May 2022

CIDOB. Elisabets 12, 08001 Barcelona

Organised by CIDOB in the framework of the BRIDGES project

‘BRIDGES assessing the production and impact of migration narratives’ is holding its 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting in Barcelona from 18 to 20 May. CIDOB, as BRIDGES coordinating institution, is hosting this three-day event, which will gather 30 experts from 8 different countries to take stock of the project’s achievements since its kick-off and pave the way for the next two years.

[BRIDGES](#) reaches its first anniversary with a positive balance in terms of research, co-production, and dissemination activities. The project has already released the publications setting the bases for its overall research efforts, such as the [Guidelines on how to include the gender perspective in the analysis of migration narratives](#), a [Historical report on the evolution of migration and integration narratives in Europe](#), and a state of the art on [The emergence, uses and impact of narratives on migration](#). It is about to release its first results on the role of media as narrative producers in six different European countries, and research efforts are also underway in relation to the role of civil society organisations in countering exclusionary narratives and to the impact of [EU-funded information campaigns targeting potential migrants](#) in countries of origin and transit. Simultaneously, BRIDGES has implemented a full-fledged communications strategy and has released its first [video on the concept of migration narratives](#), while getting ready to kick off its [co-production activities](#) in the fall of 2022.

BRIDGES 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting will take stock of all these activities and pave the way forward. To do so, this event will start with a meeting of the project’s Steering Committee on 18 May, followed by Parallel Working Sessions on the different Work Packages and an Interdisciplinary Seminar to discuss the definition of migration narratives’ success and the factors leading to it on 19 May. These internal meetings will be complemented with a workshop with media professionals to jointly reflect on the role of media in explaining migration crises on 20 May.

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**Wednesday, 18 May – 14.00 to 18.30 CET**

## **BRIDGES Steering Committee**

13.00-14.00 *Welcome light lunch at CIDOB*

14.00-14.15 **Welcome remarks**

**Pol Morillas**, Director, CIDOB

**Blanca Garcés-Mascareñas**, BRIDGES Scientific Coordinator and Senior Research Fellow, CIDOB

**Ferruccio Pastore**, BRIDGES Scientific Co-coordinator and Director, FIERI

14.15-14.30 **Project overview**

**Blanca Garcés-Mascareñas**, BRIDGES Scientific Coordinator and Senior Research Fellow, CIDOB

14.30-16.00 **Work Package run-through**

Each WP leader shortly presents the state of their ongoing WP (15' each):

**Marcello Maneri**, Research Affiliate, FIERI

**Bastian Vollmer**, Professor of Social Sciences and Co-director of the Institute of Applied Research and International Relations, CUAS Mainz

**Verònica Benet-Martínez**, ICREA Researcher Professor, UPF (video)

**Florian Trauner**, Senior Research Fellow, VUB-BIRMM

**Giulia Tornari**, Founder & Executive Director, ZONA

16.00-16.15 *Short break*

16.15-17.00 **Ethical issues and data management**

**Marina Utgés**, BRIDGES Project Manager, CIDOB

**Florian Trauner**, Senior Research Fellow, VUB-BIRMM



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Jan-Paul Brekke, Senior Research Fellow and Research Director, ISF  
Adam Brisley, Ethics Advisor, UPF

17.00-17.45 **Communication, dissemination, and academic outreach**

Cristina Sala i Soler, BRIDGES Communications Officer, CIDOB  
Berta Güell, BRIDGES Assistant Coordinator and Researcher, CIDOB

17.45-18.15 **Management and coordination**

Marina Utgés, BRIDGES Project Manager, CIDOB  
Berta Güell, BRIDGES Assistant Coordinator and Researcher, CIDOB

18.15-18.30 **Concluding remarks**

20.00 *Consortium dinner*

**Thursday, 19 May – 09.45 to 19.45 CET**

**Morning Session – Interdisciplinary Seminar**

09.45-10.00 *Welcome coffee*

10.00-11.15 **Defining migration narratives success**

Ferruccio Pastore, BRIDGES Scientific Co-coordinator and Director, FIERI

11.15-12.30 **Explaining narrative success: what, who, where and when**

Blanca Garcés-Mascareñas, BRIDGES Scientific Coordinator and Senior Research Fellow, CIDOB

12.30-13.30 *Stand-up lunch*



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## Afternoon Session – Parallel Working Sessions

13.30-15.30 **First slot:**

**WP3:** attended by FIERI, CIDOB, UEDIN, CUAS Mainz, Sciences Po, CSS-TK, por Causa and ZONA

**WP6:** attended by VUB-BIRMM and ISF

15.30-15.45 *Break*

15.45-16.45 **Second slot:**

**WP4:** attended by CUAS Mainz, FIERI, CIDOB and por Causa

16.45-17.00 *Break*

17.00-18.00 **Third slot:**

**WP9:** attended by ZONA, por Causa, FIERI and CIDOB

18.15-19.45 **Historical and anthropological walking tour**

Migration and integration issues in a multicultural neighbourhood: El Raval

20.15 *Consortium Dinner*



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**Friday, 20 May – 09.30 to 12.45 CET time**

## **BRIDGES Workshop with Media Professionals: ‘Telling migration crises’**

09.30-09.45 **Welcome and presentation**

**Berta Güell**, BRIDGES Assistant Coordinator and Researcher, CIDOB

09.45-11.00 **1st session: How to avoid becoming part of the border spectacle?**

*Moderator* **Blanca Garcés-Mascareñas**, BRIDGES Scientific Coordinator and Senior Research Fellow, CIDOB

11.00-11.15 *Coffee break*

11.15-12.30 **2nd session: How to cover the increasing politicisation of migration?**

*Moderator* **Berta Güell**, BRIDGES Assistant Coordinator and Researcher, CIDOB

12:30-12:45 **Wrap-up**

**Marcello Maneri**, Research Affiliate, FIERI

