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We invite you to the talk:

Identities and Feelings of (Un)Belonging among Second-Generation Migrants

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How is migration experienced by second-generation migrants?
How do they negotiate feelings of (un)belonging over their life course?
What is the significance of their childhood experiences for their actual identities?

Adopting three theoretical perspectives – the transnational (Levitt & Glick-Schiller, 2004), the relational (Emirbayer, 1997), and the life course (Gherghel, & Saint-Jacques, 2013) –, Dr. Heidi Martins will discuss the “sources of tension” underlying second-generation migrants’ feelings of (un)belonging and show how these tensions are linked to pride, guilt, and gratitude towards parents. The study is based on interviews with second-generation Portuguese migrants in Luxembourg in their early adulthood.

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