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Keynote Speaker Biography

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As a political sociologist and migration scholar, professor Nicola Piper's broad areas of interest cover migrants' rights, transnational political organising, multi-layered governance of migration and gendered migration. More specifically, her research is on migration governance "from below", that is a rights-based approach to migration derived from (formal and informal) political organising by or on behalf of migrants. Her latest area of interest is global and transnational social policy, the Sustainable Development Goals in relation to migration, portable justice and the portability of rights. She is author of *Critical Perspectives on Global Governance: Rights and Regulation in Governing Regimes* (2007, Routledge), editor of *South-South Migration: Implications for Social Policy and Development*. (2010, Palgrave Macmillan), *New Perspectives on Gender and Migration - Livelihood, Rights and Entitlements* (2008, Routledge) and many other academic works on the theme.