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To: Refugees from Eritrea and Ethiopia in Germany Related Human Rights Organisations and Self-help-groups Concerned Lawyers (Asylum & Refugee Law)

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Invitation to a Stakeholder-Workshop on behalf of our ongoing research project on migration from Eritrea and Ethiopia

Dear Madam, dear Sir,

in September 2009, we – that means Prof. Dr. Kurt Beck, Dr. Magnus Treiber and Délia Nicoué M.A. – started our research project "Dynamic worlds of imagination – learning processes, knowledge and communication among young urban migrants from Eritrea and Ethiopia" (https://www.ethnologie.uni-bayreuth.de/de/research/running_projects/Dynamische_Vorstellungswelten/index.html).

The research project is located at the Chair of Anthropology at Bayreuth University and part of the research network "migration and knowledge" ('formig'). It is funded by the 'Bavarian State Ministry of Sciences, Research and the Arts' until August 2012.

In our research we since have met numerous refugees and migrants from Eritrea and Ethiopia in Bayreuth, Nürnberg and München, but also in Shimelba and Addis Ababa, Khartoum, Cairo, Jerusalem and in Istanbul. Unsurprisingly our research has shown that young refugees and migrants from Eritrea and Ethiopia, who set off into an often risky and dangerous migration, pass through different stations of migration and experience an environment of uncertainty, precariousness and humiliation. We now believe that migrants' knowledge, their perceptions and their habitual ways of dealing with the world evolve along their passage to Europe. We think that refugees and migrants, who have arrived in Germany, their situation and specific problems, cannot be understood without looking at these dynamic worlds of imagination, knowledge and experiences.

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On 15 January 2011, we therefore would like to invite refugees and migrants from both countries, activists and representatives from related human rights organizations, refugee and anti-racist initiatives and self-help-groups as well as concerned lawyers to Bayreuth in order to present and to discuss our preliminary findings. Your participation, critique and advice, which we would highly appreciate, would help us to see if our findings are plausible and well researched. Your voice would serve the common cause of Eritrean and Ethiopian refugees and migrants in Germany, whose plight is not always recognized by German authorities and society.

Please come to our workshop and use the opportunity for discussion and critique, you are warmly welcome. The workshop's language will be English, but also German, Tigrinya and Amharic will be understood. For organizational reasons we would like to ask you for confirmation until 20 Dec 2010 via e-mail (delia.nicoue@uni-bayreuth.de), phone (0921-55-4845 or 4110) or mail (see above). The workshop will take place at the Iwalewa-Haus, Münzgasse 9, 95444 Bayreuth (http://www.iwalewa.uni-bayreuth.de/kurzinfos.htm). You will be invited for lunch and coffee break. In case of need rail tickets can be provided.

Kind regards, Kurt Beck, Magnus Treiber & Délia Nicoué

Dynamic worlds of imagination — learning processes, knowledge and communication among young urban migrants from Eritrea and Ethiopia

Stakeholder-Workshop 15.01.2010 Iwalewa-Haus, Münzgasse 9, 95444 Bayreuth

Program	
10 – 10.30	Welcome and Introduction (Prof. Dr. Kurt Beck)
10.30 – 12.30	Presentation of our Research project (Prof. Dr. Kurt Beck, Dr. Magnus Treiber)
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch (at Iwalewa-Haus)
13.30 – 14.30	Presentation of Field Research and Preliminary Findings (Dr. Magnus Treiber, Délia Nicoué M.A.)
14.30 – 15	Coffee Break (at Iwalewa-Haus)
15 – 16	General Discussion

Confirmation (until 20 Dec 2010)

Yes, I will take part in the stakeholder-workshop on the ongoing research project "Dynamic worlds of imagination – learning processes, knowledge and communication among young urban migrants from Eritrea and Ethiopia" ('migration and knowledge, formig'), 15 January 2011, 10.00-16.00, Iwalewa-Haus, Münzgasse 9, 95444 Bayreuth.

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