

New Time-Space Relations in the Era of Mass Global Immigrations

Hassan Poornik

Institution of Social and Cultural Studies, Tehran, Iran

The mass movement of people from poor and socio-political unstable countries toward rich countries has become a new feature of our world in the first decades of 21. Century. New time-space formations also have been constructed around this new-coming mass movement that required to be considered and analyzed by social scientists. The article aims to address this new global phenomenon from a temporal/spatial perspective, arguing that we face new and specific time and space orders related to immigration routes and camps. It recognizes certain features of new time-space order, the factors involved in their construction and identifies immigrants as those who have constructed and maintained this new kind of order by their practices - loaded with altered emotional and ideal investments: hope and fear.

Keywords: Mass Global Immigration, Time-Space Relations, Immigrants, Nation-States, International Organization, NGOs.