The EU Centre at RMIT presents a Public Lecture: “Germany’s Current Migration and Integration Policies within the European Framework”

Establishing a competitive framework for skilled migration and integrating arriving migrants are political and societal challenges for many major economies, especially for countries with ageing populations like Germany. Unlike Australia Germany is not seen as a “classic” immigration country, although it has received and welcomed millions of migrants during the last decades.

In the last couple of years, Germany has implemented major changes to its migration settings and moved towards a more active and comprehensive integration approach. In the presentation “Germany’s Current Migration and Integration Policies within the European Framework” recent developments in Germany and the European Union will be put into a historic perspective: from the West German “Wirtschaftswunder” of the 1950s and 1960s and the guest worker schemes to the new EU Blue Card. With regards to integration policies, the presentation includes the former “Multikulti” debate up to the latest developments.

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