

Automated Decision Making (ADM) in Migration Services: Mapping what is happening and what we know

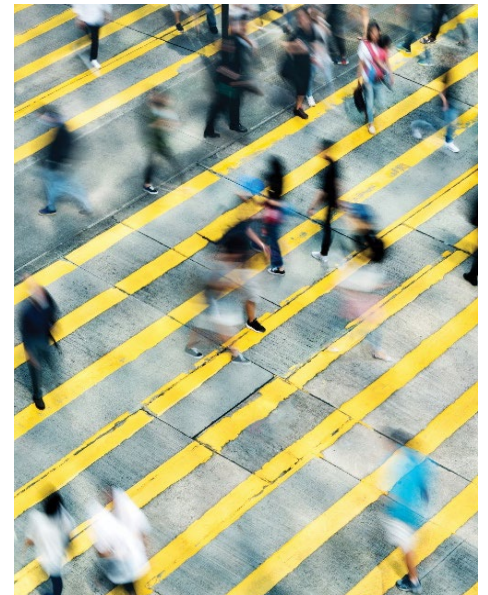
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3.30PM- 5PM (AEST)

The University of Sydney New Law Building
Camperdown, NSW and Online

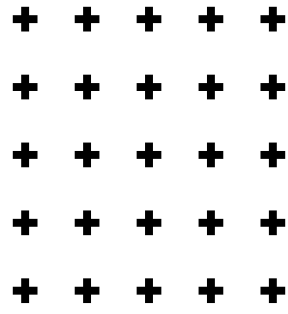
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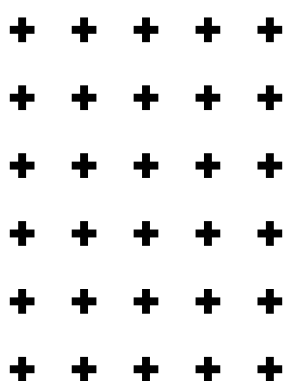
From the rise of digital borders to introduction of AI capabilities in visa processing and social welfare access, ADM is increasingly being used to enhance and automate parts of decision-making processes in migration. This interactive roundtable discussion is designed to map what we know about the use and effects of ADM in migration programs and services around the world and in Australia. The purpose of this event is to develop a shared understanding of the key emerging issues with the intent of shaping the research agenda for the ARC Centre of Excellence for Automated Decision Making and Society (ADM+S). The discussion will cover the following topics:

- Where is ADM being (or touted to be) used in migration programs and services?
- In what way is ADM being used (e.g. screening; decision support; resource allocation; matching; risk assessment; risk reduction)?
- How do practitioners, policy advocates, and administrators engage with such ADM?
- How do service users understand and experience processes that involve the use of ADM?

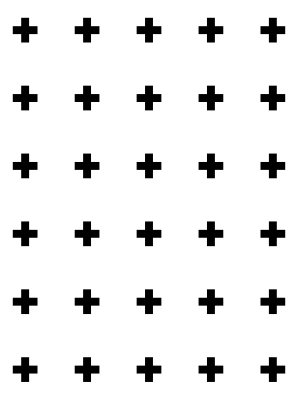


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| 3.30PM- 3.35PM | <i>Introduction & Acknowledgement of Country</i> Professor Paul Henman | + | + |
| 3.35PM- 4.25PM | <i>What we know and what is happening</i> Prof Heather Horst (Western Sydney University, CI ADM+S) Dr Louis Everuss (University of South Australia) Associate Professor Daniel Ghezelbash (UNSW) Dr Tuba Bircan (Wellcome Connecting Science, UK) | | |
| 4.25PM- 4.40PM | <i>Voices from the Field: Identifying key topics</i> Dr Magdalena Arias Cubas (Red Cross Red Crescent Global Migration Lab) Arif Hussein (Refugee Advice and Casework Service) | | |
| 4.40PM- 5PM | <i>Discussion: Identifying key topics and developing a research agenda</i> | | |



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Event Speakers



Dr Louis Everuss

**University of South
Australia**

Dr Louis Everuss is a Research Associate and Coordinator at the UniSA Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence, University of South Australia, where he also teaches across the sociology program. Dr Everuss' primary research interests are located in the sociological study of mobilities, sovereignty, migration, globalization and climate change.



**A/Prof Daniel
Ghezlbash**

UNSW

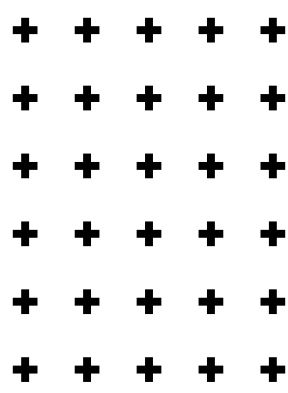
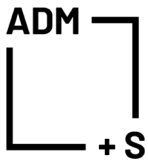
Daniel is Associate Professor and the Deputy Director of the Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law at UNSW Sydney, and the lead of the Access to Justice and Technology Stream at the UNSW Allens Hub for Technology, Law and Innovation. His ARC DECRA project examines fast-track asylum policies, and whether it is possible to design procedures which are both fair and efficient.



Prof Heather Horst

WSU

Professor Heather A. Horst is the Director of the Institute for Culture and Society at Western Sydney University and a CI of the ARC CoE ADM+S. A sociocultural anthropologist by training, she researches material culture and the mediation of social relations through digital media and technology. This has included a focus upon Windrush generation migrants returning to Jamaica from England, the use of mobile phones on the border of Haiti and the Dominican Republic and the integration of digital media amongst migrant families in Australia.



Dr Tuba Bircan

**Vrije Universiteit
Brussel**

Dr Bircan is an Assistant Professor of Sociology. As a proud migrant who has worked and lived in Turkey, Germany, Belgium, and the Netherlands, her scholarly interests cover a wide range from public perception and attitudes towards new technologies, ethical and trustworthy AI, use and governance of Big Data and AI for global challenges to diversity, migration, gender, inequalities, equal opportunities, and social and public policies.



**Dr Magdalena Arias
Cubas**

**Red Cross Red Crescent
Global Migration Lab**

Dr Arias Cubas is Senior Research Officer of the Red Cross Red Crescent Global Migration Lab and has previously been an Associate Research Fellow at the Alfred Deakin Institute for Citizenship and Globalisation.

Her postgraduate research explored the key social, economic and political inequalities that affect the mobility and wellbeing of populations such as Indigenous people and 'irregular' migrants within and across borders.



Arif Hussein

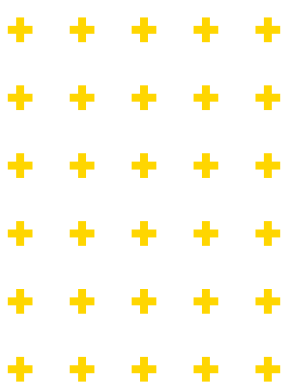
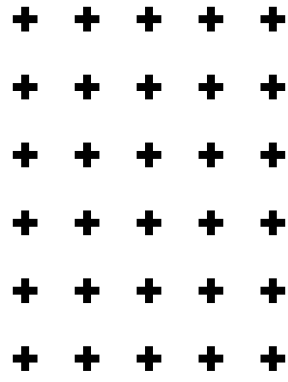
**Refugee Advice &
Casework Service (RACS)**

Arif Hussein is a Supervising Senior Solicitor at RACS in Sydney where he leads the Centre's policy and advocacy work, and the Centre's judicial review referral service. He has spent over 7 years working with refugees and people seeking asylum both in Australia and in Australia's Regional Processing Centre on Manus Island, Papua New Guinea.

In August 2021, following the fall of Kabul to the Taliban, Arif co-led a national campaign to ensure that the Australian government fulfilled its moral obligations to the people of Afghanistan.



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