Skilled international migration, information technology communication (ICT) and the development of the country of origin: understanding the multiple meanings of the ICT in the context of globalization, migrations and localities

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Introduction

- A brief overview of the debate on international skilled migration, globalization, localities and ICT
- Brain drain or changing skilled international migration patterns?
- Is methodological nationalism relevant for in-depth understanding of the contemporary societies?
Introduction

• What are the impacts of globalization, ICT, migration policies, sociopolitical transformations on international migration and on the understanding of skilled international migration?

• Skilled international migration, ICT and development of the country of origin: understanding the theoretical, methodological and policy stakes
Theoretical and methodological frameworks

- Network theory
- Transnationalism
- The stages of the research methodology
Preliminary findings

- A brief state of art of Senegalese international migration
- Internet as a mean of social re-inclusion
- Internet as a space of belonging and citizenship
- Internet, where hidden and practical meanings and initiatives intersect
- Internet, beyond fascination: worries
Preliminary findings

- Internet: A factor of brain drain, brain gain or return migration?
- Initiatives with regard to skilled migration, ICT and homeland development
Conclusion, suggested policies and research agenda

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- Suggested policies
- Research agenda
Thanks for your attention

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