

Refugees and Radicalisation

Many asylum seekers are Muslim, so migration is a major factor in the growth of Europe's Muslim population. This seminar will first look at the links between EU asylum policy and radicalization. Second it will look at how God's command to love the other plays a major deterrent in radicalization.

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I. Introduction

A. Muslim numbers among Immigrants and asylum seekers

B. Differences between immigrants and asylum seekers

C. Asylum policy fosters radicalization

II. The EU asylum policy

A. Overview of the asylum process

B. Development of the asylum policy and its results

C. Cause and effect of the policy in regards to radicalization.

III. God's command to love and welcome the stranger is the greatest deterrent of radicalization

A. God's heart is for the nations

B. Offers a new basis for belonging

C. Transforms perspective & gets involved practically

IV. Conclusion, Questions & Discussion

Suggested Resources & Readings:

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