

Transnational migrant families living between Ghana and The Netherlands: When parents migrate and children stay behind

Emerging findings and policy implications of the TCRA project

POLICY ROUNDTABLE – June 26 2014
De Kandelaar, Bijlmerdreef 1239, Amsterdam

Program	
12:45 – 13:15	Registration and drinks
13:15 – 13:30	Welcome and introduction by <i>Prof. Takyiwaa Manuh (University of Ghana)</i>
13:30 – 14:00	TCRA project findings by <i>Prof. Valentina Mazzucato (Maastricht University)</i>
14:00 – 15:00	<p>Panel session 1: Impact of family separation on stay behind family members: Experiences of caregivers and children Chair: <i>Prof. Takyiwaa Manuh</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Stephen Adu (Director of Basic Education Division, Ministry of Education, Ghana)</i> • <i>Daniel Essah (Teacher, Mfantsipim school, Ghana)</i> • <i>Agnes Kroes (Counselor and Refugee Advisor, Montessori College Oost, The Netherlands)</i> • <i>Gerda Langerveld (Teacher of new arriving children, Primary School De Nellestein, The Netherlands)</i> • <i>Joke Meijerink (Counselor, Buro Nieuwkomers, The Netherlands)</i> <p>Discussion with the audience (30 minutes)</p>
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break
15:30 – 16:30	<p>Panel session 2: Immigration policies and transnational parenting Chair: <i>Prof. Mariama Awumbila (University of Ghana)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Corine de Klerk (Lawyer, Law Firm de Binnenstad, The Netherlands)</i> • <i>Prosper Asima (Assistant Director of Immigration, Ghana Immigration Service, Ghana)</i> • <i>Michel Bravo (Strategic Advisor, Deputy Head of Legal and General Affairs, Ministry of Security and Justice, The Netherlands)</i> • <i>Doris Vidda (CEO, Vice Versa Foundations, The Netherlands)</i> <p>Discussion with the audience (30 minutes)</p>
16:45 – 17:15	Theatrical Interlude by <i>Ghana Aghoro Mma</i> , a Ghanaian cultural foundation
17:15 – 17:45	<p>General Discussion Moderator: <i>Prof. Takyiwaa Manuh</i></p>
17:45 – 18:00	Closing
18:00 – 20:30	Drinks & buffet dinner