

# From Sovereignty to Solidarity

Discussion with  
Harald Bauder

**12th of July 2023**

**18:00-19:30**

**Book presentation and  
joint discussion with  
Harald Bauder**

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In his book *From Sovereignty to Solidarity* (Routledge 2022) Harald Bauder re-imagines human mobility in ways that are de-linked from national sovereignty. Using examples from around the world, he examines contemporary practices of solidarity to illustrate what such a conceptualization of human mobility looks like. Bauder suggests that urban and local scales, rather than the national scale, is a better way to frame human migration and belonging. The book ultimately proposes that solidarity, rather than sovereignty, offers an alternative approach to imagine how human mobility should, and already does, occur.

He will talk about his book and his theses with Mouna Maaroufi and Helge Schwiertz (both researchers at Universität Hamburg and the project *Enacting Citizenship and Solidarity in Europe „From Below“*).

## Harald Bauder

Harald Bauder is a Professor in the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies and in the Graduate Program for Immigration and Settlement Studies at X University (formerly Ryerson University) in Toronto, Canada, and a Senior Fellow of the Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies, Germany. Furthermore, he leads the international project *Urban Sanctuary, Migrant Solidarity and Hospitality in Global Perspective (Soli\*City)*.

**13th of July 2023**

**09:30 – 15:00**

**Workshop “Solidarity  
and local political  
initiatives in the social  
fields of migrations”**

Warburg-Haus  
Heilwigstraße 116  
20249 Hamburg  
(U1 and U3 Kellinghusenstraße)

As a follow-up to the presentation of his current book on the previous evening, the workshop with Harald Bauder will provide space to discuss concepts of solidarity, especially in the context of cities.

We will examine how practices, relations or institutions of solidarity are created and transformed by local political initiatives in social fields of migration, with a special focus on how migration is linked to social fields such as housing or care. In light of the particular local, socio-economic and institutional contexts, we discuss the analytical potential of different concepts of solidarity (such as transversal or place-based solidarities, solidarity cities), but also consider how research perspectives can be broadened by linking them to other concepts such as (urban) citizenship, commons, or non-Eurocentric terms.

## Registration

To participate in the workshop, please send an email to [ecseuro-office.wiso@uni-hamburg.de](mailto:ecseuro-office.wiso@uni-hamburg.de) (participation depends on the number of available places).

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