**Submission to P2P national conference 23-24th November 2020**

**English**

**Title of Session:** **Building resilient systems to support International students in Canada**

**Format:** Presentation Panel – one hour

**Session Description:**

Join researchers, working with the Building Migrant Resilience in Cities-*Immigration et résilience en milieu urbain* (BMRC-IRMU) SSHRC-funded partnership, to discuss their work regarding international students in Ontario and Quebec. Specifically, the focus will be on addressing migration and settlement trends and the need for coordination between educational institutions and off-campus communities to foster international student resilience.

**Learning Outcomes:**

Participants will gain a stronger appreciation of research and theory related to theories of resilience, their applicability to the experiences of international students in Canada, and how the idea of resilience is relevant to the systems that support international students in Canada. Furthermore, the idea of the intelligent career will be examined, and its application in a practical and relevant context to international students will be explored.

**How Session Aligns with Conference Theme:**

Researchers will discuss how campus educators and advisors can provide appropriate counselling with respect to mental health, linguistic mastery, financial health, and career prospects. The panel will consider how they can develop a sustainable and collaborative approach to international education, with heightened understanding of the varying needs of diverse international student populations.

**Chair Dr Valerie Preston**

**Dr. Francine Schlosser** is the Academic Chair of the BMRC Windsor city network. She holds the Odette Professorship in Entrepreneurship and Innovation at the Odette School of Business at the University of Windsor. She will discuss the results of her research on how to facilitate intelligent career pathways for international students.

**Dr. Margaret Walton-Roberts** is a team member of the Kitchener-Waterloo City network and leader of the international student working group. She will discuss building resilience into the systems that support international students, using examples from the college and university sector.

**Dr. Luisa Veronis** are the Academic co-Chairs of the BMRC Ottawa-Gatineau city network. They will share findings on the challenges graduate international students face and the supports they mobilize in relation to their migration trajectories, financial circumstances, and employment prospects.

**Dr. Sutama Ghosh** is a member of the Toronto city network. She will share her findings about the migration experiences of international students from India in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA), specifically demonstrating the intricate pathways through which they come to choose to attend specific public and private colleges in the GTA. Her research will reveal complex interconnections between transnational agencies and organizations in this regard.

**No. of Presenters**: 4

**Abstract:**

Join researchers, working with the Building Migrant Resilience in Cities SSHRC-partnership to discuss their work regarding international students in Ontario and Quebec, specifically addressing migration and settlement trends and the need for coordination between educational institutions and off-campus communities to boost international student and wider system resilience.