

IMMART Research Participation

RESEARCH PROJECT

Living With Others: Fostering Cultural Pluralism Through Citizenship Politics

A five-year research study funded by a grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) investigates why, how and under what conditions some communities are more open to cultural difference than others; what types of projects facilitate openness to newcomers and how do citizens and non-citizens participate in these projects in ways that transform understandings of citizenship and belonging. Rather than focusing on barriers to integration, the project will contribute to policy relevant scholarship that examines successful community initiatives across several European countries that foster living with cultural plurality and investigates why some communities, rather than acting in reactionary ways, open their communities to newcomers instead. Read more [here](#).

The research is conducted by Dr Kim Rygiel (Department of Political Science, Wilfrid Laurier University) and Dr Feyzi Baban (Departments of International Development Studies and Political Studies, Trent University).

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- Copenhagen (DK), 2017. **Interview** with the principal researchers on IMMART - the foundations, the impact, the successes and challenges.
- Berlin (DE), 2018. **Presentation** of IMMART - creating an inclusive network without excluding - at a project workshop.
- IMMART presented as a good practice case study in the [Istanbul Foundation for Culture and Arts \(İKSVA\)](#) seventh **annual cultural policy report**. The aim of the publication is to enrich the exchange of ideas about arts and culture, to increase the participation of artists and art enthusiasts in this dialogue, and to contribute to the development of cultural policies. Read the 2018 report [here](#) (see pp.80-83).
- IMMART to produce a **book chapter** for a forthcoming (2019/20) Palgrave Macmillan publication based on the Living with Others research project.