



Institute for the Study of International Migration
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POLICY BRIEFING

***Guestworkers from Policy and Field Perspectives:
Problems with the solution***

When:

Friday, November 30, 2007
8 am, Continental Breakfast
8:30 to 10:00 Program

Where:

Georgetown University Law Center
McDonough Hall
600 New Jersey Ave., N.W.
Washington, DC, 20001
Room 437

Who:

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Agenda and Presenters

Recent proposals for comprehensive immigration reform included discussions of expanded guestworker programs. The nation's current guestworker programs for primarily low-wage, low-skilled workers, the H-2A (for agricultural workers) and the H-2B program (for nonagricultural workers) have been controversial and challenged on a number of grounds. This briefing will feature a talk by Dr. David Griffith (East Carolina) based on over twenty years of research on the H-2A and H-2B programs. His presentation will examine how the program has evolved in employment settings, including social and cultural developments in the regions where H-2 workers are employed, and how workers have complied with and resisted the terms of their employment. Dr. Elżbieta Goździak (Georgetown) will discuss the effects of global and local factors on the demand for temporary and permanent low-skilled workers in the rural Shenandoah Valley.

RSVP & Directions

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