

Transnational Active Citizens: The Experiences of One-and-half and Second Generation Somalis in London

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The thesis focuses on a puzzle specific to one-and-half and second generation Somali youth in London while addressing the dialectic interaction between the host society and the community through active citizenship and civic participation spanning across numerous national borders. Various but critical theories are juxtaposed to analyze and understand motives and causes of movements as well as processes of settlements, integration and transnational engagements. Hence, the study is informed by theories of international migration, which are used as conceptual and analytical frameworks. In particular, the study relies on the interrelated concepts of forced migration, transnationalism, diaspora and (active) citizenship.