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How do young people perceive migration and activism?

Join us for a seminar with **Prof. Miri Yemini from Technion Israel Institute of Technology** to explore how Generation Z across six countries understands migration, citizenship, and their role in shaping society. Discover the "citizenship vocabularies" young people use to engage with pressing social issues and how youth activism is evolving in a rapidly changing world.

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Abstract: Migration profoundly shapes the lives of young people and is a polarising and contentious topic in contemporary public discourse. In this seminar I show how Generation Z young people in six countries understand both migration and activist efforts related to migration issues. Employing Thorson's (2012) concept of 'citizenship vocabularies,' I document and analyse young people's perceptions of activism in relation to migration, as well as the resources, narratives, and frameworks they use to make sense of migration, citizenship, and civic life, to contribute to debates around youth activism, citizenship education, and migration. The study adds depth to our understanding of the development of a disposition towards activism within young people, and how the current generation of youth engage with polarising social issues.

About Prof. Miri Yemini : Professor Miri Yemini leads a research group focusing on global dimensions of education. The research group conducts multidisciplinary studies aimed at understanding policy-making processes in the field of education, examining the practices of various stakeholders in educational systems worldwide, and proposing approaches to enhance educational practices within and beyond schools. Between the years 2023 and 2028, Professor Yemini is leading a large international research funded by the European Research Council, with the goal of studying youth activism in diverse contexts, including climate crisis and human rights. Research within the group belongs to the fields of comparative education and sociology of education. Researchers in the group come from different countries, diverse disciplinary backgrounds, and various fields of interest.

The seminar will be held in English.