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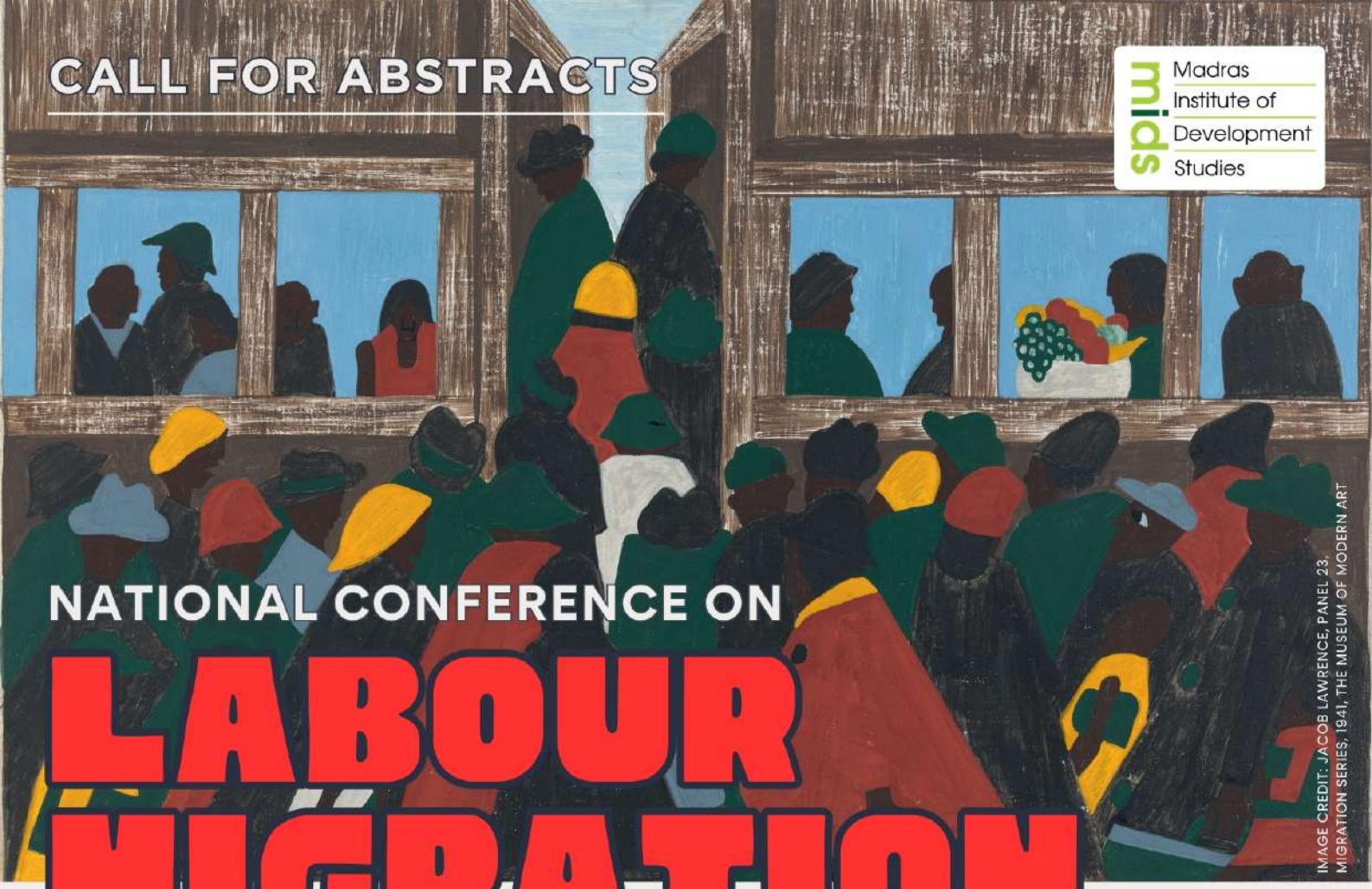

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This Conference seeks to focus on the changing relationship between mobility, work and development, with particular emphasis on India. Bringing together scholars, policymakers and practitioners across social science disciplines, the conference will provide a platform to critically engage with emerging forms of labour migration, changing employment regimes, gendered mobilities, migrant cities, social protection, migration governance and digital transformation. It aims to advance interdisciplinary research and policy dialogue towards decent work, inclusive labour markets, social protection and more equitable and sustainable migration governance.

Extended abstracts are invited from the scholars, faculty members, and practitioners on the following themes:

1. Labour Migration and the Future of Work: Precarity, Skills and New Employment Regimes
2. Gendered Mobilities: Women, Migration and Care Economies
3. Migrant Cities: Urbanisation, Labour Markets and Inclusive Urban Futures
4. Migrant Well-being and Social Protection: Health, Rights and Decent Work
5. Governing Mobility: Migration Policy, Labour Rights and Inclusive Migration Regimes
6. Digital Mobilities and the Transformation of Migrant Work

IMPORTANT DATES

Last date to apply	**October 10, 2026**
Decision on Applications	October 31, 2026
Full Paper Submission	November 30, 2026
Registration Deadline	December 20, 2026

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