



Sociological Perspectives on (Sexual) Humanitarian Governance of Migrant Sex Work

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Contemporary times are characterised by the convergence of the inequalities engendered by neoliberal policies and the parallel increase in both migration flows and restrictive migration policies. They are also characterised by the global rise of neo-abolitionist policies attempting to eradicate sex work, framed as sexual exploitation and trafficking, which often translates into harmful policies exacerbating the exploitability and deportability of marginalized, racialized and sex-gendered migrant groups. This convergence is the background for the emergence of sexual humanitarian forms of governance, control and protection of migrant sex workers, whose understandings and experiences of agency, exploitation and trafficking tend to be marginalized and ignored by global academic and policymaking debates.





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