

# *Transnational mobility desires and discourses: young people from return-migrant families negotiate intergenerationality, mobility capital and place embeddedness*

Maynooth University Department of Geography invites  
you to attend a seminar presented by:



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**Date:** 29th March - **FRIDAY (note change)**

**Time:** 4pm

**Location:** Rocque Lab, Rhetoric House

In this seminar I will draw on research conducted over ten years with young adults who migrated to Ireland as children with their return-migrant parents during the Celtic Tiger period.

I explore how, as young adults, they envisage and navigate their unfolding im/mobility pathways. In a context where transnational mobility experience is highly valued and celebrated, they draw on their mobility capital as former migrants to self-position as knowledgeable mobile subjects. However, precisely because of their personal and family mobility resources, their engagements with discourses of hypermobility are selective – simultaneously claiming the cultural capital of transnational mobility and de-fetishising it by producing grounded interpretations that value place embeddedness.



The paper sheds light on some of the tensions of contemporary youth mobilities in contexts of globalisation, uncertainty and migration.

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