# Life Beyond Refuge: Ukrainian Refugees with Disabilities Navigating Life in Warsaw and Bucharest

Warsaw, 29.06.2026

Civitas University, Palace of Culture and Science, XII floor, room 1222

9:00 – 9:30 – Registration and coffee

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**CIVITAS: Welcome**

**Understanding migrant realities. Overview of the project**: Monika Nowicka (Uniwersytet Civitas)

10:00-12:30

**Findings: the MIGRAEDU report and its spin-offs**

*A new me? Stigma, discrimination and redefinition of identity*
Monika Nowicka (Uniwersytet Civitas)

*Refugees with Disabilities and the Salience of their Framework of Reference*
Florentina Mihalce, Mara Cace, Lucian Dinu, Alexandra Deliu, Bogdan Voicu (ICCV Romanian Academy)

*Going forward, looking back in uncertain times. Future (im)mobility intentions of Ukrainian refugees with disabilities*
Alexandra Deliu, Bogdan Voicu (ICCV Romanian Academy), Omoye Akhagba, Monika Nowicka (Uniwersytet Civitas)

*Coping mechanisms and life strategies of refugees with disabilities*
Omoye Akhagba (Uniwersytet Civitas)

*Service providers' perspectives on support for refugees with disabilities*
Kunegunda Turczyńska, Bianka Szymańska & Dobrosława Cieślak-Powałowska (Uniwersytet Civitas)

LUNCH BREAK – 45 min

13:15-14:45

**MIGRAEDU: research-led teaching**

*Brief overview: how to develop teaching materials based on research findings*
Monika Nowicka (Uniwersytet Civitas)

*Learning on their own terms: how students engage with research-based online courses*
Magdalena Tędziagolska, Zofia Łęcka (Badania i Działania)

*Research-led teaching in practice: evaluation of the teaching materials*
Katarzyna Krakowska (Uniwersytet Łódzki, Uniwersytet Civitas)

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COFFEE BREAK – 15 min

15:00-16:15

**Ethics in researching and teaching on refugees: experiences from the fieldwork**

*Challenges of interviewing people under recent trauma*
Darya Yusupova (Universitatea din București)

*Empathy, sensitivity, and emotional (dis)engagement in research involving refugees*
Ivan Posylnyi (Badania i Działania, Instytut Etnologii i Antropologii Kulturowej, Uniwersytet Warszawski)

*Ethical dilemmas in managing sensitive data*
Alexandra Deliu (ICCV Romanian Academy), Omoye Akhagba (Uniwersytet Civitas)

16:15 – 16:30

**Closing remarks**: Bogdan Voicu (ICCV Romanian Academy)

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