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Migrants navigating a maze

The everyday life of migrants is characterised by constant uncertainty. Many move from one country as refugees or for other reasons to another place. What kind of knowledge and understanding of the world is it possible to form under these harsh conditions? That is the question posed by a new NAI study.

Read interview with NAI researcher Anitta Kynsilehto.

Media aggravates conflicts



By focusing on violence and its victims, the media tends to make conflicts worse. NAI guest researcher Ada Peter is critical of traditional war journalism. Read interview.

Migrants not always better off

Many households in Nigeria have at least one family member living abroad. When they come home for holidays, spending money around them, it is easy to believe they all are successful. This is not always the case, according to NAI guest researcher David Agu. Read interview.

For a fistful of gold

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FARMERS TO MANAGE FOODBANKS

Eight out of ten Africans depend on agriculture for a living. Climate change is now a growing threat. Foodbanks owned and managed by local farmers are one way to adapt to new conditions, concludes Joseph Matuleke in his recent NAI study on farming in Uganda.

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The workers in small-scale gold mines in West Africa see themselves as entrepreneurs, actively developing their expertise and careers. This surprised NAI researcher and anthropologist Cristiano Lanzano when he first entered the gold-mining community.

Read interview.

PUT BUSINESS PRESSURE ON CHINA

More Chinese money in better roads and railways in Africa would make a difference. Efficient transports could take African countries from provider of natural resources to exporters of goods - that's now imported from China.

Read more about how regional African cooperation can do the trick in this <u>NAI-report by Daouda Cissé</u>.

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