

Application for a:	Incoming Scheme NEWFELPRO Fellowship for experienced researcher
Proposal Acronym:	MIGFLOUPADCOWA
Proposal Title:	The migration flows in the Upper Adriatic area during the Cold War. An insight into asylum policies at the border of the Western Bloc
Research area(s):	Social Sciences and Humanities SOC
Research sub-disciplines:	Social-economic-cultural and political history
Category of research:	basic
Duration in months:	24
Keywords:	Migration, Upper Adriatic area, Cold War, asylum policies, transnational relations
Abstract:	<p>This project will focus on the transnational migrations in the Upper Adriatic area in the years from 1954 to 1969. In the post-war decades thousands of migrants and refugees from Eastern Europe were crossing the border yearly into Italy, where they applied for political asylum and they could embark for overseas destinations. Among them, Yugoslav represented a large majority until the early 1960s, when their flow started decreasing. This coincided with a parallel increase in the number of refugees from other Eastern countries, who reached Italy through Yugoslavia. In both the cases, Istria played a primary role due to its geographical proximity and to the historical relations established with Italy. In the concerned period thousands of its inhabitants yearly escaped to Italy or crossed the border legally and not returned. Moreover, Istria was also home to the biggest camps for foreign refugees located in Yugoslavia, thus acting as a transit area.</p>
Does this proposal possess any of the sensitive ethical issues detailed in ethical issues table?	Yes