



Call for Submissions!

Who: Routed is an online publication on migration and (im)mobility. Bridging the divide between specialist academic literature on human mobility and popular portrayals of migration in the media, we hope to bring a fresh, critical perspective to the study of how and why people move.

What: Our sixth issue, on the theme of '**Seeing Like a Poet: Migration Through the Creative Lens**', to be published in **October 2019**.

In the messy world of migration politics, art of various forms has the power to stir debate, promote action and open our imaginations to new political possibilities. In his 1999 book *Seeing Like a State*, James Scott forcefully argued that 'state simplifications', in terms of state numerical and standardised abstractions of people and places, ultimately fail in their attempts to 'improve the human condition'. Turning this argument on its head exactly 20 years later, Routed is seeking creative/artistic pieces that allow us to see migration 'like a poet': revealing the emotions and tensions inherent to both the migrant condition and the ways in which migration is understood and acted upon.

For our 6th issue, Routed seeks to attract creative contributions of the following forms on the theme of migration and (im)mobilities: **Art, Poetry, Photography/Imagery, Maps, Short Stories and Cultural Criticism (book, art, television, film, music reviews)**

We are particularly interested in publishing work that lifts up the voices of people 'on the move' and exploring human (im)mobility in its many varied forms. We are also keen on receiving pieces that analyse current news about migration and (im)mobility, or reflect on cultural production related to these topics.

Articles should address a broad audience, made of experts and non-experts, and should be originally written in English or Spanish.

When: The deadline for proposals is **31st August**.

How: If you are interested in proposing a submission for the sixth issue, please send us a short abstract no longer than 250 words via email to: RoutedMagazine@gmail.com.

Article guidelines:

1. The length of the piece should be between 700 and 1000 words.
2. The article should consistently use British spelling and grammar, if you're writing in English.
3. The simpler the language the better. Try to briefly explain or add links to any concepts, organisations, policies... introduced in the article.
4. Concepts and cited works/legislation/articles should be inserted in the article as hyperlinks.
5. All acronyms should be specified in parentheses.

Some notes on the publication process:

1. After sending your abstract, we will get back to you within a couple of days.
2. First drafts are due on **14th September**, for publication on **19th October**. Once you send us your first draft, your editor will get back to you with their comments, which you will review before publication.
3. The article will be translated and promoted on social media.
4. We understand some of the topics may be highly sensitive. If any writer wishes to remain anonymous, we commit to protecting his or her identity.
5. Please be aware that any opinions you express in your article will be yours alone and not reflect Routed's general stance.