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Keynote Speech on *Higher education internationalization and student mobility*

Deglobalization and the Need to Reimagine Educational Futures

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In recent years, anti-globalization sentiments have been widely promoted around the world. These sentiments suggest that the assumptions regarding the ever-increasing global mobility of capital, people and ideas can no longer be taken for granted, and that the experiences relating to the pandemic, geopolitical tensions and the populist politics have invariably led nations and communities to look inwardly. The idea of de-globalization is now widely invoked to reimagine the future beyond the narratives that were once popularized by the so-called 'globalists'. In this talk, I will consider the various claims associated with the rhetoric of deglobalization and argue that these claims are either mistaken or misguided; and that while the neoliberal imaginary of globalization has indeed become exhausted, another view of globalization is nevertheless possible, based on the realization that in a 'world risk society', as Ulrich Beck called it, most of our current and emerging problems cannot be addressed adequately within the nation-state but require global cooperation, and that higher education has a major role to play in reimagining globalization.

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