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The symposium has been developed on November 13th, and its aim is to explore a diverse set of themes connected to the overall objectives of the MICT project. This is reflected by our speakers who cover issues related to migrant integration from a number of disciplinary perspectives. These include the role of ICT and technology, policy on migrant welfare access, labour market integration, and research identity reflecting the ambitious scope and interdisciplinary of the MICT project.

MICT (Migrant Integration and Technology) was conceived with the goal of designing, developing and deploying tools that address the challenges of migrant integration. In essence of this goal, the project undertakes to co-create migrant ICT-enabled services with migrants, refugees, public sector services, NGOs (Non-Governmental Organizations) and other stakeholders. By involving researchers at the centre of our approach, we address the need to improve and sustain the standards used to access key public services so that they better address the requirements of migrants and refugees.

To achieve this MICT has undertaken the development of a system to capture the specific socio-cultural, economic, and legal contexts of migrants, information that can be shared with public authorities, in order to promote projects and reduce the potential for discrimination and bias. The system acts as a thread, ensuring only information pertinent to the specific task of the public authority is visible, removing elements such as gender, ethnicity and age in circumstances where they have no relevance, opening opportunities for discrimination and unconscious bias.

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