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The three-year research project *Climates of Migration* is a joint project of the Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society and the Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities in Essen (KWI), generously funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research. The project looks at the historical intersections between environmental change and migration and is particularly interested in climate-induced movements of people in the past. Six individual projects, consisting of four dissertations and two postdoctoral projects, will shed light on how, where, and why people have migrated as a result of droughts, cold periods, floods, hurricanes, and other extreme natural events.

The team will also develop a chronological database, CLIMMIGRATION.dat, with examples of environmental migration in the last 500 years, weighing the social and environmental factors that played a role. Both individual research and the collaborative project will focus on three main thematic areas: Climates of Famine, Climates of Colonization, and Disaster Migration.

- Climates of Famine
- Climates of Colonization
- Disaster Migration

Related links:

- Climates of Migration project website
  http://climatesofmigration.wordpress.com/about/
- Climates of Migration project website at the KWI Essen
  http://www.kwi-nrw.de/home/projekt-81.html
- Climates of Migration project website at the RCC
  http://www.carsoncenter.uni-muenchen.de/outreach/research_collab/climates_of_migration/index.html
- Climates of Migration research results database
  http://climatesofmigration.org/about/best-evidences/

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- http://www.kulturwissenschaften.de/en/home/index.html

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