



## **RESUME EN ANGLAIS :**

### **French-German similarities? Asylum seekers' and refugees' reception and integration governance in Berlin and in Paris**

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Since the increase of asylum seekers within the European Union in 2015, numerous cities express solidarity with refugees, adopt local reception and integration programmes and claim a voice within this policy field. While reception and integration policies are prerogatives of the state and of the European Union, local actions challenge the underlying hierarchical relations. In this context, it is not clear if cities enjoy greater power or if they get only more attention. In reference to the literature dealing with governance and the local turn of reception and integration policies, this research investigates agenda settings and decision making in Berlin and Paris from 2015 to 2020. It assesses to what extent policy processes as well as reception and integration policies in both capitals depend on institutional settings between the local and national level, on party and electoral competition and on horizontal interactions between local authorities and non-profit organizations. The research reveals similarities and differences between both cases, and demonstrates the relevance of the local turn, in particular in the case of Paris.