The winner of the Leslie Page Moch Award 2020 is Jessica Steinman for her submission ‘From North-South to East-West: The Demarcation and Reunification of the Vietnamese Migrant Community in Berlin’.

The award ceremony will take place at the ESSHC in March 2021 in Leiden, the Netherlands. For the 2021 conference papers can also be submitted for the Leslie Page Moch award. Deadlines will be announced shortly before the conference. Both winners will receive their prize at the conference - at the Ethnicity and Migration Network meeting.

From the jury report:
The article has been written by a young scholar, Jessica Steinman, who is a PhD Candidate at Universität Leipzig. The author positions herself well. This is a strong point of the article. For her research she interviewed Vietnamese migrants in Germany. The article describes contacts between two groups of Vietnamese: boat people who fled Vietnam (mostly from the South) and contract workers (mostly from the North). The boat people came to West Germany, and the contract workers migrated to East Germany. After the German reunification the boat people met the contract workers, but two communities developed rather than one, although groups did reach out to each other. The author thus makes a double comparison: the migration of South and North Vietnamese and the policies of East and West Germany. Such a double comparison is rare.

The winning article will be published in the Journal of Migration History. The Journal of Migration History is international peer reviewed A class journal with ANVUR, ERIH PLUS and Scopus status. The JMH accepts Open Access. For authors based in the Netherlands open access publishing is at no cost to the author. The JMH appears three times per year. Over a hundred University libraries have access to the JMH.