

Review of: "Post-Conflict Reconstruction: How Social Identity Change Informs our Understanding of the Ukrainian Experience of Forced Migration"

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This is an important paper that deals with a timely topic: the lived experiences and identity reconstruction of individuals after forced migration. I really enjoyed reading it. Especially, the methodology section is complete and thorough, and I think the 'talking stones' approach really fits with identifying social identities.

Perhaps you can already give us a short description of your main findings in the introduction text, as well as an explanation of how your study adds to and/or challenges what we already know about the role of social identity in post-migration experiences.

Because the social identity approach is already discussed under 'stress and wellbeing in a post-migration context', maybe you can define what you mean by social identity earlier on in the manuscript.

The sub-theme communication seems to be more about language and language proficiency instead of communication per se. I also wonder about the role of time in your empirical model. Does one main theme follow the other--are possibility and/or conflict end goals, or is this a cyclical process?