High-level event on Migrations at the UNU Office at UNESCO

On March 5th 2015, Mr. Daniel Rondeau, UNU’s Representative at UNESCO in Paris, organised a high-level event on Migrations. Speakers included the Prime-Minister of Malta, Mr. Joseph Muscat, together with dignitaries from many other sender and receiver countries of international migrants. The Rector of UNU, Dr. David Malone, opened the event with Ms. Nada El Nashif of UNESCO. Parvati Nair, Director of UNU-GCM, chaired the afternoon session that included a talk on mobilities in the context of globalization by Professor Bertrand Badie of Sciences Po, France.

Valeria Bello contributes to UNU Workshop on Governance

On March 5th and 6th 2015, Valeria Bello, UNU-GCM Research Fellow, participated in a ‘Workshop on Governance and Post-2015’, which took place at UNU-EHS, in Bonn, Germany. This event gathered researchers working on governance from several UNU Institutes. On this occasion, Valeria Bello was invited to speak about the activities developed by the UNU Migration Network, offering her expertise as Coordinator of the Network. The Network, a recent initiative led by UNU-GCM, has successfully connected UNU Institutes working on the theme of migration.

UNU-GCM participates in Mediterranean Futures workshop

UNU-GCM was pleased to participate in the ‘Mediterranean Futures’ workshop, held at the headquarters of the Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean on 24th March 2015. The event brought together international research institutes and Barcelona-based organisations to discuss Euro-Mediterranean challenges, identify trends and evaluate policy options in the region twenty years after the Barcelona Process.

Portraits of Denial and Desire: Travelling Photographic Exhibition

UNU-GCM is collaborating with the Barcelona Provincial Council Network of Municipal Libraries (led by the Gerència de Serveis de Biblioteques de la Diputació de Barcelona), which is hosting a travelling photographic exhibition on Palestinian refugees entitled ‘Portraits of Denial and Desire’ by John Halaka. The travelling exhibition will move between different public libraries in the network. More information on the exhibition and its schedule can be found here.

Vacancy: UNU-GCM Visiting Researchers Programme

UNU-GCM is currently accepting applications for three postdoctoral visiting researcher positions to contribute to the ongoing UNU-GCM programme of research on Female Agency, Mobility and Socio-cultural Change. Each position is for a period of three months and is based in the UNU-GCM office in Barcelona. Applications must be received by 14th April 2015. More information on this programme can be found on the UNU-GCM website.

Conference Call: Female Agency, Mobility and Socio-cultural Change

UNU-GCM will be hosting an international conference for its third research programme on Female Agency, Mobility and Socio-cultural Change on June 11th and 12th 2015. The conference will focus on themes such as women, diasporas and transnationalism, gender and migrant labour, mobilities and mobilisations of women, and female migrants and sociocultural change, bringing academic perspectives into dialogue with international policy and civil society debates. Further information on the conference and the call for papers can be found on the UNU-GCM website.