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Statelessness and Transcontinental Migration Research Launched

UNU-GCM has launched its new Research Programme on Statelessness and Transcontinental Migration. While work continues to be carried out for the Migration, Media and Intercultural Dialogue Research Programme, UNU-GCM has now also begun to concentrate on its next line of work. It has marked this with a successful event, *Una Tierra de Acogida* and the publication of the first of its second series of Policy Reports.

Una Tierra de Acogida: Open Forum Event

UNU-GCM marked International Human Rights Day on 10th December 2013 in Barcelona, joined by a range of expert participants and members of the public, to discuss the areas in which Spain can contribute to the development of international good practice in the protection of vulnerable migrants. The event began with the oral testimonies of three members of the asylum-seeking and refugee community in Barcelona. Following this, coming from Madrid were Joaquín Támara, Subdirector of the Office of Asylum in the Spanish Ministry of the Interior and Juan Carlos Arnáiz, Associated Protection Official of the Delegation of UNHCR in Spain. From Barcelona were Xavier Alonso, Head of Foreign Affairs and Labour Relations of the Directorate for Immigration at the Generalitat and Estel·la Pareja, Director of the Catalan Commission for Refugee Assistance. The discussion was wide-ranging and interesting and will be available in video from www.gcm.unu.edu. Transcriptions and translations of the interventions are already available.

Statelessness and Transcontinental Migration Policy Reports available

The first Policy Reports in the second series: Statelessness and Transcontinental Migration will are now available from the UNU-GCM website. These present the results of the first investigations carried out as part of the Statelessness and Transcontinental Migration Research Programme. The reports currently available offer an introduction to the international framework for statelessness, looking at the situation in general, and examining some matters of particular interest to the analysis of the situation for stateless persons.

Profile: Haruno Nakashiba, Visiting Researcher at UNU-GCM

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Call for Papers: 'noncitizenship'

UNU-GCM are proposing a panel on 'noncitizenship' to the ECPR General Conference in September 2014 and are currently seeking papers to include. Please visit the UNU-GCM website for more information, or contact bloom@unu.edu.

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