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Visit by UNU Vice-Rector and Advisory Board Meeting

UNU-GCM was honoured to welcome Mr. Max Bond, Vice-Rector of the United Nations University, to the Institute on October 5th-6th 2015. During his visit, Mr. Bond met with the Institute's stakeholders, the UNU-GCM team and the Advisory Board. The Institute was also very pleased to welcome new members to its [Advisory Board](#) on the occasion of the Annual Board Meeting on October 5th 2015 and thanks them for their guidance and support.

GCM at the Global Forum on Migration and Development

Parvati Nair, Director of UNU-GCM, was invited by the Turkish Chair of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD) to attend the Opening Ceremony of the 8th GFMD meeting, which took place in Istanbul from October 14th to 16th 2015. She was with other Working Level members of the Global Migration Group, which maintains a close working relationship with the GFMD.

UN 70th Anniversary celebration in Barcelona

Barcelona celebrated the 70th anniversary of the United Nations with an event at the Sant Pau Art Nouveau Site on 23rd October 2015. The event was organised in collaboration with the four UN offices operating at the site: United Nations University Institute on Globalization, Culture and Mobility (UNU-GCM), WHO Barcelona Office for Health Systems Strengthening (WHO/Europe), UN-HABITAT's City Resilience Profiling Programme (UN-HABITAT/CRPP), GWOPA Secretariat Global Water Operators Partnerships Alliance (UN-HABITAT/GWOPA). It featured the participation of government representatives, civil society leaders and the Directors of the four UN agencies, and ended with a concert of world music and a reception. The Sant Pau Art Nouveau site was then illuminated in UN blue with a projection of the UN logo.

Commemoration of UN 70th Anniversary at Palacio Real, Madrid

On October 29th 2015, Parvati Nair attended a commemorative event hosted by King Felipe VI of Spain to mark the 70th anniversary of the United Nations at the Palacio Real in Madrid. The Secretary General of the United Nations, Mr. Ban Ki-moon, was present at this event.

GCM welcomes three research interns

UNU-GCM is pleased to welcome three new interns, Fanny Desvachez, Inés Crosas and Anoosh Soltani, to the Institute for the period October to December 2015. The three interns will be working within GCM's current research programme on *Female Agency, Mobility and Socio-cultural Change*, and contributing to the research and administrative activities of the Institute.

Profile: Aishih Wehbe Herrera, Visiting Researcher

Aishih Wehbe Herrera joined UNU-GCM as a Visiting Researcher in October 2015. She holds a Ph.D in Gender and American Studies from the University of La Laguna and an M.A. in Human Rights from Columbia University. Her research interests include gender and masculinity issues, 'third world' feminism, post-structuralism, hegemony and power, cultural/visual studies, as well as women's human rights and gender-based violence against women. At UNU-GCM, she will examine the situation of Nigerian women who migrate to Europe as sex workers, and are subsequently deported back to Nigeria, using photographic accounts of their daily lives to understand their personal experiences of immigration and human rights violations, but also issues of empowerment, agency and political recognition/resistance.

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