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## UNU Migration Network Statement on International Migrants Day

In honour of International Migrants Day on 18<sup>th</sup> December, the UNU Migration Network has [released a statement](#) highlighting some of the most important migration concerns that must be addressed by future policies. The statement reminds us to place the human rights and wellbeing of migrants at the heart of policy responses.

## Video presentation by GCM Director screened at University for Peace

On December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, the United Nations-mandated University for Peace, based in Costa Rica, hosted a two-day international seminar on 'Strategic Studies and Intelligence for Peace'. GCM Director Parvati Nair offered a video presentation for this seminar on international migration and the importance of upholding the human dignity of migrants.

## Interview with Professor Judith Butler

A video interview with Professor Judith Butler, conducted by GCM Director Parvati Nair, is now available on our [website](#). The interview took place on the occasion of the UNU-GCM Annual Guest Lecture delivered by Judith Butler in November 2015 and held in collaboration with the *Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona* (CCCB).

## New Publications at UNU-GCM

UNU-GCM is pleased to highlight recently published online articles by current team members relating to the Institute's research programme on Female Agency, Mobility and Socio-cultural Change. Yu Kojima draws attention to the [sexual and gender-based violence](#) that Rohingya women face, and their '[lost voices](#)' in current debates on migration. [Jane Freedman](#) and [Janina Pescinski](#) have written on the importance of understanding violence against migrant women, and a new policy report by Megha Amrith on [female migrants in the care sector](#) is now available.

## 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence

In line with our research programme on Female Agency, Mobility and Socio-cultural Change, UNU-GCM ran a social media campaign for the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-based Violence. The campaign brought together timely and important contributions on gender-based violence from GCM team members, highlighting issues such as the importance of language, women with disabilities, migrant women and refugees, and art as activism. A summary of these contributions can be found in this article on '[Women's Rights are Human Rights](#)'.

## Save the Date: UNU Migration Network Conference, 28<sup>th</sup> January 2016

UNU-GCM is pleased to announce the 1<sup>st</sup> UNU Migration Network Conference on '*International Migration and Current Challenges: Transforming the Debate on Human Mobility*', to be held in Barcelona on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2016. Several researchers of the Network will present their work on topics such as human and international security, migration and sustainable development, and gender issues. Further details can be found on [our website](#). We welcome your participation.

## UNU-GCM wishes you a happy holiday season and best wishes for 2016!

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