Publication of New Book by Research Fellow Dr. Megha Amrith

The edited volume ‘Gender, Work and Migration: Agency in Gendered Labour Settings’, co-edited by Dr. Megha Amrith (former UNU-GCM Research Fellow) and Nina Sahraoui has been published in the Routledge series ‘Studies in Migration and Diaspora’. The book is the outcome of a collaboration that emerged from a conference panel on gender and migrant labour held within the ‘Female Agency, Mobility and Socio-Cultural Change’ research programme at UNU-GCM. The collection of articles in the book explore the implications of gendered labour patterns for migrants’ empowerment and experiences of social mobility and immobility, their transnational involvement, and wider familial and social relationships.

Closed Workshop on International Migration

On April 26, UNU-GCM organized a closed workshop titled “Policy-Making on International Migration: Evidence-based Priorities for Good Governance”. The workshop brought together a range of experts on international migration in Spain to share ideas, reflect on priorities in policy-making, and exchange points of view. It opened up a space for interesting debate and discussions from actors at the local, regional, and national levels.

Valeria Bello participates at ISA Annual Convention

Senior Research Fellow Valeria Bello attended the International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention, in San Francisco, USA, to discuss her work regarding the rise of prejudice in Europe. She also participated in a series of live Facebook interviews organized by the International Association for Political Science Students (IAPSS) to debate the most topical contemporary issues with major scholars in the field. You can watch her live interview on the IAPSS Facebook page.

Francisco Cos Montiel presents at Sao Paulo Research Foundation

On April 6, Senior Research Officer Francisco Cos Montiel participated remotely in the launch of the Thematic Atlas on Migration in São Paulo at the São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP) and gave a presentation on the future of migration focusing on important factors including climate change, technological advancement and demographic shifts. In connection with his presentation, Dr. Cos Montiel also gave an interview to Folha de Sao Paulo, which can be accessed here.

Publication of New Policy Report

A new policy report by Jonathan Egeland Harouny has been published, called “The Importance of New Technologies for Modern Migrants”. The report examines the potential of new technologies, such as smartphones, to improve the lives of migrants. By facilitating affordable and easy communication, new technologies enable migrants to stay connected with their origin communities while also establishing themselves in destination communities. The policy report is available on the UNU-GCM website.

Welcoming New Research Intern

The GCM team is pleased to welcome Lorna Casamitjana, an IBEI student who was selected to conduct research on migrant reception centers in Spain under the supervision of Valeria Bello. Lorna’s academic background includes a Bachelor’s degree in Social and Cultural Anthropology, and an ongoing Master’s degree in International Relations.

Save the Date: Roundtable on Globalization and Mobility

UNU-GCM is excited to be hosting a roundtable event on May 22 titled “Globalization and Mobility: a dialogue between Latin America and the Mediterranean”. Researchers and attendees will have an opportunity to exchange experiences and reflections ahead of the Latin America Studies Association (LASA) Conference. More information available here.