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Migration, Media and Intercultural Dialogue: Conference

The Migration, Media and Intercultural Dialogue Conference marked the coming together of UNU-GCM's work within its first research programme. The event lasted for two days and included an address from Mr Joaquim Llimona, Director of International Relations and Cooperation at Barcelona City Hall, and keynote presentations from Prof Iain Chambers and Prof Kevin Robins. Twenty-two papers were given, by a range of scholars and experts and debate among the almost 60 participants was intense. The event ended with the debut screening of *Three Violins*, a film produced by UNU-GCM, exploring intercultural dialogue through music. More detailed information about the event and how to view the film, is available at www.gcm.unu.edu.

Migration, Literature and Intercultural Dialogue: Workshop

On November 14th 2013, UNU-GCM was glad to welcome thirteen writers to participate in a workshop on Migration, Literature and Intercultural Dialogue. The event was chaired by UNU-GCM's Prof Parvati Nair and introduced by Dr Carles Torner of PEN Catalunya. The writers discussed their particular relationships with the languages that they write in. The writers also discussed notions of 'place' and of 'exile'. Overall the discussion was animated and interesting and all agreed that they had learnt from the event.

Migrant Media and Intercultural Dialogue: UNU-GCM and Casa Asia

The 25th November brought a panel of five of Barcelona's migrant journalists to join the Director of Immigration and Interculturality at Barcelona City Council, Ramon Sanahuja i Vélez in the UNU-GCM offices. The event was jointly organised by UNU-GCM and Casa Asia and attracted a diverse public who also brought their own experiences and questions. Those present challenged the fear that some cite, that migrant media may reentrench already closed communities and offered an opportunity to share ideas on how to further enable migrant media in Barcelona to develop its already positive role in the city.

Methodologies of Research: PhD Training seminar

UNU-GCM worked with CIDOB to bring together students for a training seminar on 27th November 2013. Presentations were made by Prof Iain Chambers of "L'Orientale" University of Naples, Prof Kevin Robins of City University, London and Prof Parvati Nair of UNU-GCM. After lunch, UNU-GCM researchers facilitated a discussion among those present regarding how to incorporate policy concerns in research.

Vacancy Announcement: Administrator

An Administrator is sought. More information and how to apply: http://gcm.unu.edu/index.php/about-us/job-vacancies

Upcoming event to mark International Human Rights Day, 10th Dec 2013

Una tierra de acogida: What is Spain's role in the development of international good practice? More information and how to attend: http://gcm.unu.edu/index.php/events/open-forums

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