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UNU joins Global Migration Group

On June 8th 2014, UNU was formally offered membership of the [Global Migration Group \(GMG\)](#). This membership reflects recognition of the valuable expertise on migration offered by the UNU Migration Network. On July 8th 2014, Parvati Nair, Director of UNU-GCM, was present as an observer at the Principals' meeting that took place at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

Statelessness and Transcontinental Migration Conference, UNU-GCM

On July 24th and 25th 2014, UNU-GCM held a two-day international [conference](#) on Statelessness and Transcontinental Migration, the theme of the Institute's second research programme. The event featured two keynote presentations and a range of interesting papers by scholars and experts from diverse disciplinary perspectives. Over 30 institutions from different countries were represented. The conference also featured a photographic exhibition, a documentary screening and the launch of a [website](#) on statelessness.

Photography exhibition by John Halaka at Tasneem Gallery

UNU-GCM and Tasneem Gallery are pleased to present the exhibition 'Portraits of Denial and Desire: Photographic Narratives Of Palestinian Refugees', by Visual Artist, Documentary Filmmaker and Professor of Visual Arts at the University of San Diego, John Halaka. The exhibition will be on from July 25th to August 19th 2014 at Tasneem Gallery, Barcelona. Its opening night, held alongside the UNU-GCM conference on Statelessness and Transcontinental Migration, featured a talk by the artist.

Developing Global Intercultural Dialogue

On 10th July 2014, UNU-GCM Research Fellows, Valeria Bello and Tendayi Bloom, were honoured to discuss 'Developing Global Intercultural Dialogue' at Casa de America in Madrid. They shared a panel with Belén Alfaro Hernández, Ambassador-at-Large for the UNAOC and esteemed colleagues from Complutense University, the event hosts.

UNU-GCM participates in the Academia Europaea conference

UNU-GCM Director, Parvati Nair, chaired a session examining Euro-Mediterranean relationships and cooperation at the [26th Annual Conference of the Academia Europaea](#), held in Barcelona from 14th to 16th July 2014.

New colleagues at UNU-GCM

UNU-GCM is pleased to welcome two new colleagues to its team this month. Dr. Stelios Stavridis, ARAID Senior Research Fellow at the University of Zaragoza, joins the Institute as Honorary Associate Research Fellow and Tatiana Diniz joins as Research and Administrative Assistant.

Profile: Visiting Researcher, Livia Garcia-Faroldi

Livia García-Faroldi is Visiting Researcher at UNU-GCM for the month of July. She is Associate Professor at the Department of Sociology, University of Málaga, researching on the interaction of identities and the process of European integration. At UNU-GCM, she is working with Research Fellow, Valeria Bello, to apply social network analysis to the concept of intercultural dialogue in the United Nations Security Council. She also held a two-day seminar on Social Network Analysis for UNU-GCM researchers, explaining how this methodological technique can be applied to the study of social and political relationships.

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