

Call for Papers
GRITIM-UPF/CIDOB Research Seminar, Barcelona

HUMAN MOBILITY AND GOVERNANCE IN A GLOBAL CONTEXT

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Place: **C/ Elisabets, 12. CIDOB (Barcelona)**

One of the main phenomena that globalized societies face nowadays is mobility. Understanding the debate on current migration flows should not continue to be explored only through the prism of international migration. In recent years, a new academic debate has been opened regarding the mobility caused by the internal and external movement of researchers, workers, tourists, businessmen, students, volunteers and people in general. This new framework is based on economic, political and cultural openness, where mobility is natural rather than static, which is neither normal nor desirable.

In this new context the GRITIM-UPF/CIDOB 2011 Seminar will accept papers that focus on studying and analyzing these new forms of mobility and the consequences they have on the reality of migration. This seminar aims to contribute to new debates on this phenomenon by taking into consideration issues such as new migration flows, new versions of movement, the interconnections created in this new transnational sphere and economic, social and political consequences. Ultimately, it seeks to create a scientific, political and social debate on new versions of mobility and its relations with transnational studies, globalism and cosmopolitanism.

The seminar aims to develop and influence this new analytical framework, defining, analyzing and explaining how to express these new versions of movement from a political, social and economical point of view or in the micro and macro level. Preference goes to contributions that include empirically informed conceptual analyses, or empirical descriptive, explanatory, and normative studies.

Key questions to be tackled are: What are the new versions of mobility? How does this new phenomenon manifest itself? What policies are used to manage it and what are its consequences? How do policies promote one type of mobility over another? How does it affect the transnational sphere? What new transnational debates are taking place? How should we understand this phenomenon in an International security context? What explains the opening of one type of movement over another? How much mobility can be accommodated within liberal and secular democracies? What impact does it have on the societies, politics or economy of origin or destination? What ethical challenges exist? And, more particularly, how should we define mobility?

Dimensions of the Research Seminar:

- Conceptual dimension: methodological approaches and theoretical frameworks, definitions of mobility.
- Institutional dimension: analysis of the policies and management of mobility; relevant stakeholders, political, legal and social contexts.
- Policy dimension: description, analysis and evaluation of policies, regulations and programmes on mobility management.

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Applications:

Proposals should be sent to Elena Sánchez-Montijano, migraciones@cidob.org (with CC to gritim@upf.edu) specifying "SEMINAR GRITIM-UPF/CIDOB 2011" as a subject. Proposals should be in English and should include:

- Short CV (max. 200 words)
- Institution and area of research
- Title (max. 10 words)
- Abstract (max. 450 words)

Deadlines:

Proposals must be sent before the **1st of July, 2011**. Notification of acceptance will be confirmed by the **11th of July, 2011**. Final papers should be sent by the **16th of September, 2011**.

Please **note** that a selection of papers will be taken into consideration to be published in an online book afterwards. We therefore recommend participants to hand in relatively advanced work. **English** will be the working language.

Publications based on previous GRITIM-UPF/CIDOB Seminars:

- Zapata-Barrero, R. & van Ewijk, A. (eds.) (forthcoming) "*Spheres of diversities*" – *conceptual debates and policies regarding private and public institutions in Europe*, Barcelona: Fundació CIDOB
- Zapata-Barrero, R. (ed.) (2010) [*Shaping the normative contours of the European Union*](#), Barcelona: Fundació CIDOB
- Zapata-Barrero, R. (ed.) (2009) [*Citizenship policies in the Age of Diversity: Europe at the crossroads*](#), Barcelona: Fundació CIDOB
- Zapata-Barrero, R. & G. Pinyol (eds.) (2008) [*Los gestores del proceso de inmigración: actores y redes de actores en España y Europa*](#). Barcelona: Fundació CIDOB
- Zapata-Barrero, R. & T. van Dijk (eds.) (2007) [*Discursos sobre la inmigración en España: Los medios de comunicación, los parlamentos y las administraciones*](#) Barcelona: Fundació CIDOB/Bellaterra ediciones

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