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GRITIM-UPF Newsletter aims to disseminate information on GRITIM-UPF Publications, Projects, News and Activities, which mainly deal with Immigration issues that contribute to the European approach in the fields of Borders, Diversity and Methodological tools. For further information: www.upf.edu/web/gritim

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1. GRITIM-UPF News

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1.1 GRITIM-UPF initiatives and research activities:

- We welcome our new GRITIM-UPF PhD Candidate **Diletta Marcucci!** [More info.](#)
- **Ricard Zapata-Barrero** gave the talk "Immigration and Interculturalism in European and U.S. Cities" for the Catalan Government USA on 23 June, 2022. [More info.](#)
- Sciences-Po interviewed **Ricard Zapata-Barrero**, Riva Kastoryano and Dirk Jacobs about their book "Contested Concepts in Migration Studies". [More info.](#)
- **Ricard Zapata-Barrero** gave a book talk about *Contested Concepts in Migration Studies* at CUNY on 18 May, 2022. [More info.](#)
- Senior scholars from GRITIM-UPF gave a conversation about the exodus from Ukraine on 26 April, 2022. [More info.](#)
- New book review of **Ricard Zapata-Barrero**, Dirk Jacobs and Riva Kastoryano's book "Contested concepts in migration studies" in *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. [More info.](#)
- **Zenia Hellgren** was assigned the design of the first Catalan general survey on racism and discrimination by the Government of Catalonia's Secretariat for Equality and Feminism, in collaboration with the former UPF researcher Wiebke Weber. [More info.](#)
- **ECPR's Standing Group on Migration and Ethnicity** hosted a seminar with **Ricard Zapata-Barrero** entitled “Urban resilience and urban migration governance: Some conceptual, methodological and comparative empirical insights” on 7 April, 2022. [More info.](#)
- The **AGREP project** was concluded with the final conference Strategies against everyday antigypsyism, on 24 March 2022. [More info.](#)
- GRITIM-UPF participates in the Advisory Committee of the **EU-BELONG Project**. [More info.](#)
- *Qualitative Research in European Migration Studies* by **Ricard Zapata-Barrero** and **Evren Yalaz** has reached over 255,000 downloads. It was recently reviewed in *Nordic Journal of Migration Research*. [More info.](#)



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- GRITIM-UPF invited **Omar Noumri**, Major of Castelló de Farfanya, to give a class about ethnic diversity in politics. [More info](#).
- Dr. **Brema Ely Dicko** from Mali gave a lecture at the GRITIM-UPF Master course in Postcolonial Studies and Mediterranean History. [More info](#).

1.2 GRITIM-UPF members in the media:

- **Ricard Zapata-Barrero** published the opinion article “Ucràina i la geopolítica amb rostre humà” for the Catalan newspaper Ara on 1 April, 2022. [More info](#).
- **Gemma Pinyol** was cited in TV3 Notícies about the reception policies applied for Ukrainian refugees on 19 March. [More info](#).
- **Lorenzo Gabrielli** was cited by La Vanguardia about the exodus of Ukrainian refugees on 18 March, 2022. [More info](#).
- **Iván Martín** gave an interview on the Ukrainian refugee crisis at the Moroccan radio station Atlantic Radio on 7 March, 2022. [More info](#).

2. GRITIM-UPF Publications

Clifford, Isabel. 2022. [“Unscrupulous People Posing as Children”: The Problematisation of Unaccompanied Children in UK Home Office Policy Discourse](#). GRITIM-UPF Working Paper No. 50, 2022.

Ferrer-Gallardo, Xavier & Lorenzo Gabrielli. 2022. [The Ceuta Border Peripeteia: Tasting the Externalities of EU Border Externalization](#), Journal of Borderlands Studies, 37:3, 645-655.

Geha, Carmen. 2022. [From Lebanon to Ukraine with Solidarity](#). UPF Opinion article.

Hellgren, Zenia. 2022. [“The success of diversity policies depends on efficient anti-discrimination practices”](#). Blog post for the PLURISPACE project.

Hellgren, Zenia & Lorenzo Gabrielli. 2022. [Everyday Antigypsyism: Diagnosis and Avenues to fight it](#). GRITIM-UPF Policy Brief, No. 11 2022.

Lidén, Gustav & Jon Nyhlén. 2022. [Local Migration Policy - Governance Structures and Policy Output in Swedish Municipalities](#). Palgrave Macmillan.

Martín, Iván. 2022. [“Refugees \(d’Ucràina\) Welcome”](#). UPF Opinion article.

Zapata-Barrero, Ricard. 2022. [Mediterranean thinking in migration studies: A methodological regionalism approach](#). *International Migration*, <https://doi.org/10.1111/imig.12995>

Zapata-Barrero, Ricard. 2022. [“Social actors: Spain endorses interculturalism, but requires more practice and less narrative”](#). Blog post for the PLURISPACE project.

Zapata-Barrero, Ricard & Evren Yalaz. 2022. [“Qualitative Methods in Migration Studies”](#), in P. Scholten (ed.), Introduction to Migration Studies, Cham, Switzerland, Springer (IMISCOE Research Series); Chapter 25, 411-423.

3. GRITIM-UPF Activities

On **22 September, 2022**, GRITIM-UPF will organize the [Barcelona Intercultural Cities Roundtable](#) within the framework of the research project [The International Intercultural Cities Comparative Study](#), funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union and coordinated by the Swinburne University of Technology (Australia). GRITIM-UPF participates as partner and Ricard Zapata-Barrero is one of the principal investigators.

Time and location: Auditorio de Mercè Rodoreda, Campus de Ciutadella, Ramón Trias Fargas 25-27, 10:00 am to 4:15 pm CET

The event includes simultaneous translation English to Catalan – Catalan to English

Outline

The idea of the ‘intercultural city’ is gaining traction around the world as a local-level policy approach which promotes cultural and social cohesion by fostering dialogue and interaction across cultural boundaries. The global spread of the intercultural city model, however, has highlighted a wide variation in how the core concept of intercultural interaction is being translated into specific policies and practice.

In a world-first, the International Intercultural Cities Comparative Study has brought together an international team of leading intercultural cities researchers seeking a deeper understanding of the factors shaping these variations and their policy outcomes as a crucial step towards the consolidation of the intercultural city movement.

The study will map convergences and divergences in how the intercultural cities approach has been interpreted and expressed in policies and practices in three regions with very different histories of migration and diversity policy: Europe, North America and Australasia. Also, it will serve as a contribution between the participant groups (CIs, city officials and stakeholders) and to introduce best practices and useful tools in the intercultural cities field. Five cities, all members of the Intercultural cities program, have joined the study: Sabadell (Spain), Sherbrooke (Canada) and Ballarat, Melton and Salisbury (Australia). In particular, the project will examine:

What are the core principles of the intercultural approach?

How have the cities translated intercultural objectives into policies and practices?

What are the factors that have enabled or constrained the successful implementation of intercultural policies and practices?

How has the prior broader policy and governance context influenced the way interculturalism has unfolded in your region and country?

4. EuroMedMig News

[EuroMedMig](#) is a three-year (2019-2022) Erasmus+ Jean Monnet Network Program (Project Reference: 611260-EPP-1- 2019-1-ES-EPPJMO-NETWORK) entitled “[Mapping European Mediterranean Migration Studies](#)” (Acronym: EUMedMi) and coordinated by GRITIM-UPF. Activities included in this project are the [Working Paper Series](#) and the [Policy Paper Series](#). To subscribe to the [Euro-Mediterranean Research Network on Migration](#) (EuroMedMig) distribution list please contact us at euromedmig@upf.edu, with the subject line “Subscription Request”.

- New publication by Ricard Zapata-Barrero (2022): "Mediterranean thinking in migration studies: A methodological regionalism approach". [More info](#).
- The American University in Cairo joins IMISCOE. [More info](#).
- Recording available: EuroMedMig National Workshop: France. [More info](#).
- New EuroMedMig Working Paper (April 2022, No. 8): Yvan Gastaut: "Cosmopolitanism and Mediterranean cities". [More info](#).
- Last EUMedMi National Workshop: Turkey. [More info](#).
- Recording available: Last EuroMedMig National Workshop: Turkey. [More info](#).

5. EuroMedMig Working Paper Series

Number 8 - April 2022

Title: *Cosmopolitanism and Mediterranean Cities*

Author: Yvan Gastaut, Professor at Université de Nice-Côte d’Azur. Member of the EuroMedMig Steering Committee.

Abstract: What place is given to foreigners and migrants in the cities of the Mediterranean basin? At a time of radicalism and withdrawal, rethinking common values on the different shores is becoming an urgent necessity. In this context, the urban space as a place for deciding the place of the "Other" within society appears to be the best possible laboratory for mixing. In order to envisage the future, this article proposes a reflection on the past of Mediterranean cities and their real or supposed cosmopolitanism.



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This memory of cities with mixed and variegated populations, linked together by a common culture that is sometimes fantasized, can serve as a reference point for implementing tolerant urban policies capable of moving away from restrictive state management. Between reality and representation, we question the specificity of cosmopolitanism in Mediterranean cities, which, in spite of systems of domination sometimes difficult to support like the colonization, can be.

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