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SharingSpace – intercultural cities and collective space

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abstract

SharingSpace is a Project financed by the European Union Marie Curie International Research Staff Exchange Scheme (FP7-PEOPLE-2012-IRSES). It was conceived as a platform to prompt the establishment and consolidation of an international network among centres of excellence in international migration studies, aimed at setting up a dialogue group of scholars to carry forward the reflection on the nexus between international migrants and public urban space.

Partner organizations are: SSIIM Unesco Chair on the 'Social and Spatial Inclusion of international Migrants – urban Policies and Practices', Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia, Italy; CEG-IGOT, Centro de Estudio Geográficos, Instituto de Geografia e Ordenamento do Território da Universidade de Lisboa, Portugal; ACMS, African Centre for Migrations & Society, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa; Instituto de Investigaciones Dr. José María Luis Mora, Mexico City, Mexico; IDAES, Instituto de Altos Estudios Sociales, Universidad Nacional de San Martín, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Through a comparative perspective, SharingSpace is enhancing the understanding of the provision, use and perception of collective space in different and increasingly diverse urban contexts in the North and the global South, with a particular focus on i) the public policies adopted to cope with the demand for urban space by international migrants, and ii) the practices to access urban space under circumstances of insufficient or inadequate response by public policies.

Overall, more than 25 researchers (either early stage and experienced) participated to the exchange scheme, carrying out visiting periods at partner institutions. In particular 6 European scholars from Ca' Foscari and CEG-IGOT were hosted at the ACMS in Johannesburg, while 5 researchers from the ACMS carried out research in Venice and Lisbon.