

Maastricht Centre for Citizenship, Migration and Development (MACIMIDE)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Maastricht Centre for Citizenship, Migration and Development (MACIMIDE) is the interdisciplinary research platform established at Maastricht University in mid-2013 in order to integrate and expand interfaculty and interdisciplinary research collaboration in the fields of migration, mobility, citizenship, development and family life. MACIMIDE combines various research lines across different Faculties of Maastricht University: the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, the Faculty of Law, the Faculty of Humanities and Sciences, and the School of Business and Economics.

In its first 1,5 years of existence, MACIMIDE has organized a wealth of activities:

- With core UM funding (€1 million) and co-funding from the involved faculties, MACIMIDE initiated 9 new research projects, lead by interdisciplinary supervision teams. 5 PhD students and 4 postdocs were hired in 2013 and 2014
- In April 2014, MACIMIDE organised a one-day kick-off conference, together with the Dutch Association for Migration Research. Together with the MACIMIDE PhD/post-doc workshop, which preceded it, the kick-off conference promoted interdisciplinary research in the areas of citizenship, migration and development and fostered exchanges and collaboration within UM community and beyond
- Between 2013 and 2014, MACIMIDE was involved in the organization of 29 colloquia and seminars at Maastricht University in the framework of the Globalisation, Transnationalism and Development Colloquia (FASoS), the MGSG/UNU-Merit Migration Seminars (FHS), the Politics and Culture in Europe Seminars (FASoS), and the Nationality Law Workshop (FL)
- In April 2014, MACIMIDE joined IMISCOE, the largest research network in Europe on international migration, integration and social cohesion
- In 2013 and 2014, 4 junior visiting fellows were hosted by MACIMIDE for short research stays at the participating faculties
- By the end of 2014, MACIMIDE brought together a total number of 113 researchers working on themes related to cross-border mobility, citizenship, transnationalism, migration and development
- Between 2013 and 2014, MACIMIDE researchers were involved in many externally funded research projects, including in the framework of other research platforms such as Transnational Migration, Citizenship and the Circulation of Rights and Responsibilities (TRANSMIC), Involuntary Loss of European Citizenship (ILEC), Transnational Migration in Transition (EURANET) and European Union Democracy Observatory on Citizenship;
- In 2014, MACIMIDE researchers participated at the founding of the Institute for Transnational and Euregional Cross Border Cooperation and Mobility (ITEM), which seeks to contribute to the promotion of cross-border mobility and the removal of obstacles to mobility. ITEM is supported by Maastricht University, the Province of Limburg, NEIMED (Hogeschool Zuyd), the Municipality of Maastricht, and EMR (Meuse-Rhine Euregion).
- Between 2013 and 2014, MACIMIDE researchers published over 350 research monographs, edited volumes, journal articles, book chapters, research reports and additional publications.