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## WOMEN ON THE MOVE

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To my mother

The special issue *Women on the Move* that the reader holds in their hands is the result of the hard work of very creative specialists in gender and mobility. Research on mobility and gender has progressively advanced from traditional, non-gender-specific literature on migration or mobility of highly skilled people. And, as these authors prove, the topic is already quantitatively and qualitatively relevant.

Most of these authors met at the international conference "Challenges of the International Mobility of the Highly Skilled in the XXI Century – Women in Movement" held in Barcelona on the 7th and 8th of February 2013. During this conference, we shared knowledge and worked with specialists from Europe and Oceania. At the end of the conference, we explored the possibility of publishing some of these works in a journal to disseminate the outstanding research.

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