

On 21st January, we celebrate the Compostela Day!

In this special newsletter you could find the news of our activities for administrative, academic and research staff for our member universities

### What is the Compostela Group of Universities?

The Compostela Group of Universities is a non-profit international association aimed at fostering cooperation and promoting dialogue in all fields related to higher education.

The CGU currently has more than 60 members worldwide, who are working together in the belief that diversity is a keyword in the profile of 21st century universities. In our common journey, we share the path to knowledge and the goal of improving higher education for a better society.

The CGU is nowadays a large, prominent, open & inclusive network, formed by 60 universities in 24 countries.

Its main aim is to facilitate and promote cooperation in the HE public & private sectors. It achieves this by acting as a platform to foster and support projects among its members & by participating in activities as an entity in its own right.

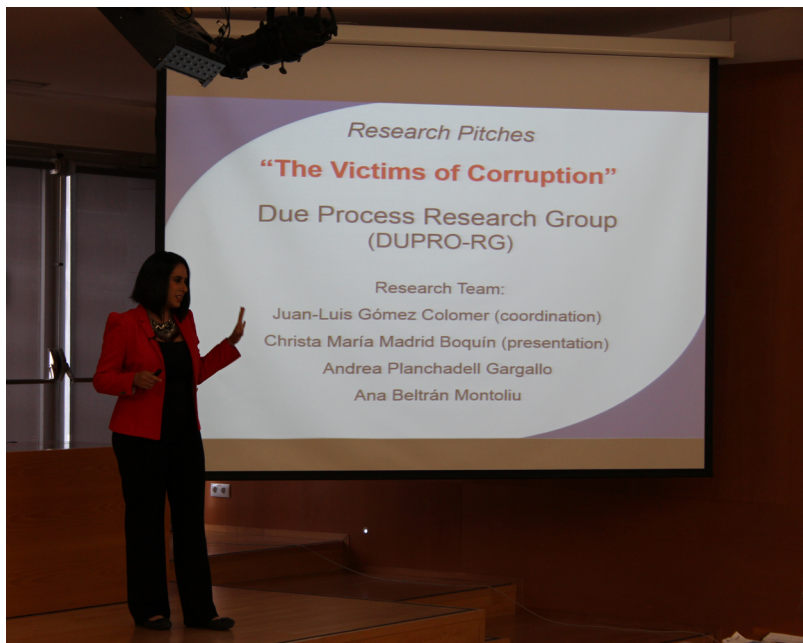
Have a look over our proposals for staff at our member universities!

### Where to find us?

[www.gcompostela.org](http://www.gcompostela.org)



**And subscribe to our newsletters!**



Over these lines, two researchers presenting their winner pitches of the Contest's pilot edition, organized by the Universitat Jaume I.

## A new activity: the **Research Pitches Contest!**

This contest aims to contribute to boost the dissemination of research results as well as to promote the research carried out at university members.

Researchers are invited to present their research through a short presentation that aims to convince somebody of the value of something, usually with the goal of selling a product or getting funding for a project.

The idea is that researchers in the Compostela Group of Universities have the chance to disseminate their research among the other university members and beyond, in order to find funding, contact research groups doing similar research, attract researchers and PhD students who wish to do that kind of research, and to disseminate research results to the academic community and to the society, in general.

The Compostela Group will reward the research pitch presented by a researcher of one of its member universities that best reaches a general audience and transmits the reasons why the research project is important as well as the contribution made to society by means of that project.

### How to take part?

- Make sure that your University has endorsed the Contest
- Read the Regulations
- Prepare your pitch!

[All information in our website](#)



## What's new in the STELLA for staff programme?

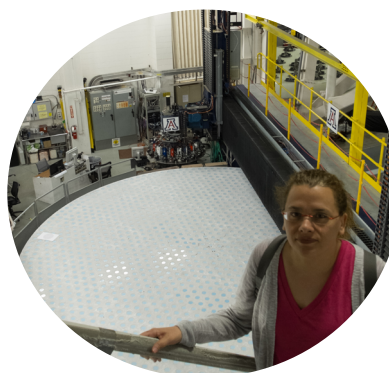
The intercontinental mobility programme STELLA for Staff aims to provide opportunities for administrative staff mobility, to enhance cross cultural experience and work placement experience by means of two weeks work exchanges among University members within the Compostela Group.

Since 2002, STELLA provides opportunities for administrative staff to enhance cross cultural and work placement experience.

Check the [Handbook of Guidelines for Universities, Coordinators and Staff](#) and other relevant information in our [website](#).



Above this lines, different participants of the STELLA programme during their mobilities in the UNESP in Sao Paulo (Brazil), the University of Arizona (USA) and the PUCP(Peru)



### IMPORTANT DATES:

- 30 November, 2016: deadline for universities to endorse the programme
- 13 February, 2017: deadline for candidates to send their applications
- 20 February, 2017: deadline for candidates to send all applications to the CGU Secretariat
- March, 2017: selection process
- March-December, 2017: STELLA mobilities take place
- 15 December, 2017: deadline for candidates to send their mobility reports



## Save the date for the next CGU General Assembly!

As announced in Castelló last September, the XXIII CGU General Assembly will take place in Hungary, from 17 to 19 September, hosted by the [University of Pécs](#).

The General Assembly is the most important event organized by the CGU, and an annual meeting point for sharing experience and attend the internal meetings and the academic activities in this two-day assembly.

We encourage you to save the date and join us. While, you can have a look on our [annual report](#) to know in deep our activities, or keep informed through our [weekly newshflashes](#), social media and [webpage](#).

*Above, the participants of the XXII General Assembly at the Universitat Jaume I in Castello, Spain*