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Two researchers from the GRATET group have been selected to benefit from two of the two hundred grants awarded by the Santander Bank in Spain for young lecturers and researchers aiming to conduct a research stay in Latin America. The selection of candidates is motivated by academic merits and investigation relevance.

First, Joan Alberich's project (Tenure-track lecturer at GRATET) – supervised by Professor Salvador Anton Clavé and Professor Jorge Silava Macaísta Malheiros, from Lisbon University – is being developed at the Centro de Estudos Geograficos da Universidade de Lisboa.

The objective of their project, which is entitled "Estudio comparativo de la segregación residencial de la población de nacionalidad extranjera en espacios urbanos en España y Portugal", is to study the role of tourism in mature coastal destinations as spaces for social innovation, territorial competitiveness, and where responsible policies at global scale are developed. More specifically, the project pretends to analyze the effects of residential mobility related to the tourism activity on the competitiveness of tourism destinations.



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On the other hand, the research project proposed by Raquel Santos-Lacueva, PhD Fellow at the Research Group on Territorial Analysis and Tourism Studies (GRATET), has been selected to benefit from one of the two hundred grants offered by Santander Bank in Spain, which are addressed to young lecturers and researchers to do a research stay in Latin America. Selection of candidates is motivated by academic merits and investigation relevance.

This project is supervised by both Professor Salvador Anton, who leads GRATET and GLOBALTUR, and PhD Oscar Saladie, who also is supervising Raquel's thesis. It is going to be developed in the Department of Sustainable Development at Quintana Roo University (QRU)in Mexico.

The main objective is to carry out field work in Playa del Carmen-Riviera Maya, which is one of the study cases of her thesis that examines vulnerability of coastal destinations in front of global change by analysing policies. Concretely, data collection is planned through policies documents, as well as by interviews and surveys to stakeholders and policy-makers. At the same time, it is expected to promote active networking between GRATET and QRU research groups.



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