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**Travel and Research conducted for Master's research project**

The CES travel grant has greatly assisted me in handling the expenses of my research and study exchange to France. Over the course of my stay in Paris, I conducted a great deal of research, connected with academics and researchers with expertise in Roma human rights studies. These connections allowed me to significantly expand my network of contacts and ascertain important interviews. I attended two conferences about Roma Rights issues in France which expanded my knowledge on the issues. As a result of this opportunity I conducted 8 interviews during my stay in France. I have provided a list of the academics, experts and politicians I interviewed (due to ethics clearance and privacy policy I cannot not share the names of the politicians). All academics and researchers have allowed me to use their names and the names of their organization:

- 3 government officials (Marsailles, Paris and Saint Denis)
- Tommaso Vitale Associate Professor of Sociology at Sciences Po, Scientific Director of the Master "Governing the Large Metropolis"
- Claire Fernandez, Deputy Director of Policy for the European Network Against Racism
- Mannon Filleaneau the Human Rights Monitor for France at the European Roma Rights Centre (ERRC)
- Gregoire Cousin director of Urba-Rom and writer for Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme

I attended two conferences:

- Rencontre débat autour du thème: Migrations et gouvernance mondiale, citoyens "ici" et "là bas"  
21 novembre 2014,  
Cité des métiers, Paris
- Seminar of the Project RONEPP: Roma Social Mobility and Identity  
12 novembre 2014  
Sciences-Po, Paris

Throughout my 4 month stay in Paris I also improved my French skills in writing, reading speaking and listening. With my improved language skills I was able to conducted 4 interviews in French. It is a requirement for Master's students in the EURUS program to conduct research in English and another relevant language for their Major Research Project. My improved reading French skill has allowed me to conduct journalistic and academic research in French.

Currently I have conducted the vast portion of my research and I am currently in the writing stages.