

Federal Foreign Office, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, and IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre (GMDAC)

"Migration and Development Debate Series"

Migration and the 2030 Agenda for Development – access and contribution to basic services

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Migration contributes significantly to all aspects of economic and social development, and will be key to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Different opportunities and levels of development can drive migration. At the same time, migration can increase development and investment, fill labor gaps and contribute to development along the journeys. It is a strong poverty reduction tool – not just for migrants themselves, but also for their families and their wider communities. But migration can also negatively impact development, and though the relationship between the two is increasingly recognized, it remains under-explored.

A report published by the Overseas Development Institute (ODI) in 2017, collates, and draws out key findings from, a series of eight ODI policy briefings which analyze the interrelationship between migration and key development areas (gender, health, urbanization, climate change, education, social protection, poverty and citizenship). Each briefing explores how the links between migration and these different development issues affect the achievement of the SDGs, and offers pragmatic recommendations to incorporate migration into the 2030 Agenda to ensure it contributes to positive development outcomes.

Dr. Jessica Hagen-Zanker will present the key findings from this study, and then the seminar will zoom in on the specific issue of migrants' access and contribution to basic services. Migrants are often excluded from basic services including social protection, healthcare and education. Social protection coverage of migrants varies widely and they are often precluded from contributing to host country social protection systems. Extending education and healthcare to migrants presents opportunities but also challenges – migrants often face distinctive vulnerabilities in accessing and using these services. Yet, migrants also make important contributions to the delivery of services in host countries, in different areas, with e.g. many health systems heavily relying on migrant labor, as well as in origin countries.

Veronika Richler from SOLWODI (Solidarity with women in distress) will present her work in the counselling center in Bad Kissingen, Germany. In the counselling center, migrant women that experienced human-rights violations, including human trafficking, especially for sexual exploitation, forced marriages, the threat of 'honor killings', female genital mutilation and other forms of violence against women find individual advice and help. This project example will zoom in on the situation of migrant women in vulnerable settings with a special view on their possibilities to access and contribute to basic services.

Welcome remarks:

Ilse Hahn, Head of Division 220 – Policy Issues of Migration and Displacement, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development

Sönke Lorenz, Head of Task Force Global Forum on Migration and Development/International Migration Policy, Federal Foreign Office

Susanne Melde, Senior Analyst, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre (GMDAC)

Speakers:

Dr. Jessica Hagen-Zanker, Senior Research Fellow for Migration, Overseas Development Institute, London

Veronika Richler, Social Worker at SOLWODI (Solidarity with women in distress), Bad Kissingen

Facilitation:

Maksim Roskin, Advisor in the GIZ Sector Project Migration and Development

Kindly RSVP by 15 June, 2018 to migration@giz.de