

OECD international conference on

Interrelations between public policies, migration and development

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The OECD Development Centre is carrying out a project, co-funded by the EU Thematic Programme on Migration and Asylum, on the *Interrelations between public policies, migration and development of partner countries*. This project aims to enhance the capacity of partner countries to incorporate migration into the design and implementation of their development strategies, through a better understanding of the links between sectoral policies and migration.

The conference will be an opportunity to discuss recent developments concerning the implementation of the project and future activities in partner countries. The specific aim will be to discuss the following:

- The conceptual framework of the project;
 - Aiming at improving the understanding of how international migration affects public policies, and conversely, how public policies affect migration, the conceptual framework demonstrates a matrix of possible interlinkages between migration and sectoral policies. This leads to envisage the need to better take into account the interrelations between migration and sectoral development policies.
- The priority sectors to be studied in each country;
 - The ultimate objective of the project is to contribute to the economic and social development of the countries. Public policies, thus, refer to specific sectors considered as key in sustaining economic and social development. The project identifies nine particular sectors that are important for economic growth, social cohesion and sustainability. The priority sectors on which the project should focus to deliver evidence-based analysis in each partner country will be defined.
- The methodological framework for the case studies.
 - The methodological framework will develop a common methodology to measure i) the impact of public policies on migration in the partner countries; and ii) the implications of decisions adopted in relation to migration on other policy domains and on the socio-economic development of partner countries.

The project is carried out in the ten selected countries with the full ownership of relevant authorities. It is a state-owned and state-driven process, which implies that the main target group are the governments willing to contribute to the reflections on the link between migration patterns, migration policies and other sectoral policies. Final beneficiaries will be migrants in general from, or in, the partner countries benefitting from improved migration management, but also migrants' households and communities.

Agenda

Thursday, 5 December

14:15 – 14:30	Registration
14:30 – 14:45	<p>Opening remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mario Pezzini, Director of the OECD Development Centre - Hélène Bourgade, Head of Unit DEVCO B3, Employment, Social Inclusion, Migration, European Commission - Imelda M. Nicolas, Chairperson, Commission on Filipinos Overseas, Philippines
Session I – Interrelations between public policies and migration: conceptual framework	
14:45 – 16:30	<p><i>Presenter:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - David Khoudour, Head of the Migration and Skills Unit, OECD Development Centre <p>This initial session will set the stage for the conference by presenting the OECD Development Centre’s project on the <i>interrelations between public policies, migration and development of partner countries</i>. The presentation will cover the project’s objectives as well as a conceptual framework on the different interactions between public policies, migration and development.</p>

Friday, 6 December

Session II – Sharing experiences of partner countries	
09:00 – 12:30 (Coffee break 10:30 – 11:00)	<p>This session will give policy makers and local partners the opportunity to share their experiences on the interrelations between public policies in prioritised sectors and migration (i.e. emigration/return and immigration). The issue of policy coherence will be tackled as well. The discussions will help translate the conceptual framework into an effective methodology for measuring the interrelations.</p>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch break

Session III – Elaboration of methodological framework

<p>14:00 – 16:00</p>	<p><i>Presenters</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lisa Andersson, Economist, OECD Development Centre - Jason Gagnon, Economist, OECD Development Centre - Hyeshin Park, Policy Analyst, OECD Development Centre <p>This session will focus on the methodologies to be used in the fieldwork in the partner countries. It will introduce the outline and implementation of the quantitative surveys and qualitative interviews, and present examples of how the interrelations between migration and the sectoral policies can be captured through empirical data collection.</p>
<p>16:00 – 16:30</p>	<p>Closing remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Freddy Montero, Deputy Minister, Ministry of the Interior and the Police, Costa Rica - Hélène Bourgade, Head of Unit, Employment, Social Inclusion, Migration, European Commission - Mario Pezzini, Director of the OECD Development Centre

Extra session on technical discussion

<p>17:00 – 18:30</p>	<p>Technical details will be further discussed with the local partners to facilitate the implementation of the field work in each partner country.</p>
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