IMPROVING CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT IN MIGRATION STATISTICS AND DATA PRODUCTION

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Why a new approach in migration too?

- **The old one has strong limitation**: “Too often migration data are scattered (…) between different agencies (…) Migration data may be scattered between countries of origin, transit and destination.” (IOM, 2016); silo-approaches; focus on training only etc.

- **Need for new skills**: “Many countries have limited capacities to carry out policy-relevant analyses on ways and means of reaping the benefits of migration” (Juran and Snow, 2016); new data sources opportunities and challenges

- **Limited “buy-in” by national governments**: misalignment between international agenda and national priorities
“Capacity Development 4.0”

Targets
- Resources
- Skills and Knowledge
- Management
- Politics and power
- Incentives

Capacity support is targeting...

Data value cycle
1. Coordination
2. Production
3. Dissemination
4. Use

For the following steps...
Integrating migrations statistics in national planning – few ideas

1) Reinforce mechanisms for coordination between administrative data providers and NSOs – NSDS processes

2) Devise a better use of migration data in policy-making (either specific or sectoral, such as education)

3) Enable legislative changes for establishing partnerships with private actors, international data producers and local think tanks

4) Conduct an NSS wide assessment on the capacities needed to produce migration data, and incorporate them in capacity development plans
Take-aways for the discussion

- **Apply new approaches to capacity development**: CD 4.0 as a new concept with additional focus on the “enabling environment”, “incentives”, “soft skills” etc.

- **Integration in National Plans**: Provide advocacy and incentives to integrate the collection of data on migration into countries NSDS and improve co-ordination donors – partner countries

- **Linking-up**: Migration as important part of the Data for Development Discussion e.g. Global Fund on Data and Cape Town Action Plan on Development Data