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Knowledge Café: How an Integrated Approach to Migration, Sustainable Reintegration and Development Can Accelerate the 2030 Agenda

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Why mainstreaming migration into international cooperation and development matters

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Surja’s story
Migration and the 2030 Agenda

Migration governance will be a success factor for the achievement of all SDGs. Migration affects and is affected by all areas of governance and is therefore relevant to ALL SDGs. Migration is a global phenomenon affecting all countries worldwide and its effective governance needs global partnerships and a ‘whole-of-government approach’ if we want to make the most of its benefits.
Reasons to mainstream migration

- It makes development cooperation more inclusive and rights-based.
- It helps to identify and address challenges and opportunities.
- It makes development cooperation more coherent and effective.
How to mainstream migration

MMICD
Package of Resources
Example: Nepal

Objective: To integrating migration into relevant COVID-19 response & recovery plans and programmes in Nepal, with a focus on rural development and education.

Activities:

- **Assessment of the immediate vulnerabilities and risks** faced by migrant workers and their communities, and impacts of COVID-19 on socio-economic response and recovery on migrants and their communities

- **Dissemination** of the findings and recommendations

- **Coordination** to integrate the MMICD guidelines in the COVID-19 response interventions implemented by other UN Agencies

- **Awareness campaigns** and Public Service Announcements amongst wider stakeholders
An integrated approach to reintegration

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IOM’s definition (2017)

‘Reintegration can be considered sustainable when returnees have reached levels of economic self-sufficiency, social stability within their communities, and psychosocial well-being that allow them to cope with (re)migration drivers. Having achieved sustainable reintegration, returnees are able to make further migration decisions a matter of choice, rather than necessity’.
An Integrated Approach to Reintegration

Achieving sustainable reintegration requires a holistic and a need-based approach.

One that takes into consideration the various factors impacting on reintegration, including economic, social, and psychosocial dimensions, across individual, community, and structural levels.
Reintegration Handbook

- Aims to provide practical guidance on the design, implementation and monitoring of reintegration assistance
- Guidance for reintegration practitioners
- Global scope (available in English, French, Spanish and Arabic)
- Based on IOM’s integrated approach to reintegration
  - As such, it is not aimed at reintegration of IDPs or refugees
Tools to operationalize the approach

EU-IOM Knowledge Management Hub

- Return and Reintegration Platform (in EN-FR-SP) returnandreintegration.iom.int
  - 980 members’ CoP
  - 650 resources’ repositories
  - 2,300 participants to public hosted events

- Investment in developing and disseminating knowledge (3 knowledge series & Research Fund’s studies on unaddressed topics)

- Capacity-building on reintegration and M&E (blended and in-person trainings, 1,000+ practitioners trained worldwide)
  - Training curricula public and available online
How can an integrated approach to reintegration accelerate the 2030 Agenda?

By maximizing the sustainable development potential of reintegration and to build upon development interventions to foster sustainable reintegration.

- At **structural** level, by ensuring that reintegration support is anchored in local development priorities.
- At **community** level, by aiming to address needs, vulnerabilities and concerns of communities, including returnees.
- At **individual** level, by supporting returnees to contribute to the sustainable development of their area of origin.
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