



EUROMED Migration V

Peer-to-Peer Conference

Addressing the Challenges and Harnessing the Potential of the Gender and Youth Dimension of Migration through Capacity Partnerships

31 May – 1 June 2023

Brussels, Belgium

Agenda

Day 1

31 May 2023

8:30 – 9:00 Registration/Welcome of participants

9:00 – 9:30 Opening Remarks

- **Ms. Sofia Janson**, Counsellor, Chair of the Operational Coordination Mechanism for the External Dimension of Migration (MOCADDEM), Justice and Home Affairs, Sweden
- **Mr. Michele Amedeo**, Deputy Head of Unit, Migration, Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR), European Commission
- **Mr. Ralph Genetzke**, Director, Head of ICMPD's Brussels Mission, ICMPD

09:30 – 09:45 Introductory Session

- **Ms. Jasmin Lilian Diab**, Director of the Institute for Migration Studies, Department of Social and Education Sciences, Lebanese American University

09:45 – 11:30 Session 1 - Challenges: mitigating the protection risks for women and youth in the Euro-Mediterranean region

This session will examine the characteristics of youth and female migration in the region and the specific challenges related to ensuring adequate protection to vulnerable migrant women, adolescents and young adults (for e.g. in the context of reception and essential services, asylum procedures and anti-human trafficking practices).

- **Mr. George El-Jallad**, Counsellor, Head of the EU Department Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Emigrants, Lebanon





- **Ms. Marie-Consolee Mukangendo**, Deputy Representative of the Libya Country Office, UNICEF
- **Ms. Jane Linekar**, Head of Research and 4Mi, Mixed Migration Centre
- **Mr. Pierre Cazenave**, Anti-Trafficking Specialist, ICMPD

11:30 – 11:45 Coffee Break

11:45 – 13:00 Interactive Breakout Session 1

Participants are divided in 2 groups to foster a discussion on national experiences and good practices on selected themes:

- 1.1. Protecting migrant women and youth in reception services and asylum procedures.
- 1.2. Protecting the economic, social and cultural rights (e.g. the right to health and education) of newly arrived migrant women and youth.

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch break

14:30 – 15:30 Interactive Plenary Session

Participants present to the plenary the results of the interactive breakout session 1

15:30 – 15:45 Coffee break

15:45 – 16:30 Session 2 – Challenges: reinforcing the capacity of migration actors

This session will explore how the capacity of national and local migration actors in the region could be strengthened by an enhanced professionalisation on aspects related to 'gender' and 'youth'.

- **Ms. Màriam Lutfi Royo**, Policy Officer for the Mediterranean, Coordinator of the Shababuna Project, Directorate-General for External Action, Government of Catalonia
- **Dr. Giovanni Esposito**, Professor of Public Policy and Administration, Université Libre de Bruxelles
- **Mr. Adrian Cooper**, Head of the Training Institute on Migration Capacity Partnership for the Mediterranean (MCP Med TI), ICMPD; and
Ms. Sara Saleh, Curriculum Development Officer, MCP Med TI, ICMPD

16:30 – 16:45 Final Remarks

20:30 Dinner





Day 2

1 June 2023

8:45 – 9:15 Registration/Welcome coffee

9:15 – 10:45 **Session 3 – Opportunities: the untapped potential of migrant women and youth**

This session will explore ways to improve the inclusion and participation of migrant women and youth in Euro-Mediterranean countries' labour markets and societies; and to maximise the developmental potential of migrant women and youth for host and origin communities.

- **Mr. Manuel Albano**, Vice-President of the Commission for Citizenship and Gender Equality, National Rapporteur on Trafficking in Human Beings, Portugal
- **Mr. Abdessamad Taoussi**, Head of the Coordination and Offer Processing Department, National Agency for Employment and Skills Promotion (ANAPEC), Morocco
- **Mr. Jason Gagnon**, Head of Migration and Skills Unit, Development Centre, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
- **Ms. Anna Dorangricchia**, Project Manager, Social and Civil Affairs Division, Union for the Mediterranean

10:45 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30 **Interactive Breakout Session 2**

Participants are divided in 2 groups to foster a discussion about national experiences and good practices on selected themes:

- 2.1. How to facilitate the inclusion of high-skilled migrant women and youth in relevant economic sectors?
- 2.2. How can the private sector be involved in integrating migrant women and youth in the labour market?

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch break

14:00 – 15:00 **Interactive Plenary Session**

Participants present to the plenary the results of the interactive breakout session 2

15:00 – 15:15 Coffee in the room

15:15 – 16:45 **Session 4 – Solutions: lessons-learned from regional cooperation initiatives focussing on youth and gender**





This session will present good practices and lessons learned from international cooperation initiatives in the field of migrant youth/women protection and socio-economic integration.

- **Ms. Rossella Ferrari**, Senior Officer, Team Leader for the Middle-East and North Africa, European Union Agency for Asylum (EUAA); and
Ms. Nilde Robotti, Vulnerability Officer, EUAA
- **Ms. Adriana Weissova**, Project Coordinator, Development and Mobility Agency (EMA)
- **Mr. Žilvinas Švedkauskas**, Managing Director, Digital Explorers

16:45 – 17:00 Closing Remarks

- **Ms. Andrea Apostu**, Policy Officer, DG NEAR, European Commission
- **Ms. Danila Chiaro**, Project Manager, ICMPD

20:00 Dinner

