Executive Committee Working Level

Working Group Review

CWG 1.2/Knowledge Platform and Connection Hub

Working group title: Knowledge Platform and Connection Hub.
Lead/co-leads: IOM
Validation/Quarterly review date: 9 January 2020.
Attachments: [Workplan and Concept Note]

1. Does the WG workplan respond to the objectives set in the Network workplan including on developing the Network’s voice?

Workplan template was not followed due to the specific nature of this WG. Instead a detailed phased approach and a concept note with different options are put forward for review. Some difficulty was noted in locating all elements agreed by the EC in the Network workplan.

YES x NO

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Suggestion to use the workplan template for ease of reference in the future and to take into account in the next steps the explicit deliverables agreed by the EC in the Network workplan, reference to the use of knowledge platform for the upcoming regional reviews, as well as to ensure compliance with GCM guiding principles and MS engagement.

2. Is the proposed composition of the WG inclusive, balanced yet agile enough to achieve results within the limited timeframe?

Full composition of the working group is DESA, ILO, OECD, OHCHR, UNDP, UNITAR, UNODC, UNU-MERIT. (UNICEF expressed interest in joining.) The composition of this WG is for now based on a commitment to active participation and fundraising efforts.

YES x NO

RECOMMENDATIONS:
Request to include the participation of civil society and other stakeholders, reflecting the Network’s commitment to a whole-of-society approach.

3. ARE DELIVERABLES CONCRETE, REALISTIC AND TIME-BOUND?

Deliverables indicated are specific and time-bound. Setting-up a core structure by June-July 2020 are a pre-requisite to ensure that other outputs are delivered.

YES \( \times \) NO

RECOMMENDATIONS:

4. DOES THE WG WORKPLAN INCORPORATE THE WORKING PRINCIPLES OF THE NETWORK?

YES \( \times \) NO

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Suggestion to explicitly reference how the working principles of the Network and the guiding principles of the GCM will be incorporated in the workplan and more largely in deliverables

5. IS IT CLEAR HOW THE WG WILL ENGAGE WITH MEMBER STATES?

Member States (MS) are a main target audience for the products delivered by this WG. A survey has recently been launched to collect MS views.

YES \( \times \) NO

RECOMMENDATIONS:

GENERAL REMARKS ON THE QUARTERLY REVIEW PERIOD ASSESSED:

THIS SECTION INDICATES WHETHER THE EC VALIDATES THE WORKPLAN PUT FORWARD BY THE WG AND ADDRESSES GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO INCORPORATE IN THE FORTHCOMING REVIEW PERIOD.

The WG approach to the workplan was validated by the EC with a request to incorporate specific recommendations as noted above.

Other general recommendations include developing a strategy to incorporate other new or existing migration knowledge platforms that emerge.
The chair raised the resource-intense nature of this WG and the importance of the secretariat - and other EC members - fundraising efforts in this regard.

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