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Human Mobility, Disasters, and Climate Change in the IGAD Region: Lessons Learned and Strengthened Partnerships

Registration link

[Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)

3 October, 10.00-11.30EAT / 9.00-10.30 CEST

Background

From 2021-2023, IGAD, IOM, ILO PDD (hosted by UNOPS) and UNHCR together with IGAD and the IGAD Climate Prediction & Applications Centre (ICPAC) launched a first Joint Programme to contribute to facilitating pathways for regular migration in the IGAD region and minimizing displacement risk as well as assessing protection frameworks and the protection environment in the context of climate change, environmental degradation and disasters in line with the vision and guiding principles of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM). It was funded by the Migration Multi-Partner Trust Fund.

The programme enhanced coherent implementation of global frameworks including the GCM; promoted regional approaches and partnerships and increased knowledge on human mobility in the context of climate change; helped create decent green jobs for affected communities and promoted inclusive approaches to disaster risk reduction.

It also offered proof of concept for its activities related to human mobility, disasters, and climate change in the IGAD region. Many of these initiatives show promise for scaling up if future interventions incorporate lessons learned and best practices from this experience. There is also a demand to build and replicate these approaches across the region and beyond, including in the follow-up to the Kampala Ministerial Declaration on Environment and Climate Change (KDMECC).

This event will therefore aim to bring together key partners from this joint programme to reflect upon lessons learned and highlight potential ways forward, including a plan to expand the joint programme in a second phase to further facilitate regular migration and minimize displacement risk in the context of climate change, environmental degradation and disasters. This includes identifying potential new funding structures to support the next phase of implementation.

The event will be in English and will take place virtually over 1.5 hours.

Agenda

Welcome

- Ms. Reiko Matsuyama - Migration Multi-Partner Trust Fund Management Unit
- Ms. Fathia Alwan, Director Health and Social Development, IGAD Secretariat
- Ms. Camille Le Coz, Associate Director Migration Policy Institute Europe
- Mr. Bob Natifu, Assistant Commissioner Climate Change, Climate Change Department - Ministry of Water and Environment, Government of Uganda

Panel Discussion

- Moderator: Dr. Annabel Mwangi, Senior Policy Advisor, UNHCR Regional Bureau for the East and Horn of Africa and Great Lakes
- Ms. Lisa Lim Ah Ken, Senior Regional Thematic Specialist on Migration, Environment and Climate Change, IOM
- Mr. Namigali Casm - City Mayor of Mbale, Uganda
- Ms. Gladys Cisneros, Branch Chief, Labour Migration Branch, ILO
- Mr. Atle Solberg, Head of Secretariat, Platform on Disaster Displacement

Q and A, moderated by Ms. Rose Kobusinge

Conclusion and Closing remarks