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# MOBILITY SCHEMES BETWEEN NORTH AFRICA AND EUROPE: TIME TO DRAW LESSONS AND BUILD FUTURE SKILLS MOBILITY PARTNERSHIPS

30, 31 January and 1st February 2023 Le Grand Ballroom, SOFITEL EL GEZIRAH, Cairo, Egypt





### DAY 1: SETTING THE SCENE AND COLLECTING RESEARCH TAKE-AWAYS

08:30 - 09:00	Welcome tea and Registration of Participants
	- Opening Ceremony -
	Facilitation: H.E. Amb. Neveen EL-HUSSEINY, Deputy Assistant Foreign Minister for Refugees, Migration and Combatting Human Trafficking, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Egypt
	Welcoming Remarks
09:00 – 10:00	<ul> <li>H.E. Ambassador Ehab BADAWY, Assistant Foreign Minister for Multilateral Affairs and International Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Egypt</li> <li>Mr Nasreddine NSIBI, Minister, Ministry of Vocational Training and Employment, Tunisia</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Mr Kamal HACHOUMY, Secretary-General, Ministry of Employment, Morocco</li> <li>H.E. Ambassador Christian BERGER, Head of the European Union Delegation to Egypt</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Mr Holger ILLI, Head of Development Cooperation, First Counsellor, German Embassy in Cairo</li> </ul>
10:00 – 10:10	Group Photo
10:10 - 10:25	- Testimonials from migrant workers involved in THAMM mobility schemes -
	Session 1. Conference technical framing and expectations
	Facilitation: Ms Aurelia SEGATTI, ILO THAMM Regional Programme Manager
10:25 – 11:00	<ul> <li>Mr Carlos OLIVER, Chief of Mission, IOM Egypt</li> <li>Mr Eric OECHSLIN, Director, ILO Cairo Country Office for Egypt &amp; Eritrea and ILO Decent Work Team for North Africa</li> </ul>
	Session 2. Mobility schemes in the Euro-Mediterranean context: Conceptual and empirical framing
11:00 – 12:00	Facilitation: Ms Tanja DEDOVIC, Regional thematic specialist on Labour Mobility and Social Inclusion, IOM MENA-RO
11.00 - 12.00	<ul> <li>Inaugural discussion paper: "Professional mobility North Africa – Europe: The new deal?", Prof. Jamal BOUOIYOUR, Univ. of Pau, France (THAMM research consult- ant)</li> </ul>
	Respondent: Prof. Ibrahim AWAD, Director, Center for Migration and Refugee Studies (CMRS), American University in Cairo
	Discussion
	Session 3. Mobility partnerships: Lessons from North African countries  Facilitation: Ms Ahlem AMRI, ILO National Coordinator, THAMM Tunisia
	Mr Ahmed MESSAOUDI, Director General, International Placement and Foreign
	Labour, Ministry of Vocational Training and Employment, Tunisia
12:00 – 13:30	<ul> <li>Mr Karim ISBAYENE, Director, International Cooperation and Partnerships, Ministry of Employment, Morocco</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Dr. Saber Soliman, Assistant Minister for Institutional Development and Minister's Office Affairs, Ministry of State for Emigration and Egyptian Expatriates' Affairs, Egypt</li> </ul>



	<ul> <li>Mr Mohamed ATEF, Employers, North Africa (Federation of Egyptian Industries, Labour Affairs Unit – Egypt)</li> <li>Mr Abdallah EL EICH, Workers, North Africa (Deputy Secretary-General, UGTT – Tunisia)</li> </ul> Discussion
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch break
14:30 – 16:00	<ul> <li>Session 4. Mobility partnerships: Lessons from European countries</li> <li>Facilitation: Ms Hélène HAMMOUDA, Project Manager, THAMM, OFII</li> <li>Mr Michele AMEDEO, Deputy Head of Unit, Migration Unit, DG NEAR (online) &amp; Ms. Giuliana BENEDETTO, Policy Officer, DG HOME Legal Pathways and Integration Unit (online)</li> <li>Mr Jean CHAILLET, directeur des opérations, Polyvia Formation and Mr Chekib DEBBABI, directeur de la filiale tunisienne du groupe Plastivaloire, président fondateur de l'Association tunisienne des industriels de la plasturgie (ATIP) (OFII Partner)</li> </ul>
16:00 – 16:20	Break
16:20 – 17:30	<ul> <li>EU Member States (THAMM partners):         <ul> <li>Belgium: H.E. Amb. Lieven DE LA MARCHE, Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation (online)</li> <li>Germany: Mr Dennis RÖNTGEN, Senior Policy Officer – Policy issues of displacement and migration, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (online)</li> </ul> </li> <li>EU Member States (Other experiences):         <ul> <li>Spain: Ms Blanca BREÑOSA SÁEZ DE IBARRA, Deputy Underdirector General, Legal Affairs, State Secretariat for Migration, Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration (online)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Discussion</li> </ul>
17:30	End of Day 1



### **DAY 2: TECHNICAL COMPONENTS OF MOBILITY SCHEMES**

9:00 – 09:15	Highlights of Day 1 (Video clip)
09:15-11:00	Session 5. The role of Public Employment Services as driving forces (Governance, Sector Selection, Identification of Employers and Matching)  Facilitation: Ms Shahira WASSEF, Head of Migration Portfolio, GIZ Egypt  Mr Noureddine BENKHALIL, Director General, ANAPEC, Morocco  Ms Najet GALAOUI, Director, International Cooperation, ANETI, Tunisia  Ms. Abeer FOUAD, Director General of the General Administration of Labour Market Information, Ministry of Manpower, Egypt  Mr Alexander WILHELM, Director International Relations, Federal Public Employment Agency – (BA), Germany  Ms Jessica SBRISSA, Experte Relation Extérieure, Forem Belgium  Dr Ashley WAREING, ILO consultant / WASPES Expert: Benchmarking
11:00 – 11:15	Break
11:15 – 13:30	<ul> <li>Session 6. Engaging multiple actors in skills anticipation and training for successful skills mobility partnerships in THAMM</li> <li>Facilitation: Ms Raffaella GRECO-TONEGUTTI, ENABEL</li> <li>Ms Salima BEN SALEM, Division chief, International Placement, ANAPEC, Morocco: Introduction to THAMM Enabel approach and the processes implemented regarding labour markets intersections and job identification (role and stakeholders involved)</li> <li>Mr Mhammed NEJJARI, Département de l'Emploi, MIEPEEC, Morocco: Introduction to Morocco roadmap on Skills anticipation</li> <li>Ms Ellen ALBRECHTS, VDAB (PES Flanders-Belgium): Skills analysis related to training curricula in origin countries and their matching with destination countries needs</li> <li>Mr Taoufik OULED ALI, Director, Division du Placement international, ANETI, Tunisia: Comparing skills needed for a specific sector/job in Tunisia and the EU, on the basis of the skills' analysis developed through the Tunisian Reference Framework for Jobs and Skills</li> <li>Mr Mohamed BENKHALED, CEO, Peaqock finance: Adjustment between skills anticipation and skills training and the opportunities for employers, talents and partner countries</li> <li>Dr. Aymen FARID, Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research, Egypt</li> <li>Mr Peter BODE, Managing Director Habotec, Germany</li> <li>Mr Fabrice BLANCHARD, OFII: Skilling, skills anticipation and training in circular migration</li> <li>Discussion</li> </ul>
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch break
14:30 – 16:15	<ul> <li>Session 7. Overcoming challenges in recognition of qualifications, skills and competencies</li> <li>Facilitation: Ms Dalia MAHMOUD, National Coordinator, PROSPECTS Project, ILO-Cairo</li> <li>Testimonials of migrant workers on recognition of qualifications and competencies prior to departure and upon return</li> <li>Ms Laura SCHMID, ILO. Recognition for the low-skilled: Competencies and Prior learning</li> <li>Ms Hind BOUBIA, Head of Division: Prospection &amp; Marketing, ANAPEC, Morocco</li> </ul>





# **DAY 3: TOWARDS NEW TALENT PARTNERSHIPS**

9:00 – 09:15	Highlights of Day 2 (video clip)
09:15 – 11:00	<ul> <li>Session 8. Private Employment Agencies' role in new mobility partnerships</li> <li>Facilitation: Dr Fabio JIMENEZ, Head of Unit Labor Migration Governance and Mobility, IOM-HQs</li> <li>Testimonials from licensed PEAs: Mr Hajouji TAWDIF (MOR), CEO of Aldelia, Mr Cedric FILET, Belgium (online)</li> <li>Mr Slim ABDELJELIL, ILO Consultant, Tunisia</li> <li>Mr Pawel SZALUS, IRIS Program Manager, International Organization for Migration (IOM)</li> <li>Mr Brahim ABIDAR, Direction de l'Emploi, MIEPEEC, Morocco</li> <li>Mr Ahmed MESSAOUDI, DGPEMOE MFPE, Tunisia</li> <li>Mr Sayed EL SHARKAWY, General Manager of Labour Inspection Department MoM, Egypt</li> <li>Mr Lahsen HANSALI, Union Générale des Travailleurs du Maroc (UGTM), Morocco (Workers' organizations)</li> <li>Mr Mehdi AYADI, Chair, Chamber of Commerce - Interim Companies / UTICA, Tunisia (Employers' organization)</li> <li>Discussion</li> </ul>
11:00 – 12:30	<ul> <li>Session 9. Ingredients for innovative skills mobility partnerships</li> <li>Facilitation: Ms Isabelle KRONISCH, ILO Labour Migration and Mobility Specialist North Africa &amp; the Horn</li> <li>Dr Sona KALANTARYAN, Project Officer, Knowledge Centre on Migration and Demography, European Commission Joint Research Centre (JRC) (online)</li> <li>Ms Mariavittoria GARLAPPI, Senior Human Capital Development Expert - Skills and Migration, European Training Foundation (ETF) (online)</li> <li>Dr Jason GAGNON, Head of Unit, Migration and Development, OECD Development Centre</li> <li>Dr Fabio JIMENEZ, Head of Unit, Labour Mobility and Markets Unit, IOM HQ</li> <li>Ms Natalia POPOVA, Labour Migration Specialist, MIGRANT Branch, ILO (online)</li> <li>Dr Katrin MARCHAND, Researcher, UNU-MERIT, Maastricht University (GIZ partner)</li> <li>Ms Jamila EL MASBAHI, Lawyer, Flemish Government – Department Work and Social Economy (ENABEL partner) (online)</li> </ul>
12:30 – 12:45	Break
12:45 – 13:45	<ul> <li>Roundtable: Recommendations to Key Stakeholders         in North Africa and the European Union -</li> <li>Facilitation: Ms Paola ALVAREZ, Senior Regional Thematic Specialist on Labour Mobility and Social Inclusion, IOM-Brussels</li> <li>H.E. Amb. Neveen EL-HUSSEINY Deputy Assistant Foreign Minister for Refugees, Migration and Combatting Human Trafficking, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Egypt</li> <li>Mr Noureddine BENKHALIL, Director General, ANAPEC, Morocco</li> <li>Mr Ahmed MESSAOUDI, Directeur Général, DGPEMOE, MFPE, Tunisia</li> </ul>



	<ul> <li>Ms Odette SARR BOLLY, JLMP Programme Coordinator, Labour, Employment and Migration Division, Health, Humanitarian Affairs and Social Development, African Union Commission</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Ms Elsa PAPAGEORGIOU, Programme Manager, Migration Unit, DG NEAR, European Commission</li> </ul>
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	<ul> <li>Mr Ali SERHANI, Confédération Générale des Entreprises du Maroc (CGEM) (Employers' organizations)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Mr Yves MONTALESCOT, French Democratic Labour Confederation, France / Sub-Sa- haran African – Mediterranean Migration Network (RSMMS)</li> </ul>
	Overall synthesis of conference key findings: Prof Ibrahim AWAD, Director, Center for
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