SUPPORT TO FREE MOVEMENT

OF PERSONS AND MIGRATION

IN WEST AFRICA - PHASE II

(FMM WEST AFRICA II)





The FMM II programme seeks to maximise the development potential of the free movement of persons and migration in West Africa by supporting the effective implementation of the ECOWAS Free Movement of Persons Protocol and the ECOWAS Common Approach to Migration. It will build on previous achievements recorded under the first phase, and continue strengthening the region's development potential, taking into account the myriad and evolving drivers of human mobility such as climate change, gender, etc.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS UNDER FMM PHASE

- Supported the institutionalisation of the Migration Dialogue for West Africa (MIDWA).
- Supported the development of a regional migration policy and training on migration policy development.
- Supported the ECOWAS Commission in the evaluation of implementation by Member States of the ECOWAS Protocol on Free Movement.
- Strengthened the capacities of the ECOWAS Commission and the Member States in migration data collection & management; immigration/border management; labour migration management; counter-trafficking monitoring mechanisms.
- 13 projects on strengthening the protection of migrants' and cross-border populations' rights implemented by Non-State Actors in the Member States through grants received.
- 11 actions provided tailor-made technical assistance to national institutions, strengthening the capacity of government agencies to deliver their mandate in key migration governance areas.
- The revival and strengthening of structures and procedures of the ECOWAS Social Dialogue Forum" and The ECOWAS Directive on Minimum Standards for Harmonization of Labour Legislation (assessments – guidelines on migrant workers' rights - national and regional consultations)

PROJECT INFORMATION

Donor	European Union (DG INTPA)
Consortium Partners	International Organization for Migration (IOM), International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD), International Labour Organization (ILO)
Geographical Coverage	ECOWAS Member States and Mauritania
Beneficiaries	ECOWAS Commission, ECOWAS Member States and Mauritania, Selected national institutions responsible for migration management, Non-State Actors, Migrants and Cross-Border Populations in ECOWAS countries and Mauritania
Duration	60 months

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REGIONAL LEVEL

Strengthening the Capacities of the ECOWAS Commission

FMM II will support regional coordination and labour migration policies. It will strengthen the Migration Dialogue for West Africa (MIDWA) and the tripartite Social Dialogue Forum (SDF) to conduct dialogue on labour migration. Capacities of the Commission will be strengthened on migration data, immigration & border management, counter-trafficking, child protection & child labour, human mobility in the context of climate change, environmental degradation and disasters, information & sensitization, and regional governance frameworks on labour migration.

NATIONAL LEVEL

Strengthening the Capacities of National Institutions

Capacities of national institutions will be strengthened in the areas of migration data collection & management, border management & legal identity management, labour migration & counter-trafficking, and migration policy development. Tailored technical assistance will be delivered to national institutions through the Demand Driven Facility (DDF) to enable them implement the provisions of the various regional instruments on Free Movement and to mainstream gender, climate change, and the protection of human rights in migration governance.

LOCAL LEVEL

Promoting the Engagement of Non-State Actors and Local Authorities

ECOWAS citizens will be informed of their mobility rights and obligations through engagements, trainings, and awareness raising activities undertaken by Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) and private sector stakeholders on the activities of the Protocol on Free Movement and Regional Integration Agenda. Non-State Actors (NSAs) and Local Authorities, including women organisations, will receive grants through a Call for Proposals to implement specific projects that will inform and protect migrants and foster cooperation between border populations in West Africa.



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