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Global Migration Policy Associates
*An International research, policy development,
advisory services and advocacy group*

GMPA SUMMARY ACTIVITY REPORT 2019

About GMPA

Global Migration Policy Associates is a unique network among migration experts in all regions of the world. Its Associates reflect diverse academic and practical disciplines addressing multiple aspects and impacts of migration. The organisation seeks to support, encourage and generate knowledge and analysis for a broad-based international defence of the rights-based approach. It challenges and articulates alternatives to the instrumental cost-benefit logic of 'migration management' predominant today. In order to 'make a difference', GMPA articulates knowledge and analysis independent of the dominant framework while supporting member and partner mobilization and activities.

GMPA conducts its activity with financial and other resources from modest member dues and project funding for research, advisory, and training activities. GMPA has never received external grant or other funding to sustain core operations and administration, instead 'supporting itself' by *pro-bono* voluntary staff work by member Associates and *cooperants*. It thus retains an ability to function independently of agendas, grant conditionalities, and funding cycles of other international or national institutions, philanthropic foundations, or governments.

GMPA's comparative advantage

We represent and give life to a rights-based agenda rooted in advocacy, practice and the experience of migration worldwide. We give emphasis to migrants as human beings first and foremost, addressing discrimination and equality of treatment for all migrants and immigrants. We offer alternatives to emphasis on migrants as "agents of development" who are praised for their utilitarian value but encouraged to trade away universal rights in exchange for presumed development gains. We uphold human rights, democratic approaches and social justice as defining principles for migration whether temporary or permanent, and we promote leadership and action by government at all levels, social partners, civil society and migrant communities.

In 2019:

GMPA concentrated its work in research, policy development and training work described on following pages. Salient accomplishments included: preparation, publication and board approval of a comprehensive evaluation of ILO International Training Center activities on migration for employment/*labour migration*; providing professional training for Ethiopian government and social partner officials, for Tunisian trade union social workers and organisers, for tripartite officials of seven IGAD countries, and labour attachés from numerous countries; initiating an ambitious effort supporting the IGAD - Inter-Governmental Authority on Development to develop a *common approach* on Bilateral Labour Agreements – BLAs; contributing to and co-editing 11 national reports on European countries and co-authoring an EU-wide report on *migration and development*. Also, the GMPA President presented a global overview plenary address at an International Conference of *migration museum* curators 'Experiencing the Museum: People with Migrant Backgrounds' in Moscow in December.

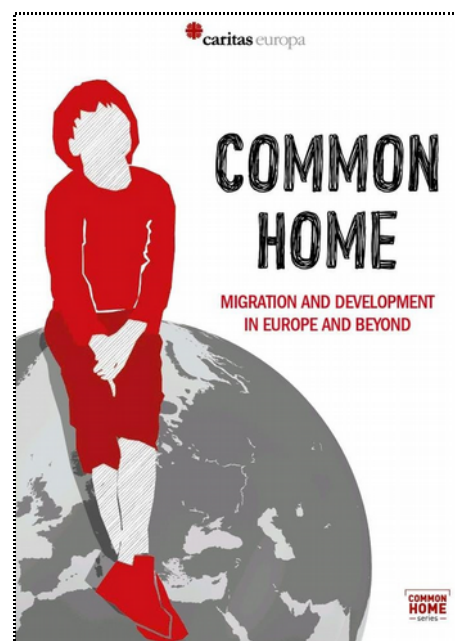
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I. Main GMPA Research, policy advisory services, and evaluation work in 2019:

Four main research activities occupied the core GMPA team over the course of the year:

1. In 2019, a GMPA team (Olga Kadysheva, Patrick Taran, Piyasiri Wickramasekara) supported finalisation and publication of **11 Caritas national studies in EU countries** (*Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Sweden*) on *migration and development* explicitly tying migration to the Sustainable Development Agenda (published and launched in May 2019). GMPA cooperated in the development of structure/outline, identifying relevant literature and data sources, revision, editions and comments on 3 drafts of each national report over 2018. In early 2019, the GMPA colleagues final edited revised drafts for publication of all 11 national reports. (See list of reports on pp.10-11)

From early 2019 to mid-year, the GMPA core team (Olga Kadysheva, Patrick Taran, Piyasiri Wickramasekara with support by Addie Cusick, Katya Garcia-Israel, Jaycee Greeley and Tara Thomas) researched and drafted ***Common Home: Migration and Development in Europe and beyond*** report (finalised and published in Fall 2019). The work was under contract with Caritas Europa, as part of the *MIND – Migration. Interconnectedness. Development* project, financed by the European Commission (DG DEVCO).



2. **Evaluation of the ITC ILO labour migration training activities.** Patrick Taran was Team Leader with support by Olga Kadysheva for a thorough, first time evaluation of the labour migration activities (over a two year period) of the International Training Center of the ILO. The evaluation entailed work over four months in 2019 adapting OECD, ILO and GMPA evaluation methodology and criteria to this specific programme and content and included interviews/assessment meetings with ITC-ILO executives and trade unionists, analysis of findings, and preparation and revisions of report and recommendations. (See details in *Feature Activity* on p.12)

3. A GMPA team (Patrick Taran and Olga Kadysheva with assistance by GMPA Research Associates Katya Garcia-Israel and Jaycee Greeley) continued research and revision of the draft comprehensive **City Practitioners Handbook** on *Welcoming Migrants and Refugees; towards inclusive and sustainable cities*, to be published by/with UNESCO in collaboration with ECCAR – European Coalition of Cities Against Racism, and GMPA, in 2021/22.

4. Formulation and initiation of large scale project for **research and evaluation of Bilateral Labour Agreements (BLAs) and development of Guidelines on a common rights-based approach for the IGAD**–Intergovernmental Authority on Development (among East Africa-Horn of Africa countries Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan and Uganda). Core team was Patrick Taran and GMPA Vice-President Piyasiri Wickramasekara, supported by Associate Olga Kadysheva with research assistance by Maribini Muswede. The project was proposed by/to ILO in August and initiated in November 2019 and carried through to November 2020. (Details in 2020 report).

II. GMPA-conducted trainings and participation in conferences in 2019:

II. A. Knowledge-sharing and training activities with International Training Center of the ILO (ITC ILO)

1. Patrick Taran, GMPA President was lead trainer with Vincent Williams of South Africa at the ILO-ITC training course ***Enhancing the protection of low-skilled migrant workers*** (26-29 March 2019, Turin). Training participants included senior government officials from the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, the Attorney General's office, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Consular Officers from Ethiopian missions in several Middle East and GCC countries, senior officials of the Ethiopia Employers Federation and from the national Federation of Trade Unions. See *Featured Activity* on page 15 below for details of training agenda and content.

2. Piyasiri Wickramasekara, GMPA Vice-President was lead trainer at the ILO-ITC training course ***Negotiating Bilateral Labour Agreements, Turin, Italy*** (17-21 June 2019).



This was the second training course on bilateral labour agreements launched by ITC ILO. The participants representing government officials and social partners were drawn mostly from African countries: Cameroon, Ivory Coast, Morocco, Tunisia and the Secretariat of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development of East Africa. In addition, there were two participants from Bulgaria. The course was bilingual – English and French. It covered major issues relating to the development and implementation and follow up of bilateral labour agreements and related negotiation processes. Dr. Piyasiri Wickramasekara was the lead trainer on technical issues of BLAs.

3. Piyasiri Wickramasekara, GMPA Vice-President was lead trainer at the ILO-ITC training course ***Strengthening labour attaché services for better governance and protection of migrant workers***, Turin, Italy, 2-6 September 2019. This was the second edition of the training course delivered to government officials serving in Bangladesh missions in the Middle East and Asia and the ministry responsible for migration in Bangladesh (Ministry of Expatriate Welfare and Overseas Employment). 20 officials participated in the event. The agenda covered issues relating to roles of labour attaches, relevant international instruments, protection issues of migrant workers, conflict management and dispute resolution, labour inspection systems, bilateral labour agreements and promotion of labour market opportunities and reporting procedures. The GMPA resource person contributed to the development of the course agenda, prepared and delivered presentations during five sessions from 2-6 September 2019, supervised group activities, and acted as a resource person throughout the above course.



Photos: course participants in session. Photo credit: ITCILO

4. Patrick Taran, GMPA President was international expert trainer with Hedayat Selim at the **ITC-ILO field training course** on labour migration ***Accompagnement et protection des migrants tout au long du cycle migratoire : Quel rôle pour les syndicats ?*** (Accompaniment and protection of migrants throughout the migration cycle: What role for unions?) held (in French language) in Agadir, Tunisia, 24-27 September, organized with the **Tunisian Confederation of Trade Unions**. The main topics and presenters were:

- Définitions, tendances migratoires et enjeux de la gouvernance des migrations **Patrick Taran**
- Défis et problématiques de l'intégration des migrants tout au long du cycle migratoire. *Activité de groupe : Animation Sofiène Ben Hamida et Hedayat Selim*
- Renforcer le tripartisme et le dialogue social en matière de migration **Patrick Taran**
- Normes internationales protégeant les travailleurs migrants **Patrick Taran**
- Législation nationale en matière de migration de travail **Mme Raoudha Labidi Zaafrane**
- Etablir des processus de recrutement équitable: Quel rôle pour les points focaux de la migration ? **Mme Ferdoues Ouertani**
- Initiatives et stratégie syndicale nationale en matière de migration de main d'œuvre : *Activité de groupe : Animation Radhi Ben Hassine et Hedayat Selim*
- Accords bilatéraux et multilatéraux entre syndicats et initiatives syndicales visant à protéger les travailleurs migrants **Mr. Jean-René Bilongo** et **M. Sami Adouani**
- Aborder les questions de genre, de violence et de harcèlement dans la migration **Mme Najet Arari**
- Défendre et organiser les catégories de travailleurs/travailleuses migrants-es **M.Hassen Boubakri** et **M. Jean-René Bilongo**
- Réinsertion socioprofessionnelle des migrants de retour **Mme Ahlem Hammami**
- Accueil et accompagnement des migrants en Tunisie : Voie à suivre *Activité de groupe : Animation Zoubeida Nakib et Hedayat Selim*

II. B. GMPA/Associate Participation in conferences and workshops in 2019

1. The global workshop: ***HIV among Migrants and Refugees: Strengthening collaboration among faith-based organizations, multi-lateral organizations, governments, and civil society in addressing HIV risk, provision of services, and advocacy***, 20 – 21 February 2019, at Ecumenical Center/WCC in Geneva. Organized in a team effort among the World Council of Churches (WCC), the International Catholic Migration Commission (ICMC) and UNAIDS, its focus was on mobilizing advocacy and action by Faith Based Organizations in cooperation with CSOs-NGOs, UN Agencies, International Organizations and concerned governments.

Patrick Taran spoke on: *'Mobilizing together: a global framework for rights-based action on migration, health and HIV&AIDS'*. GMPA prepared a paper/handout for participants: *'Migration-Health-HIV&AIDS Framework for Action Brief'* drawing on the ILO book *Migration, Health and HIV&AIDS: A Rights-Based Approach* (researched and written by GMPA).

The brief is online at:

<http://www.globalmigrationpolicy.org/articles/Health/Migration-Health-HIV&AIDS%20Framework%20for%20Action%20Brief%202019.pdf>



GMPA President Patrick Taran speaking at the global workshop HIV among Migrants and Refugees, at the World Council of Churches, Geneva, 20 February 2019. Photo by Albin Hillert

2. GMPA staffed a booth at the ***Connexion Career Days 2019, IHEID Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies*** on 20 February; GMPA members Olga Kadysheva, Patrick Taran and Tara Thomas participation in the *Career Days* seminar on ***Diplomacy, Government and International Cooperation***.

3. Associate ***Evalyn Tennant*** attended the ***UN Expert symposium on international migration and development***, organised by UN DESA on 26 February 2019 at UN headquarters in New York where she presented an abbreviated version of the updated 15-page 2018 version of the *Migration and SDGs matrix* (prepared by GMPA). Matrix at: <http://www.globalmigrationpolicy.org/articles/development/SDGs%20Migration%20actions,%20indicators%20V3.4%20GMPA%202018.pdf>

4. Patrick Taran was keynote speaker at the European regional inter-university Conference "***Re-framing the Migrant Situation in Europe. Critical Issues in Policy-Making and Cross-disciplinary Approaches***" at the University of Peloponnese, Greece, 28 February-1 March, organized by *Inter Alia* & Department of Political Science & International Relations, University of Peloponnese. See program at <https://pedis.uop.gr/pydio/data/public/2bd620.php>; conference materials at <https://interaliaproject.com/conference-materials-tcau/>

5. Conference "***Migrants' Rights at a Crossroads: Seizing the Moment(um) of the UN Global Compact for Migration and the SDGs 2030 to forge a new path for the protection of migrants' rights***", University of Leicester, UK, 22 March 2019: Patrick Taran presented a paper '*Regime Change: Reflections on the implications and impact of the global compact on migration*' Video of the session with Mr Taran, '*How protection of migrants' rights is key to achieving the SDGs*' online at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WQgz4t7w3-M&list=PL-kiEic_8yhTcvUm1251aQ1heHh1KwIOD&index=8

Videos of all sessions at the conference "*Migrants' Rights at a Crossroads*" available at: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL-kiEic_8yhTcvUm1251aQ1heHh1KwIOD



Migrants Rights at a Crossroads Conference speakers and organisers: Izabella Majcher, Patrick Taran, Jenna Holliday, Bernard Ryan, Mariette Grange, University of Leicester, 22 March 2019. Photo by Ambrose Musiyiwa / CivicLeicester.

6. Colloque '**Villes, migrations et droit international**', 6 juin 2019, L'université Côte d'Azur, Nice, *Laboratoire de droit international et européen*: Patrick Taran made a presentation "**Le programme de l'UNESCO « Villes accueillantes pour les réfugiés et les migrants »**" (The UNESCO Programme: "Cities Welcoming Refugees and Migrants".) A summary of the event content and the programme are presented online (in French) at <https://univ-droit.fr/actualites-de-la-recherche/manifestations/31478-villes-migrations-et-droit-international>

7. **IOM-Civil Society Information Sharing** session, **17 June** at IOM Headquarters in Geneva, with the focus on **Migration & the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**. Patrick Taran presented the evolving '*migration and SDGs matrix*' (2018 edition V.3.4) --still the most comprehensive reference on the multiple applicability of some 45 SDG Targets across 16 of the 17 SDGs to migrations, refugees, migration and migration compelling situations. See GMPA Matrix at: <http://www.globalmigrationpolicy.org/articles/development/SDGs%20Migration%20actions,%20indicators%20V3.4%20GMPA%202018.pdf>

8. Piyasiri Wickramasekara spoke at the Conference '**Transforming Challenges of Migration into Opportunity: Call for Declaration of 2021-2030 as the Decade of Migration in Bangladesh**', in Dhaka, 27-28 July 2019, organised by Refugee and Migratory Movements Research Unit (RMMRU).



Photo: *Transforming Challenges of Migration* conference, Concluding Session speakers; Piyasiri Wickramasekara 2nd from right. Dhaka, 27 July 2019.

The Refugee and Migratory Movements Research Unit (Dhaka, Bangladesh) organized the two-day Conference on 'Transforming Challenges of Migration into Opportunity: Call for declaration of Migration decade in Bangladesh' jointly with with British Council's Prokas Programme and UKAID. (See press article, "Experts demand declaring 2021-30 as migration decade" <https://www.newagebd.net/article/80009/onelink.to/nagadapp>). The Conference addressed issues of protection, cost of migration, climate change and migration, remittances and reintegration of returning migrants. Panels in each session identified the challenges, and actions to be taken during the Migration Decade followed by a floor discussion. The GMPA Expert, Dr. Piyasiri Wickramasekara contributed to revision of the concept note and the agenda of the Conference. He also acted as the moderator of Session 1 on the Protection of Migrant Workers. He also participated in the high level panel at the end of the conference and made some remarks on suggestions made by various stakerholders for the proposed Migration Decade.

9. Piyasiri Wickramasekara of GMPA was the lead resource person for the **ASEAN Workshop on Reintegration Programmes for Returning Migrant Workers** responsible for developing a background report on Effective Return and Reintegration of Migrant Workers in ASEAN for the ILO and the Government of Indonesia. The report was validated at the ASEAN Workshop on **Reintegration Programmes for Returning Migrant Workers**, organized by the Ministry of Manpower, Government of Indonesia, and the ILO TRIANGLE in ASEAN programme, 27–28 August 2019, Yogyakarta. The tripartite members of the ASEAN Committee on Migrant Workers (ACMW) offered comments and suggestions for improvement of the background report. Wickramasekara presented the elements of the revised draft at the final session of the workshop.





Photo: ASEAN Workshop speakers, l to r: Piyasiri Wickramasekara, GMPA; Ms. Sri Lestari, International Cooperation Bureau, Ministry of Manpower of Indonesia; Ms. Mega Irena, Head of Labour and Civil Service Division, ASEAN Secretariat

10. Patrick Taran and Olga Kadysheva participated at the 12th United Nations Forum on Minority Issues, Palais des Nations, Geneva, 28-29 November 2019. Patrick Taran prepared an Expert Statement "***Language, Survival of Minority and Indigenous Peoples, and Measures for Recognition, Preservation, Teaching and Usage of Languages***".

11. Patrick Taran was a plenary speaker at the **International migration museums conference *Experiencing the Museum: People with Migrant Backgrounds***, at the The Garage Museum of Contemporary Art in Moscow, 5-7 December. (see *feature activity* summary below on p.13).

12. Study on ***Admission Policies and Recruitment Practices for Indonesian Workers in the Domestic Work and Plantation Sectors of Malaysia***; **validation workshop** held in **Kuala Lumpur** on 20 December 2019. This study was carried within the framework of the ILO Improving Migration Governance Project in Malaysia supported by the US State Department. Dr. Piyasiri Wickramasekara undertook missions to Malaysia and Indonesia for consultations with stakeholders in connection with the study. The report reviewed existing policies and made a number of recommendations to the governments of Indonesia and Malaysia and concerned stakeholders.

Teaching

Patrick Taran, GMPA President and Visiting Professor at the **Geneva School of Diplomacy & International Relations** (GSD), taught the BA-International Relations courses: *International migration: development, human rights, and governance challenges* (Spring semester 2019) and *Civil society, coalitions and networks: roles, development, impact and organizing practices* (Fall semester 2019)

III. Publications 2019, including research papers and reports:

III. A. Publications by GMPA and by Associates credited in association with GMPA:

1. **Migration-Health-HIV&AIDS Framework for Action Brief.** Prepared by Patrick Taran for the global workshop "HIV among Migrants and Refugees: Strengthening collaboration among faith-based organizations, multi-lateral organizations, governments, and civil society in addressing HIV risk, provision of services, and advocacy", 20 – 21 February 2019, Ecumenical Center/WCC, Geneva. <http://www.globalmigrationpolicy.org/articles/Health/Migration-Health-HIV&AIDS%20Framework%20for%20Action%20Brief%202019.pdf>
2. **Migration, human rights, development & governance: re-framing migration in the 21st century.** Keynote address by Patrick Taran at the European regional inter-university conference "Re-framing the migrant situation in Europe. Critical Issues in Policy-Making and Cross-disciplinary Approaches" at the University of Peloponnese, Greece, 28 February-1 March, organized by *Inter Alia* & Department of Political Science & International Relations, University of Peloponnese.
3. '**Regime Change: Reflections on the implications and impact of the global compact on migration**' presentation text by Patrick Taran at the Conference "Migrants' Rights at a Crossroads: Seizing the Moment(um) of the UN Global Compact for Migration and the SDGs 2030 to forge a new path for the protection of migrants' rights" at University of Leicester, UK, 22 March 2019.
4. Wickramasekara, P. (2019). **Accession with low compliance: Sri Lanka's experience with the 1990 International Convention on Migrant Workers**, in: Migration and Development Journal, Taylor and Francis, Published online 19 June 2019. <https://doi.org/10.1080/21632324.2019.1630171>
5. **Independent external evaluation of the ITCILO training and learning activities in the area of labour migration from the beginning of 2017 till mid-2018: Final Evaluation Report.** Prepared by Patrick Taran with technical assistance by Olga Kadysheva. ILO International Training Center, Turin. August 2019. 100 pages. https://www.itcilo.org/sites/default/files/inline-files/Final%20Evaluation%20Report%20ITCILO%20Migration%20Activities%202017-18%20GMPA%20CLEAR%205Aug19_1.pdf
6. **Common Home: Migration and Development in Europe and beyond.** Caritas Europa, Brussels. November 2019. 152 pages. Patrick Taran, Olga Kadysheva, Piyasiri Wickramasekara (GMPA); Luisa Fondello, Davide Gnes, and Shannon Pfohman (Caritas Europa). Contributions and support by Addie Cusick, Katya Garcia-Israel, Jaycee Greeley, Tara Thomas (GMPA), Lucy Anns, Leila Bodeux, and Ester Bohé (Caritas Europa); Joana Alfaiate (Caritas Portugal); and Tom Devriendt (Caritas International Belgium). <https://www.caritas.eu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/European-Common-Home-full-publication-one-page.pdf>
7. **Language, Survival of Minority and Indigenous Peoples, and Measures for Recognition, Preservation, Teaching and Usage of Languages.** Expert Statement by Patrick Taran at the 12th United Nations Forum on Minority Issues, Palais des Nations, Geneva, 29 November 2019. <http://www.globalmigrationpolicy.org/articles/integration/Taran-GMPA%20text%20UN%20Minority%20Issues%20Forum%2029nov2019.pdf>
8. **The Global Migration Context for 'Experiencing the Museum: People with Migrant Backgrounds'**, Keynote address by Patrick Taran at the Conference Experiencing the Museum at the Garage Museum of Contemporary Art, Moscow, 5-7 December 2019. <http://www.globalmigrationpolicy.org/articles/integration/Migration%20&%20Museums%20Global%20Migration%20Context%20TARAN%202019.pdf>
9. **GMPA quadrennial report (2015-2018)** to United Nations ECOSOC -Economic and Social Council. December 2019. (A summary review of GMPA activity and products relevant to the UN and its agencies and activities, as required to maintain GMPA NGO accreditation with UN ECOSOC) <http://www.globalmigrationpolicy.org/articles/activities/GMPA%20Quadrennial%20Report%202015-18%20UN-ECOSOC%2031dec2019.pdf>

III.B. Publications prepared with significant contributions by GMPA:

Common Home Series: Migration and Development national studies in 11 EU countries (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Sweden). (published in May 2019, in English and in country's national language) <https://www.caritas.eu/common-home-series/>

These publications were a product of MIND (Migration. Interconnectedness. Development), a 3-year project financed by the European Commission (DG DEVCO). The aim was to raise public awareness on the relation between sustainable development and migration and the European Union's role in development cooperation. Led by Caritas Austria, the partners of the MIND project were: Caritas Bavaria (Germany), Caritas International Belgium, Caritas Bulgaria, Caritas Czech Republic, Caritas Europa, Caritas Italy, Cordaid (Caritas Netherlands), Caritas Portugal, Caritas Slovakia, Caritas Slovenia and Caritas Sweden.

1. Common Home: Migration and Development in Austria

Researched and written by Katerina Kratzmann and Katharina Hartl (Caritas Austria) with the support of the staff of Caritas Austria. Contributions and editing by Olga Kadysheva, Patrick Taran, and Piyasiri Wickramasekara (Global Migration Policy Associates - GMPA) and Davide Gnes and Shannon Pfohman (Caritas Europa).

<https://www.caritas.eu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/CommonHomeAustriaEN.pdf>

2. Common Home: Migration and Development in Belgium

Researched and written by Jean-Michel Lafleur and Abdeslam Marfouk with the contribution of Tom Devriendt, Elise Kervyn, Laure Leclipteur, Pieter Van Roeyen and Elisabeth Verniers (Caritas International Belgium). Contributions and edits by Olga Kadysheva, Patrick Taran and Piyasiri Wickramasekara (Global Migration Policy Associates – GMPA), Davide Gnes and Shannon Pfohman (Caritas Europa).

<https://www.caritas.eu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/CommonHomeBelgiumEN.pdf>



3. The Bulgarian Migration paradox: Migration and Development in Bulgaria.

This publication was authored by Prof. Anna Krasteva with the support of Cáritas, Global Migration Policy Associates (GMPA), and Caritas Europa.

<https://www.caritas.eu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/CommonHomeBulgariaEN.pdf>

4. Pathways to prosperity: Migration and Development in the Czech Republic

Researched and written by Tomáš Jungwirth with the support of Klára Boumová and Jana Harušťáková (Caritas Czech Republic). Contributions and editing by Olga Kadysheva, Patrick Taran, and Piyasiri Wickramasekara (Global Migration Policy Associates – GMPA) and Davide Gnes and Shannon Pfohman (Caritas Europa).

<https://www.caritas.eu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/CommonHomeCzechRepublicEN.pdf>

5. *Building the Common Home: Migration and Development in Germany*

Researched and written by Dr. Annett Fleischer with the support of Silvia Karl and Tobias Utters of Deutscher Caritasverband Landesverband Bayern e.V. (Caritas Bavaria) and Leticia Lozano (Caritas Europa). Contributions and editing by Olga Kadysheva, Patrick Taran, and Piyasiri Wickramasekara (Global Migration Policy Associates - GMPA) and Davide Gnes and Shannon Pfohman (Caritas Europa)
<https://www.caritas.eu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/CommonHomeBavariaEN.pdf>

6. *Common Home: Migration and Development in Italy*

Researched and written by Sebastiano Ceschi with the support of Paolo Beccegato, Laura Stopponi, Massimo Pallottino, Oliviero Forti, Giovanna Corbatta (Caritas Italiana) and Andrea Stocchiero (FOCSIV). Contributions and editing by Olga Kadysheva, Patrick Taran, and Piyasiri Wickramasekara (Global Migration Policy Associates - GMPA) and Davide Gnes and Shannon Pfohman (Caritas Europa).
<https://www.caritas.eu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/CommonHomeItalyEN.pdf>

7. *Development and Migration: Policies and Outcomes in the Netherlands.*

Researched and written by Prof. Dr. Mirjam van Reizen, Rick Schoenmaeckers and Bob van Dillen. This was carried out with the support of Global Migration Policy Associates (GMPA) and Caritas Europa.
<https://www.cordaid.org/nl/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2019/05/Development-and-Migration-2019.pdf>

8. *Common Home: Migration and Development in Portugal. Moving further with practices: towards social inclusion and social cohesion.*

Researched and written by Pedro Góis (GMPA Associate), Researcher at the Centre for Social Studies (CES) of the University of Coimbra - Associated Laboratory with the support of Filipa Abecasis, Joana Alfaiate and Mariana Hancock (Cáritas Portuguesa) and Leticia Lozano (Caritas Europa). Proofread by Mauricio Ruiz and Richard Tuffs. Contributions and editing by Olga Kadysheva, Patrick Taran, and Piyasiri Wickramasekara (Global Migration Policy Associates - GMPA), and Davide Gnes and Shannon Pfohman (Caritas Europa).
<https://www.caritas.eu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/CommonHomePortugalEN2.pdf>

9. *Common Home Publication: Migration and Development in Slovakia*

Authors: Mgr. Silvia Letavajová, PhD. a RNDr. Boris Divinský. Contributions and editing by Olga Kadysheva, Patrick Taran, and Piyasiri Wickramasekara (Global Migration Policy Associates - GMPA) and Davide Gnes and Shannon Pfohman (Caritas Europa).
<https://www.caritas.eu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/CommonHomeSlovakiaEN.pdf>

10. *Our Common Home: Migration and Development in Slovenia*

Researched and written by Romana Zidar, PhD (Social protection Institute of Republic of Slovenia) with the support of Jana Lampe, Nina Stenko Primožič, Peter Tomažič and Cveto Uršič, MA (Caritas Slovenia), Irma Šinkovec (Department for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Assistance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs RS) and Leticia Lozano (Caritas Europa). Contributions and editing by Olga Kadysheva, Patrick Taran, and Piyasiri Wickramasekara (Global Migration Policy Associates - GMPA) and Davide Gnes and Shannon Pfohman (Caritas Europa).
<https://www.caritas.eu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/CommonHomeSloveniaEN.pdf>


11. *Our Common Home: Migration and Development in Sweden*

Researched and written by Paul Lappalainen with the support of George Joseph, Caritas Sverige. Contributions and editing by Olga Kadysheva, Patrick Taran, and Piyasiri Wickramasekara (Global Migration Policy Associates - GMPA) and Davide Gnes and Shannon Pfohman (Caritas Europa).
<https://www.caritas.eu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/CommonHomeSwedenEN2.pdf>

2019 Featured Activities

Evaluation of the ITC-ILO labour migration training activities

Patrick Taran was Team Leader with support by Olga Kadyshcheva for a thorough first time evaluation of the migration for employment/*labour migration* activities of the International Training Center of the ILO. The evaluation period covered a two year span of activities 2016-2018, 30 ITC trainings, academies, and field trainings in several regions. The evaluation was awarded to GMPA with Patrick Taran as expert evaluator, contracted with the ITC Evaluation unit following an open call for proposals.

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| <p>Independent external evaluation of the ITCILO training and learning activities in the area of labour migration <i>from the beginning of 2017 till mid-2018</i></p> <p>FINAL EVALUATION REPORT</p> <p>Prepared by: Patrick A. Taran Independent Expert Evaluator with technical assistance by Olga Kadyshcheva for Global Migration Policy Associates Geneva under contract with the ITCILO, Turin</p> <p>August 2019</p>  | <p>In view of the specificity of the field of migration for employment/labour migration and the specific context of ITC-ILO training approaches and methodologies, the team elaborated a hybrid evaluation approach and methodology with assessment criteria, indicators and measures adapted to these specifics combining OECD DAC, ILO evaluation, and GMPA evaluator knowledge, approaches, methodology, criteria and experience. The latter included prior GMPA-conducted <i>Mid-term Evaluation of the EU-Africa MMD –migration and mobility for development cooperation partnership</i> and the <i>Evaluation finale du programme MEET Africa- Mobilisation Européenne pour l'Entrepreneuriat en Afrique</i> commissioned by Expertise France.</p> <p>The final report was presented to and approved by the ITC-ILO Board of the Centre in November 2019; online at: https://www.itcilo.org/sites/default/files/inline-files/Final%20Evaluation%20Report%20ITCILO%20Migration%20Activities%202017-18%20GMPA%20CLEAR%205Aug19_1.pdf</p> |
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The exercise thoroughly evaluated the ITC-ILO migration activities according to six overall combinant criteria with indicators and measurement adapted from OECD-DAC and ILO evaluation approaches: 1) Relevance; 2) Validity and Coherence of Design; 3) Effectiveness (overall); 4) Impact and Susatainability; 5) Efficiency; 6) Effectiveness of Management, Visibility and Monitoring arrangements. The evaluation also addressed cross-cutting policy drivers of the Centre: 1) innovation and learning; 2) gender equality and diversity; and 3) tripartism, social dialogue and international labour standards.

The evaluation entailed nearly full-time work over four months in 2019. The activity included:

- study and analysis of extensive documentation on all the training activities conducted over the period, both in Turin and in locations in Africa, the Middle East and Latin America (programme documents, activity descriptions, agendas, participant lists, presentation materials, participant evaluations, etc);
- co-designing with the ITC evaluation office an online survey sent to the 500 participants in the trainings over the previous 2 years (108 responses –21%-- a good response rate by industry standards);
- 32 in-depth interviews (most 60-90 minutes each): in-person assessment meetings with ILO-ITC executives in Turin and ILO and IOM officials in Geneva and virtual focus group and individual meetings with concerned government, employer organisation and trade union officials worldwide.
- two in-depth case study examinations of ITC training and learning activities in participants' organizations and contexts: *trade unions* and *Ethiopia*;
- careful evaluative analysis of data and findings using our hybrid OECD-DAC and ILO criteria, indicators and assessment approach; and
- preparation and revisions of the report and recommendations.

2019 GMPA feature activity

Participation in the international migration museums conference *Experiencing the Museum: People with Migrant Backgrounds, Moscow*

The conference *Experiencing the Museum: People with Migrant Backgrounds* took place over three days 5-7 December, 2019 at the **Garage Museum of Contemporary Art**, Moscow's premier modern art museum, with participation by migration museum curators and other professionals in spheres of museums, migration, and culture from Australia, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Russia, and the UK among other countries, also the European Union and UNHCR-United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees office. (Of particular note, a global Migration Museums Network was established in 2019. See <https://www.sitesofconscience.org/en/migration-museums-network/>.)

Participants discussed issues and trends in the fields of international migration and forced migration; specifics of interaction between cultural institutions and people with migrant experiences; and education and work with young people including migrant and refugee youth.

See Original conference announcement and program at: <https://garagemca.org/en/event/conference-experiencing-the-museum-people-with-migrant-backgrounds>

Brief report on the conference in EU Delegation news at: <https://eeas.europa.eu/delegations/russia/71916/conference-experiencing-museum-people-migrant-backgrounds>

Thematic Article (in Russian) related to the Conference and the Atelier of Artists in Exile: <https://www.colta.ru/articles/mosty/23229-zhyudit-depol-o-zaschite-hudozhnika-v-emigratsii>

Patrick Taran, GMPA President, was invited to present a global context overview of international migration as a *stage setter* for conference deliberations.

See full text *The Global Migration Context for 'Experiencing the Museum: People with Migrant Backgrounds'*, at: <http://www.globalmigrationpolicy.org/articles/integration/Migration%20%20Museums%20Global%20Migration%20Context%20TARAN%202019.pdf>



Photo: Garage Museum of Contemporary Art / Anton Donikov

“Museums have immense potential and key responsibilities to serve as educational, mediating and policy influencing agencies. Museums provide the space and place to document and demonstrate the dignity and humanity of all persons concerned, as well as their cultural heritage. They can show –and explain– the contributions of migrants and migration to the development of human culture, its many socio-cultural, ethnic, religious and linguistic identities, and the vast richness of cultural expression across that diversity. They can serve as places to enhance the understanding of host populations about their own histories of migration. Museums can offer migrants and immigrants access to the host society identity, history and contemporary life as well as providing a meeting and mediating point between both.

Museums also have opportunities and roles to play in safeguarding cultural heritage and reclaiming peoples' histories, individually and collectively. An important role adopted by a number of museums is providing space and place for people expelled and exiled from their native lands to restore and maintain their cultural heritage. This is an especially important responsibility as many indigenous and minority cultures and languages are threatened with disappearance, indeed extinction, around the world. Safeguarding heritage is recognized as so important as to merit an international Convention, the UNESCO Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (2003).

Museums have an especially important role to play in changing the narrative towards a respectful, inclusive understanding of migrants and migration, away from the dominant criminalising and dismissive imagery reinforced by official discourse and policy as well as media coverage and imagery. More than academics or a seriously constrained civil society, museums and other cultural institutions have the place and space to do the research, bring together artists, art and thinkers and collect and create the cultural manifestations to establish a fuller historical and contemporary understanding of migration and migrants. Cultural institutions have by definition tangible and intangible art and artefacts, the visual images, music, dance, photography, plastic arts, and so on to make real and tell the stories of what human mobility and migration is and means for country and society –and for migrant and refugee peoples and communities”.

Drawn from: *The Global Migration Context for 'Experiencing the Museum: People with Migrant Backgrounds'* by Patrick A.Taran.

2019 Feature Activity

ITC-ILO Training course *Enhancing the protection of low-skilled migrant workers*

Patrick Taran, GMPA President with Vincent Williams of South Africa were the lead trainers at the training course *Enhancing the protection of low-skilled migrant workers* held by the International Training Center of the ILO (ITCILO) **26-29 March 2019** in Turin, Italy at the ITC campus. Training participants were senior government officials from the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, the Attorney General's office, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Consular Officers from Ethiopian missions in several Middle East and Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries, senior officials of the Ethiopia Employers Federation and from the national Federation of Trade Unions. The full agenda shown below provides an overview of the comprehensive and participatory content of the training course.

| | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| 9:00 10:30 | <p>Module 1 <i>Enhancing protection of migrant workers and access to decent work.</i></p> <p>Protection of migrant workers, decent work and governance of migration</p> <p>Miriam Boudraa Patrick Taran Vincent Williams</p> | <p>Module 2 <i>Promoting Decent Work Preventing abusive and exploitative labour migration practices:</i></p> <p>Setting the scene: challenges and responsibilities for countries of employment and origin countries.</p> <p>Patrick Taran</p> | <p>Module 3 : <i>Coordination, cooperation and Coherence In the governance of labour migration:</i></p> <p>What does it mean? 3C into Practice</p> <p>Vincent Williams</p> | <p>Module 4 : <i>Roles and activities of Consular Missions in protection and decent work for migrant workers.</i></p> <p>What can diplomatic and consular missions do?</p> <p>Patrick Taran</p> |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | | | | |
| 11:00 – 12:30 | <p>Module 1 <i>Enhancing protection</i></p> <p>The normative and policy framework for protection of migrant workers, decent work, and migration and development.</p> <p>Patrick Taran</p> | <p>Module 2 <i>Promoting Decent Work</i></p> <p>Establishing Fair Recruitment and Employment Practices</p> <p>Miriam Boudraa</p> | <p>Module 3 : Coordination, Cooperation and Coherence</p> <p>Engaging with diaspora, social partners and local actors</p> <p>Patrick Taran Vincent Williams</p> | <p>Module 5 : <i>The role of consulate missions</i></p> <p>Problem Analysis and Problem Solving Techniques Identifying causes and consequences</p> <p>Vincent Williams</p> |
| 12:30 – 13:30 | | | | |
| 14.00 – 15:30 | <p>Module 1 <i>Enhancing protection of migrant workers:</i></p> <p>Providing access to Social Protection</p> <p>Clara Van Panhuys</p> | <p>Module 2 <i>Promoting decent work</i></p> <p>Access to Complain Mechanism and Justice</p> <p>Patrick Taran</p> | <p>Local Study Visit : meeting local actors working with migrants in Turin to enhance their protection and participation</p> | <p>Module 5 : <i>The role of consulate missions</i></p> <p>Approaches to conflict resolution and management – Attributes of an effective conflict manager</p> <p>Vincent Williams</p> |
| 15:30 – 16:00 | | | | |
| 16.00- 17.00 | <p>Module 1 <i>Enhancing protection</i></p> <p>Equality of treatment, anti-discrimination, social participation</p> <p>Vincent Williams & Patrick Taran</p> | <p>Module 2 <i>Promoting decent work _</i></p> <p>The role of Labour Inspection:</p> <p>Fernando Fonseca</p> | <p>Local Study Visit: meeting local actors working with migrants in Turin to enhance their protection and participation</p> | <p>How could Ethiopian Consular missions contribute more effectively to governance of labour migration and the protection of migrant workers in destination countries?</p> <p>Peer to Peer Exercise Closing</p> |

GMPA OPERATIONAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY 2019

Governance

Main activity included:

1. Regular meetings of officers (Piyasiri Wickramasekara resided in Geneva part of year).
2. Review, monitoring and supervising GMPA activity for 2019
3. Projecting activity and exploring project options for 2020
4. Approval/preparation of proposal for IGAD BLA project with ILO
5. Drafted financial and activity reports for 2018

Secretariat

1. Provided support and assisted in arrangements, materials and logistics for member activities.
2. Provided research and other support to main research activities.
3. Updated regularly the contact database.
4. Maintained administrative activity and intern/research associate staff support.

Staff

All staff worked on a non-remunerative basis, either under formal Research Associate internship agreements or as 'pro-bono' executive staff. Research Associate interns worked primarily on mutually agreed research activity.

1. **Patrick Taran** provided executive functions *ad interim*. (Reduced activity February to May)
2. **Olga Kadysheva** provided professional support on both research and administrative work (on maternity leave February to June)
3. Research Associate interns over the course of the year participated in research activity, international seminars and events, and developing documentation and data-bases:
 - **Addie Cusick**, Smith College, USA -Semester abroad in Geneva (January-May)
 - **Katya Garcia-Israel** and **Jaycee Greeley**, Smith College, USA -Semester abroad in Geneva (June-July)
 - **Tara Thomas** (GMPA Research Associate in 2018) provided research assistance with MIND project in May-July.
 - **Marubini Muswede**, Smith College, USA -Semester abroad in Geneva (September to December).

Communications and advocacy

1. Almost daily postings on GMPA **Facebook**, regular postings on **Twitter**
2. Expanded and corrected **contact data base** to nearly 7,000 entries at end 2019.
3. Regular mailings to about 400 core contacts.

Official & Diplomatic Affairs

- Prepared and submitted a quadrennial report on GMPA activity and products relevant to the UN and its agencies and activities, for the UN Economic and Social Council -ECOSOC, as required to update and maintain GMPA accreditation as NGO in Consultative Status to ECOSOC.

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