

MIEUX IMPACT EVENT

15 years of partnerships and peer exchange on migration governance

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Since its inception in 2009, the **Migration EU eXpertise (MIEUX) Initiative** has served as an invaluable and inclusive platform for requesting capacity development activities and EU expertise, fostering the exchange of knowledge and practices among peers in all areas of migration management and governance.

Operating across **Africa, Asia, Latin America** and **the Caribbean**, and the **EU Neighbourhood**, MIEUX has implemented 138 Actions in more than 100 countries. This has involved the support of 48 EU MS Focal Points to deploy 465 experts and reached over 15,000 participants.

Over the past 15 years, MIEUX has played a pivotal role in **building bridges between the EU and partner countries** by deepening the understanding of migration. It has brought together diverse stakeholders to formulate national and regional migration goals, supported the establishment of institutional cooperation frameworks, and empowered partners with tailor-made practices, solutions and policies.

The **one-day closing event** will bring together partners, experts and migration practitioners to recognise and celebrate the dynamic and impactful achievements of peer-to-peer exchange within the ever-evolving MIEUX Initiative, showcasing its impact.

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AGENDA

9:00 - 9:30

Registration

9:30 - 10:00

Welcome and opening ceremony

- Ms. **Erica Gerretsen**, Director for “Human Development, Migration, Governance and Peace”, Directorate-General for International Partnerships (DG INTPA), European Commission
- Mr. **Ralph Genetzke**, Director, ICMPD Brussels Mission

10:00 - 10:10

MIEUX in a nutshell: key features, milestones and relevance

- Ms. **Adriana Detrell Mandado**, MIEUX Knowledge Management Officer, ICMPD
- Ms. **Anna Melenchuk**, MIEUX Project Officer and Regional Focal Point EU Neighbourhood, ICMPD

10:10 - 10:30

Lightning talk

- Mr. **Oleg Chirita**, Head of Programme, Global Initiatives, ICMPD

10:30 - 11:00

Coffee break



11:00 - 11:20

Testimonial from a MIEUX expert

- Ms. **Gloria Rendón Toro**, Consultant and former Head of the Care Service for Immigrants, Emigrants and Refugees of the City of Barcelona

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11:20 - 12:30

Mobilising public sector expertise in global migration governance

This panel will debate the relevance of sharing practices and expertise for the mutual benefit of individuals and public institutions.

- Ms. **Carmem Barros Furtado**, President, High Authority for Immigration of Cabo Verde
- Mr. **Pietro Vulpiani**, Senior Resettlement Officer, National Office Against Racial Discrimination, Ministry of Interior of Italy
- Moderated by Ms. **Laura Zorrilla Fernandez**, Knowledge Management and Communications Specialist, ICMPD

12:30 - 14:00

Lunch and Exhibition “MIEUX impact over the years”

Displays about MIEUX’s projects in Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa, the European Neighbourhood, Latin America and the Caribbean, as well as digital knowledge products, are available to view and interact with during the lunch break.

14:00 - 14:30

MIEUX in action in Latin America and the Caribbean

- Mr. **Gustavo Corella Cordero**, International Cooperation Manager, General Directorate of Migration and Immigration of Costa Rica
- Ms. **Liliana Paniagua**, Executive Director, Redes Chaco
- Moderated by Ms. **Léa Monteillet**, MIEUX Project Officer and Regional Focal Point Latin America and the Caribbean, ICMPD

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14:30 - 15:30

Moving beyond technical assistance

Three representatives from partner countries discuss about enhancing the institutional capacities of migration authorities at the regional, national and local levels and how it contributes to long-lasting impact.

- Mr. **George Tabatadze**, Director of Consular Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia
- Ms. **Kudzanai Nyagweta**, Senior Legal Officer, Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)
- Mr. **Ulan Nogoibaev**, Head of the Secretariat, Migration and Human Trafficking Council under the Speaker of the Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic
- Moderated by Ms. **Megan Pilli**, Capacity Development Specialist, ICMPD

15:30 - 16:00

Coffee break



16:00 - 17:15

The evolution of MIEUX capacity development approach and the role of training institutes

In this panel, three representatives from partner countries present the role of training institutions as essential partners to sustain results of knowledge exchange programmes.

- Mr. **Christian Andersson**, Human Resources Specialist, Swedish Migration Agency
- Ms. **Dulce Anel Díaz Tapia**, Capacity Development Expert and former Training Director at the National Institute of Migration, and Director of Interinstitutional Liaison at the Police Training and Development Academy of Puebla in Mexico
- Ms. **Josephine Akello**, Principal Immigration Officer, Immigration Training Academy, Directorate of Citizenship and Immigration Control of Uganda
- Moderated by Mr. **Alfred Woeger**, Senior Project Manager, ICMPD

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17:15 - 17:30

Closing ceremony

- Mr. **Francesco Luciani**, Head of Unit for Migration and Forced Displacement, Directorate-General for International Partnerships (DG INTPA), European Commission
- Mr. **Lukas Gehrke**, Deputy Director General, and Director of Policy, Research and Strategy, ICMPD

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