



#### **GFMD Youth Forum 2021 Outcome Documents**

<u>Thematic RT 6:</u> Fostering Partnerships to Realise Migration-Related Goals in the Sustainable Development Agenda and Managing the Future of Human Mobility

Priority 1: Structural Socio-economic Protection of Migrants through geographical and sectoral level partnerships

#### Initiative: Emergency Work Permit Issuance to Myanmar workers

#### **Description:**

 Thailand defined a permission for undocumented migrant workers from Cambodia, Laos and Myanmar to work in the country legally for about two years to curb the spread of COVID-19.

#### Location:

Thailand

#### Leadership:

• Thai Government and Civil Society Organizations

#### **Opportunity:**

- Implementing the Work Permit Issuance on the US-Mexico border will provide access to health services and ease taxation as well as "keep track" of the migrants on the border.
- Avoid stigmatization of migrant workers and expand access to health services and ease taxation.

#### Stakeholder type:

US Government and Civil Society Organizations

#### **Request for next steps:**

Replicate this type of initiative

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#### Initiative: FONDAZIONI4AFRICA

#### **Description:**

 An initiative where four foundations of banking, originally from Italy have partnered in other to replicate joint projects. The project consists of two interventions in Northern Uganda and in Senegal, which include supporting the return of IDPs from the camps to the villages and promoting local sustainability and peace in the affected districts.

#### Location:

• Italy, Uganda and Senegal

#### Leadership:

Four organizations

#### **Opportunity:**

Community consultation and involvement of migrants voices

### Stakeholder type:

• Grassroots organizations

#### Request for next steps:

 Define joint projects which amplify migrant voices and conduct effective community consultation.

#### **Initiative: Community Sponsorship Program**

#### **Description:**

A unique partnership between Government, UNHCR, Red Cross, NGOs and individuals, to welcome and support migrants with refugee status to Ireland. This allows local communities to welcome refugees to their area, and take the lead on social, housing and economic support.





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#### Location:

Ireland

#### Leadership:

Government, International Organizations, NGOs and Local Communities

#### **Opportunity:**

 Partnering with the private sector, specifically media outlets, to ensure better representation of migrant voices and opinions.

#### Stakeholder type:

Private Sector: Media Outlets

#### Request for next steps:

 Mainstream the needs and priorities of the migrant communities in national response mechanisms and frameworks for future scenarios (irrespective of medical epidemics or natural disasters).

# Priority 2: Resources to support meaningful, dynamic, and equitable partnerships and policy coherence at local, regional, and global levels

#### Initiative: The "Not Alone in Europe" project

#### **Description:**

A Regional CSO partnership funded by Erasmus+, which arises with the main task of giving broad and specialized training on the LGBTQI+ paradigms to people who develop their work in contact with young LGBTQI+ migrants, refugees and asylum seekers.

#### Location:

Sweden, Greece, Serbia, Spain, Estonia, Italy

#### Leadership:

Civil Society Organizations

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#### **Opportunity:**

Partner with grassroots organizations and involve migrants

#### Stakeholder type:

• Civil Society Organizations and Local Authorities (Ecuador)

#### **Request for next steps:**

- Cultural changes of practices of donor organizations to include migrants
- Creating space in decision-making and MEL systems to work towards effective resource allocation. Visibility between grassroots organisations and initiatives to avoid duplicated efforts, scaling of these rather than duplicating

#### **Initiative: Unified with Refugees**

#### **Description:**

This initiative aims to Bring together youth with and without disabilities from both migrant groups and Hosting communities to develop skills and build inclusive communities through the power of sport. Special Olympics Unified Sports has become a pathway to community and acceptance. Through Unified with Refugees, Special Olympics athletes with intellectual disabilities become ambassadors of inclusion, not only for those with disabilities but other groups on the margins. Refugee and migrant youth without ID are also able to join and experience the power of inclusion through sport and find an accepting place of belonging in their new communities

#### Location:

 Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Cyprus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Malta, Belgium, The Netherlands, Italy, Thailand

#### Leadership:

 UNHCR, International service organisations and as well as international development agencies, corporate sponsors and private philanthropy.

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#### **Opportunity:**

Special Olympics understands the urgency of moving migration from the margins to the
center of the global dialogue. With that, we have ambitious plans to replicate and build on
our current success. Over the next 5 years, we plan to expand to reach many families
other refugee and migrant youth with and without disabilities and by training Unified
Sports coaches who can help teach and foster inclusion in other countries.

#### Stakeholder type:

 More International service organisations, International development agencies, corporate sponsors

#### Request for next steps:

• Empowering and giving the possibility to refugees and migrant youth to amplify their voices and raise awareness in behave of refugees with intellectual disabilities facing double challenges out there with the power of sport, and Get more refugee and migrant youth with and without ID involved and let them gain roles to play and participate actively in decision taking in order to shape the narrative of migration.

## **Initiative: Mercy International**

#### Location:

USA / other

### Stakeholder type:

Civil Society / Grassroots Organisations

#### Request for next steps:

 Advocacy and lobbying to donor and influential parties to policymakers etc to ensure representative voices are included, and to make funding and support etc more accessible to migrant-led and grassroots projects and responses