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bilateral cooperation in migration management

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MIGRATION ISSUES - ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES

April 12 & 13, Washington, D.C.

Workshop Objectives:

To promote horizontal cooperation amongst Member States with regard to migration management by providing a space to share experiences in bilateral cooperation in order to learn about the knowledge transfer process, its difficulties and its strengths; as well as different strategies, programs and actions implemented by the Governments of the region.

Description:

The workshop will take place over two days and will be composed of four panels with presenters representing various countries and institutions and will discuss their perspectives and experiences in the following topics:

- I. Migration Management;
- II. Policies and Programs in Immigrant Integration;
- III. Attention to Communities Living Abroad;
- IV. Migrant Protection.

Date and Location:

Tuesday, April 12, 2011, 9:00 – 17:00
Simon Bolivar Room*
17th Street and Constitution Ave. NW,
Washington D.C. 20006

Wednesday April 13, 2011, 9:30 – 13:30
Padilla Vidal Room*
1889 F St NW, Washington D.C.

*Please take note that the Workshop will take place in a different site each day.

This workshop is open to the public. To register please send the attached registration form to migration@oas.org, by noon on April 11, 2011 in order to ensure you receive a certificate of participation.

If you are unable to attend the workshop, it will be broadcast live on the OAS webcast system.



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9:00 - 10:00	Registration
10:00 - 10:30	Opening Remarks
Panelists	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ambassador Bernardino Hugo Saguier Chair, Special Committee on Migration Issues Permanent Representative of Paraguay to the OAS• Albert R. Ramdin Assistant Secretary General, Organization of American States
10:30 - 12:30	Panel I: Migration Management
Description	Migration management refers to the programs and actions taken by governments to respond to the dynamics of human mobility. These actions take the form of public policies, legislation, regulations, and projects directed at regulating human movement across countries. This panel invites the Member States to present experiences related to the formulation of public policies, and the strengthening of institutional and human capacities with regard to: incorporating gender and minority perspectives; border control; migration statistics; temporary employment programs and recruitment; etc.
Panelists	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Michele Klein Solomon Permanent Observer of the International Organization for Migration to the United Nations• Mario Zamora Cordero Deputy Minister of the Interior and the Police, Costa Rica• Lic. Jairo Damas Head of the Migrant Workers Section Ministry of Labour and Social Services, El Salvador (via videoconference)• Oscar Padilla Lam Consul General de Guatemala en Nueva York Representante de SICA• Dario Roldan Agricultores Solidarios (via videoconference)
12:30 - 14:00	LUNCH



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14:00 - 15:30	Panel II: Services for Migrant Communities: Policies and Programs in Immigrant Integration
Description	Services aimed at migrant communities have become public policy priorities. In destination countries, these programs are aimed at facilitating economic, social and cultural integration. Countries that receive immigrants promote integration through educational, social, cultural and naturalization policies. This panel invites the Member States to demonstrate their experiences in the implementation and institutionalization of the programs and projects related to these services for migrant communities.
Panelists	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ambassador Pierre Henri-Guignard Permanent Observer of France to the OAS• Camille Papanek Manager of Horizontal Policy Development and Coordination Citizenship and Immigration Canada• Roberta Chaves Oliveira Head of the Nationality and Naturalization Division Department of Foreigners, Ministry of Justice, Brazil• Juan Carlos Orillac Advisor, <i>Departamento Superior</i>, Panama
15:30 - 15:45	BREAK
15:30 - 17:00	Panel III: Attention to Communities Living Abroad
Description	In countries of origin, the goal is to attend to the needs of citizens abroad and to recognize and efficiently channel the contributions that migrants make to their countries and communities of origin. Countries of origin have created programs and services to attend to their nationals living abroad, as well as, to foster a connection of these emigrants with their country of origin. This panel invites the Member States to demonstrate their experiences in the implementation and institutionalization of the programs and projects related to these services for migrant communities.
Panelists	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Edwin Paraison Minister, Ministry of Haitians Living Abroad, Haiti• Francisco Melo Advisor, <i>Colombia Nos Une</i>, Colombia• Lic. Itzel Ortiz Zaragoza Coordinator, National Paisano Program <i>Instituto Nacional de Migración</i>, México• Oscar Padilla Lam, Consul General of Guatemala in New York*• Kendall Belisle, Alternate Representative Permanent Mission of Belize to the OAS



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9:30 - 10:00	Registration
10:00 - 12:00	Panel V: Migrant Protection Services
Description	Services aimed at migrant communities have become public policy priorities. In destination countries, these programs are aimed at facilitating economic, social and cultural integration. Countries that receive immigrants promote integration through educational, social, cultural and naturalization policies. This panel invites the Member States to demonstrate their experiences in the implementation and institutionalization of the programs and projects related to these services for migrant communities.
Panelists:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Juan Carlos Murillo Legal Advisor, United Nations High Commission for Refugees• Mstro. Oliver Bush Espinoza Director of International Relations <i>Instituto Nacional de Migración, México</i>• Pedro Valenzuela Counselor, Alternative Representative Permanent mission of Uruguay to the OAS• Oscar Padilla Lam Consul General of Guatemala in New York• Fernando Garcia Specialist, Department of Public Security, OAS (TBC)
12:00 - 13:30	Conclusions, Recommendations and Closing Remarks