

RESEARCH PROJECT ON MECHANISMS THAT FACILITATE LABOUR MIGRATION



MESOAMERICA-THE CARIBBEAN

IMPORTANCE OF THE STUDY

This study aims to address the lack of information on the mechanisms - that is, bilateral or multilateral agreements, memoranda of understanding, temporary work schemes, among others - that exist in Mesoamerica and the Caribbean to facilitate labor migration, as well as their status of implementation and its uses.

Generating centralized data on these mechanisms is of utmost importance to promote management of labor migration that maximizes its benefits to both the government and private sectors, informing the development of effective labor policies; as well as for migrants, providing access to information that allows them to take advantage of employment opportunities abroad, in a safe and regular manner.

Currently there is no centralized information on the mechanisms that people use for regular labor migration, their implementation and uses, or their monitoring and evaluation systems.

OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE OF THE STUDY



Identifying current bilateral and multilateral agreements and other mechanisms that facilitate labour migration for people from the Caribbean



Collecting data on the use and number of beneficiaries of each mechanism



Analyzing implementation, follow-up and evaluation systems

IMPLEMENTATION COUNTRIES

The Caribbean:

- ▶ Antigua and Barbuda
- ▶ Bahamas
- ▶ Barbados
- ▶ Belize
- ▶ Dominica
- ▶ Dominican Republic
- ▶ Grenada
- ▶ Haiti
- ▶ Jamaica
- ▶ Saint Lucia
- ▶ Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
- ▶ Saint Kitts and Nevis
- ▶ Surinam
- ▶ Trinidad and Tobago

Mesoamerica:

- ▶ Costa Rica
- ▶ El Salvador
- ▶ Guatemala
- ▶ Honduras
- ▶ Mexico
- ▶ Panama

KEY INFORMANTS



Public sector



Other UN Agencies



Private sector



Academia

ABOUT US

IOM is the leading inter-governmental organization in the field of migration and works closely with governmental, intergovernmental and non-governmental partners.

With 173 member states, a further 8 states holding observer status and offices in over 100 countries, IOM is dedicated to promoting humane and orderly migration for the benefit of all.

It does so by providing services and advice to governments and migrants. In Central America and the Caribbean, IOM implements The Regional Program on Migration Mesoamerica and The Caribbean. Among other objectives, this Program aims at supporting governments and private sector to improve data collection on labor migration to improve skills and labour market needs matching, and strengthen partnership mechanisms on labour-mobility schemes.

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