



JOINING FORCES FOR AFRICAN-EUROPEAN CIVIL SOCIETY ENGAGEMENT ON MIGRATION

The Global Forum for Migration and Development (GFMD) for the period of 2023-2024 was confirmed last year under a co-chairmanship of France and Senegal. It indicates momentum to address more intensively migration between Africa and Europe.

As the Association of German Development and Humanitarian Aid Non-Governmental Organisations (VENRO e.V.), we would like to use this political framework to strengthen discussions between European and African networks on migration policy issues. Civil society organisations in Africa and Europe form an important bridge to the political processes on the level of the United Nations (UN) and the life situation of migrants and their families. Therefore, we can bring innovative insights on the common challenges of our two continents to the discussions based on the realities of life.

Together with our partner Enda ECOPOP, we are organising a workshop on this set of topics on February 28-March 01, 2023 in Dakar. The following questions will guide us through the two days:

- How to build a human rights-based and resilient migration policy between Africa and Europe? What strategies are needed at the intercontinental level?
- How can civil society actors in Africa and Europe be strengthened to play a more active role in GFMD migration policy-making mechanisms? To what extent is climate change affecting mobility in Sub-Saharan Africa and what are the local responses for adaptation?

WHEN

28 February and 1st March 2023

11:00 am to 5:00 pm CET

10:00 am - 4:00 pm GMT

WHERE

Le Lodge des Almadies

Route des Almadies

14524 Dakar, Senegal

AND

Online, via Zoom

REGISTRATION

Please register  [here](#)

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AGENDA

Tuesday, 28 February 2023

10:00 am	Welcome Coffee
10:30 am	Welcome Remarks Bachir Kanouté , Executive Director, ENDA ECOPOP Anke Kurat , Interim Managing Director, VENRO
10:40 am	Update on the GFMD 2023 Process Colin Rajah , Coordinator, GFMD Civil Society Mechanism
11:00 am	Round Table: <i>Engaging African-European Civil Society's Capacities during the GFMD</i> Ndiro Ndiaye , President, Alliance for Migration, Leadership and Development (AMLD) Fambaye Ndoye , Coordinator, African Trade Union Migration Network (ATUMNET) Alexis Neuberg , President, Africa-Europe Diaspora Development Platform (ADEPT) Paddy Siyanga Knudsen , Vice-President, Global Research Forum on Diaspora and Transnationalism (GRFDT) Reflections: Badara Ndiaye , President, MIGRAFRIQUE
12:30 am	Lunch Break
1:30 pm	Work in Small Groups: Recommendations for the next months of the GFMD Process
3:00 pm	Coffee Break
3:30 pm	Presentation of Recommendations by Group Facilitators The Way Forward in the GFMD Process
4:00 pm	End of Event
6:30 pm	Dinner

Facilitation: Andressa Barp Seufert (VENRO) and Sidibé Mahawa Haïdara (ONG HOPE)

**Wednesday, 1 March 2023****Workshop: Climate Change and Migration: Building Resilience in Sub-Saharan Africa**

- 10:00 am **Welcome and Introduction**
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- 10:05 am **Keynote**
Climate Change Effects on Human Mobility - Consequences for West Africa
Dr Serigne Mansour Tall, Researcher at the University Amadou Mahtar Mbow of Dakar (UAM)
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- 10:15 am **Inputs and Q&A**
Climate Induced Migration: Local Responses to Improve Living Conditions
David Adong, Humanitarian Emergency Coordinator, Caritas Uganda
Abdoulaye Cisse, Deputy Executive Director, ENDA ECOPOP
Sidibé Mahawa Haïdara, Vice-President, ONG HOPE
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- 11:00 am **Coffee Break**
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- 11:15 am **Open Discussion**
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- 12:00 pm **Reflection and Outlook**
Richard Obedi, Executive Director, The Populace Foundation International (TPFI)
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- 12:15 pm **End of Event**
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- 12:30 pm **Lunch**

Facilitation: Dr Mamadou Goïta, Chair of the Pan African Network in Defense of Migrants Rights (PANiDMR)