

Supporting cities and regions to better manage migration

Migration challenges at local level

With more than 244 million people on the move, global migration flows reached a new dimension in 2015. As migration is about people, practical solutions are necessary at local level, where concrete issues ranging from asylum and integration policies to labour migration, anti-trafficking, housing and health issues need to be tackled.

There are numerous support programmes set up to assist partner countries, increasing the demand for concerted and complementary action. However, mechanisms to quickly mobilise and exchange experiences and good practices on how to manage migration at local level are still scarce.

Peer-to-peer exchange between migration experts

This is where the EU-funded initiative “Migration EU eXpertise” (MIEUX) comes in, providing short-term, tailor-made assistance by deploying migration practitioners to developing countries around the world.

With a new focus on managing migration at local level, MIEUX brings in seven years of experience in offering rapid, hands-on expertise on any subject related to migration.

MIEUX mobilises mixed teams of migration practitioners to share knowledge and experiences with their peers in MIEUX partner countries.

MIEUX offers a broad menu of activities which are conceived with the cooperation partner from a developing country and targeted to priority needs.

“The peer-to-peer transfer of skills, expertise and know-how among government officials is a very effective approach.”

Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA)

MIEUX’s offer for actors at local level

- › **Information, practices and know-how sharing:** training sessions, exchange of lessons learnt with local authorities
- › **Advisory:** elaboration/evaluation of local policies and strategies, development of manuals and handbooks
- › **Partnerships:** study visits to EU Member States, regional events, partnerships between the local authorities of the EU MS and partner countries
- › **Networking:** support by an international network of migration experts and practitioners working at national, regional and local levels

Some examples of our work

- › **Philippines:** supporting local government units in developing an awareness-raising campaign to better prevent illegal recruitment of migrant workers and human trafficking
- › **Peru:** monitoring and evaluation of local anti-trafficking action plans via the development of a handbook
- › **Cabo Verde:** involvement of local authorities in developing the national immigration strategy in line with their needs and priorities
- › **Tajikistan:** training for local policemen in investigation techniques to combat the trafficking of human beings

Interested in working with us?

Submit your request, outlining your needs, or apply to contribute as a migration expert!

Requests for assistance can be submitted by single and multiple local authorities, or jointly with central government.