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The East African Community Regional Consultative Process (RCP) on Migration



The East African Community (EAC) Conference to establish Regional Consultative Process (RCP) on Migration was held in Kigali, Rwanda on14th – 16th February 2022.

The main objective of the conference was to consider and discuss the proposal for the establishment of the Regional Consultative Process on Migration for the EAC as a platform for regional information-sharing and policy dialogue dedicated to discuss specific migration issues in a cooperative manner among EAC Partner States.

Among the key issues discussed included; immigration, Labour and Employment. Under the immigration subsector, emphasis was put on regional co-operation on movement of people and of goods and services in the region, in terms of easing of immigration formalities, controls and facilitation of the cross-border movement. Co-operation in this area also emphasized on: introduction of standard travel documents and inter-state travel passes, and reciprocal opening of border posts.

On the other hand, under the labour and employment subsector, the meeting focused on the initiatives to foster co-operation in the pursuit of common employment policies; creating a conducive environment for investment and development of the private sector; sharing labour market information, training (with emphasis on vocational training), facilitating labour mobility, harmonization of labour legislation and fair labour practices were highlighted

The ministers directed EAC secretariat to enhance the concept paper for the pstablishment of the RCP and the draft operational modalities/ Terms of Reference and submit the same to Partner States for inputs.

The meeting was attended by the partner states' Ministers in charge EAC Affairs; Interior / Home Affairs; Labour and Directorates of Immigration from EAC Partner States, the EAC Secretariat, International Organization for Migration (IOM) and representatives of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) as well as the National Employment Authority (NEA) among others

Enhancing Capacity on Labour Migration Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing



NEA was represented at the meeting to promote labour and human development held in Entebe -Uganda between 10th-11th February 2022.

The objective of the meeting was to strengthen the availability and quality of labour migration data in the region to inform evidence-based and gender-sensitive policies and dialogues around labour migration governance as well as enhance economic and sustainable development of the Eastern Horn of Africa (EHOA) region.

Lack of accurate and timely data on Safe Labour Migration is one of the major contributor to unethical recruitment practices. The implementation of this project therefore, would go a long way in enhancing the availability of new information and tools to build migrant wokers' capacity and coordination in gender-sensitive data collection and analysis on labour migration.

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"To formulate and implement employment policies and programmes for creation of sustainable employment for all Kenyans"

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