



Workshop on Migration in Central America Governance and Links to Labour Markets

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Draft Agenda

Introduction	
09:00-09:45	<p>Introduction and opening remarks</p> <p>Francisco Rojas Aravena, Secretary-General, Flacso</p> <p>Jeff Dayton-Johnson, Senior Economist, Head of the Latin America and Caribbean Desk OECD Development Centre</p>
09:45-10:30	<p>Lead into the workshop</p> <p>Abla Safir, Economist, Poverty Reduction and Social Development Unit, OECD Development Centre</p> <p>Jason Gagnon, Research Associate, Poverty Reduction and Social Development Unit, OECD Development Centre</p>
10:30 – 10:45	Coffee break
Session I: Governance of Migration in Central America	
10:45-12:45	<p>Chair: Alejandro Solorzano, Vice-president, Commission for International Relations – Member of Parliament for the State of Nicaragua in the Central American Parliament (Parlacen)</p> <p>Presentations:</p> <p>Manuel Ángel Castillo García, El Colegio de Mexico <i>Migration Policies and Social Actors in Mexico and Central America</i></p> <p>Susan M. Richter, University of California – Davis and Merced <i>DR-CAFTA and Migration in Central America</i></p> <p>Discussants:</p> <p>Emilio Chavez Herrera, Executive Director, Sin Fronteras</p> <p>Oswald Céspedes Torres, Academia de Centroamérica</p> <p>Questions and Answers</p>
12:45-14:00	Lunch break

Session II: Migration and Labour Markets

14:00-16:00	<p>Chair: Johnny Ruiz Arce, Chief of Labor Migration Unit, Ministry of Labour and Social Security, Costa Rica</p> <p>Presentations:</p> <p>Antonio Spilimbergo, International Monetary Fund <i>Exchange Rates and Wages in an Integrated World</i></p> <p>Amy Damon, MacAlester College <i>International Migration, Remittances, and Labor Market Effects: The Case of El Salvador</i></p> <p>Tim Gindling, University of Maryland <i>South–South Migration: The Impact of Nicaraguan Immigrants on Earnings, Inequality and Poverty in Costa Rica</i></p> <p>Discussants:</p> <p>Abelardo Morales Gamboa, FLACSO</p> <p>Abla Safir, OECD Development Centre</p> <p>Questions and Answers</p>
16:00 – 16:15	Coffee Break

Session III: Policy conclusions

16:15-18:15	<p>Chair: Jeff Dayton-Johnson, Senior Economist, Head of the Latin America and Caribbean Desk, OECD Development Centre</p> <p>Panel Discussion – policies towards making the most of migration</p> <p>Luis Alonso Serrano Echeverría, Chief of Institutional Planning, Department of Migration (DGME), Costa Rica</p> <p>Tonatiuh García Castillo, Coordinator of migratory regulation, National Migration Institute, Mexico</p> <p>Alejandro Solorzano Morales, Vice-president, Commission for International Relations – Member of Parliament for the State of Nicaragua in the Central American Parliament (Parlacen)</p> <p>Antonio Escobedo Sanabria, General Director of Consular and Migration Affairs, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Guatemala - Regional Conference on Migration Pro Tempore Presidency</p> <p>Questions and Answers</p>
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