



Migration and Co-development : What positions for European NGOs?

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Tuesday 24th April: Thematic workshops

1:30 pm - Guests' Welcome

2:00 pm - Thematic workshops

6:00 pm - Summary of the workshops - Conclusions

Wednesday 25th April: Feedback conference - Conclusions and perspectives

2:30 pm - Guests' Welcome

3:00 pm - Workshops Feedback

5:00 pm - Conclusions and closing cocktail

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WORKSHOP 1

Networking processes: multipolarity and connectivity

Context:

Migrants from the same location are often scattered throughout the world and get organised on the national and international scale in multiple associations. They form a transnational community based on a network of social relations aiming at a common mobilisation for development projects, events' set up, intercultural exchanges and a common political speech. For some of networks the link among members is not the native land but rather ethnic, generational, gender or political links (...).

Core issue: Migrants's transnational networks are mobilizing and dealing with knowledge and resources' flows : what role for European NGOs?

Linked questions:

- Which structures and which practices for Diasporas' networks?
- What kind of mobilization for their partners' networks to lead to a collective action?
- Which geographical anchorage for the Diasporas' networks?
- What is the value-added of NGO/Diaspora groups' partnerships?
- What organization of European NGOs to support those networks?

WORKSHOP 2

Civic implication of the Diasporas here and abroad

Context:

The association life is one of the pillars of civic participation in the sense that it contributes to the well being, life and development of the "cité". The migrants' organisations but also individuals get involved in actions for their native land, their hosting land, or both. This collective and civic participation consists of different actions: projects' funding, territory promotion, partnerships' co-operation, contribution to public debates... However the migrants' organisations role and place is unknown to the institutions and other territorial organisations.

Core issue: Migrants are partners or direct development agents of their native land and/or their hosting land: How can NGOs contribute to the acknowledgement of this civic participation?

Underlying questions:

- Which active citizenship for Diasporas here?
- Are Diasporas partners for local development programs in their country of origin?
- Promotion of individual competencies: which social integration for migrants?
- How can we support Diasporas' civic competencies?
- How can we promote Diasporas' intercultural competencies?
- How can we identify and highlight the mutual enrichment linked with migration flows?

WORKSHOP 3

Individual support: Accessing services, action and entrepreneurship

Context:

Migrants invest for the well being of their family stayed back in the country, for housing and sometimes in the creation of start ups. These savings and financial transfers are of high interest for institutions and banks which offer new financial products in order to capt this resource. However little effort is made to facilitate migrants' access to some social and economic services in hosting and native country.

Core issue: Due to their individual capacities of investment, migrants are contributing to development processes: How can the NGOs help along those initiatives?

Underlying questions:

- What conditions needed to promote migrants' conducted projects?
- What is the importance of the migrant's mobility concerning the effectiveness of their projects?
- Which professional practices to promote access to business development services (North/South)?
- Which purpose for migrants' remittances?

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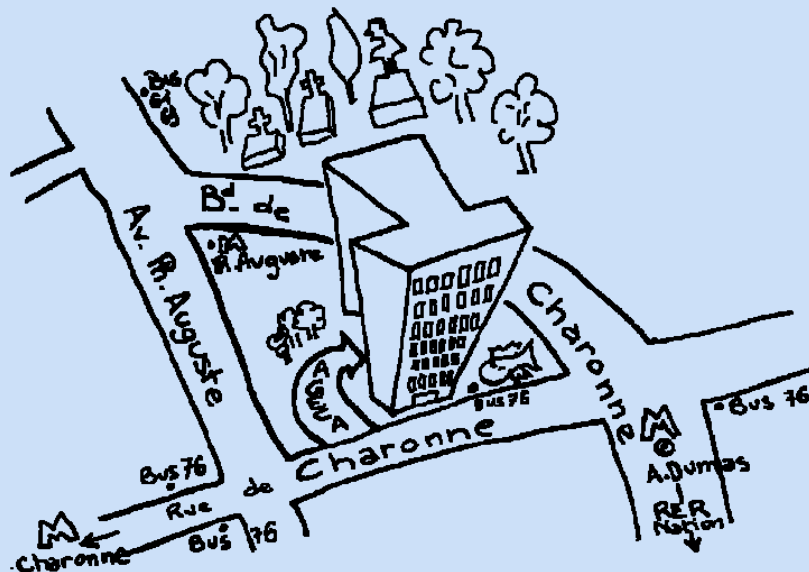
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