African Trade Union Peace and Security Conference

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ATUMNET Migration Agenda

Issues of focus and areas of engagement
Area of focus

- Ratification campaigns – Conventions 97, 143, 182, 189
- National action plan development
- Voice and representation for migrants – freedom of association

**Advocacy**
- Free Movement of persons – rights issues; improving mobility in West Africa
- Africa’s Integration – visa on arrival; skills development and comparability; etc.
- Social protection coverage – social protection portability
- Xenophobia
- Human trafficking and smuggling reduction

- Engagement with and contribution to the UN Global Compact process

- Bilateral Labour Migration Agreements
  - Reforming the “Kafala system”

- Fair recruitment
Organising – providing voice and representation

Capacity building for focal persons and workers

Alliance building/collaboration and Synergies with other CSOs/NSAs and SSOs partners

Advocacy – decent work agenda implementation (Job creation, rights at work, social protection and social dialogue); awareness deepening on how to legally migrate; stance against xenophobia, etc.

Lobby – work with state actors and development partners

Monitoring and Reporting – visit to Agadez; visit to returnee centers and rehabilitation sites (GIZ center, Lagos)

Research – production of African trade union migration passport

Mainstreaming migration

Communication
Possible next steps/follow-up actions for 2018

- Focal persons lead in national trade union/CSOs Migration network formation and operationalisation. At least one national migration platform meeting convened and national action plan decided.

- Migration Advocacy and communication campaign strategy development workshop meeting –

  **Advocacy** campaign deployment on ratification (C. 97, 143, 189 and 112); visa openness and Africa’s integration; skills development and measurability; social protection expansion and portability; – meetings/statements/media exchanges with govts.

- Meeting with Asian, Arab and Latin American ITUC regional organisations to give implementation to the MOU signed by ITUC–Africa/ITUC–Asia–Pacific/ITUC–Middle East–North Africa AND ITUC–TUCA

- UN Global Compact Process meeting in Eastern Africa (Kigali/Dar E Salam), Northern Africa (Tunis/Marrakesh) and Southern Africa (Harare/Lusaka) – lobby to ensure the negotiation stage yield benefits for workers, migrants.

- Research and material development (African trade union migrants’ passport)