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## Migration Research in IOM

### IOM’s role in migration research

1. As desk-based researchers/analysts
2. As managers/partners of research projects
3. As a major publisher of migration research
4. As advisers on specific research projects
5. As members of committees/councils with a direct/indirect interest in research
6. As a strong advocate publicly of migration research

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### Our approach

- Create an internal culture of quality
- Work with the best researchers
- External & internal peer review
- Guidance on research projects for IOM offices in the field
- Attract, retain and develop highly skilled staff

- Grow long-term partnerships
- Draw on strengths of both/all partners
- Value expertise and foster trust
- External and internal collaboration

- Low cost, high impact
- Target limited resources
- Skills not necessarily $$$
- Risk-based approach

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### Quality research & analysis

- Growth in the IOM’s role in migration research
- Quality of research and analysis

### Genuine collaboration

- Collaboration across IOM’s offices and partners
- Mutual respect and trust

### Skillful resourcing

- Effective use of resources
- Efficient project management
- Strategic planning

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Research Publication Highlights

World Migration Report 2018
IOM’s flagship publication with an overview of global and regional trends of migration as well as thematic chapters.

Supporting brighter futures: Young women and girls and labour migration in South-East Asia and the Pacific
Explores and critically examines the existing evidence base on key aspects of the topic.

2016

Migration Research Leaders’ Syndicate
Includes Syndicate Members’ top reads and short technical papers unpacking policy conundrums that pose obstacles to safe, orderly and regular migration.

Migrant Smuggling Data and Research Vol. 1
A review of what is being collected and what can be done to further build the evidence base on migrant smuggling globally.

2017

Migrant Smuggling Data and Research Vol. 2
With recommendations for strengthening research and analysis partnerships, supporting capacity-building and focusing on emerging and priority topics.

2018

World Migration Report 2020

Exploring the links between enhancing regular pathways and discouraging irregular migration
Points to the development of policy options and good practices for States.

2019

2020

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IOM’s flagship publication with an overview of global and regional trends of migration as well as thematic chapters.
The Migration Research Series (MRS):

- Focuses on policy-oriented (and empirical) research and analysis;
- Contributes to a better understanding of the multi-dimensional aspects of migration;
- Aims to inform migration policies at the national, regional and international levels.

All MRS publications are freely available online in the IOM Online Bookstore. Submissions are welcome on any policy-relevant issue related to migration and migrants.

Selected recent MRS papers:

- International migration, internal migration, mobility and urbanization: Towards more integrated approaches, by R. Skeldon
- Without choice? Understanding war-affected Syrian families’ decisions to leave home, by B. Akesson and K. Coupland
- Ziway or Dubai: Can flower farms in Ethiopia reduce migration to the Middle East? by K. Schewel
- Afghan smugglers’ perceptions of themselves and their communities, by M. Mohammadi, R. Nimkar and E. Savage
- Determinants of Internet use among migrants in South-East Asia, by R. Sharma and U. Grote

We invite migration researchers and experts to present their work at IOM Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. Through these seminars, IOM aims to:

- Further learn from migration researchers and experts, including to inform its work;
- Strengthen collaborations between the organization and migration researchers and experts.

Videos of past seminar presentations can be accessed here.
Presentations and collaborations

Presentation of a thematic chapter of the *World Migration Report 2020* on migrants’ contributions

World Economic Forum-IOM Migration Transformation Map

Podcasts and Interviews with leading migration researchers

Plenary presentation on migration and technology at the 2019 International Metropolis Conference

2017 Migration Research Leaders’ Syndicate to inform the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration