

Essentials of Migration Management Newsletter

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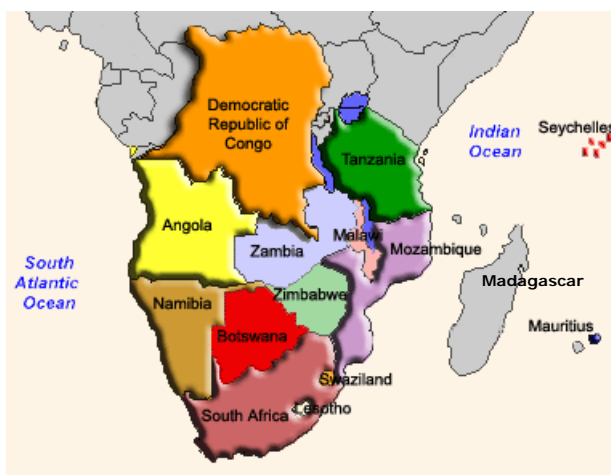


IOM International Organization for Migration

MIDSA Workshop, July 2005

Now in its fifth year, the Steering Committee of the Migration Dialogue for Southern Africa (MIDSA), comprised of IOM and the Southern African Migration Project, convened a 4 day meeting in Centurion, South Africa, on the theme of Developing Capacity to Manage Migration. A primary purpose of the workshop, which was funded by the Government of Switzerland in follow up to the Berne Initiative, was to share new migration management capacity building tools with MIDSA member states and to explore and discuss how these can address the unique migration challenges in the Southern African region.

Participants received copies and explored the use of new resources, including the Berne Initiative's International Agenda for Migration Management, and IOM's new learning tool, The Essentials of Migration Management, an



Map of MIDSA region

encyclopedia and learning curriculum on migration management.

Attendees participated in three separate workshop sessions on the themes of International Migration Law, International Cooperation, and Border Management/ Passports and Visas in which the EMM served as a framework for discussion.

Intersessional Workshop on De- veloping Capacity to Manage Migration, September 27- 28, Geneva.

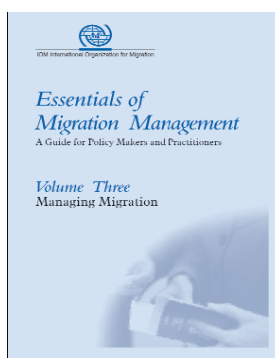
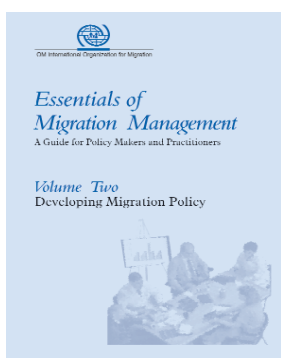
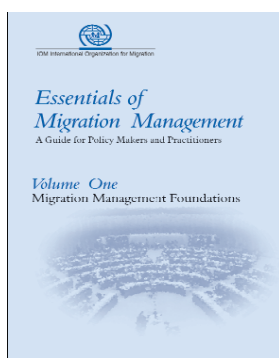
The EMM and the IAMM will be featured at this upcoming workshop for all IOM members and observers sponsored by IOM's International Dialogue on Migration.

What is EMM?

Essentials of Migration Management (EMM) is a learning tool, written in a non-technical manner, which provides an overview of the key elements of international migration management. It is intended to provide an accurate, interactive framework of reference and instruction on contemporary migration dynamics, policies and trends. It aims to expand the knowledge and facilitate the work of government policy makers, practitioners, academics, organizations as well as IOM staff members. The three-volume course manual is a stand-alone tool for independent study.

The Essentials of Migration Management consists of 32 individual migration-related sections, each approximately 20 pages in length. Each topical section of the course manual includes learning objectives, case studies, a guide to applying the subject matter to specific situations, and a list of relevant resource materials. A sample chapter is available on the IOM website at www.iom.int.

"The three volumes of the EMM"



Asia

- **IOM Dhaka** is assisting with the implementation of a training workshop conducted by the University of Dhaka, Bangladesh. The EMM will be used as one of the resource guide for the workshop. This program will be financed by the UK Department for International Development.
- In September, **IOM Tehran** has plans to use 8 sections of the EMM to train Iranian government officials on regular and

irregular migration. Consideration is also being given to translating the EMM into **Farsi** to make it more accessible to policymakers and practitioners. The office is also sharing the EMM with a wide range of audiences in Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Iran.

- In **Bangladesh**, the EMM was introduced at an informal donor's group meeting and at the Bangladesh Migration and

Development Forum. Interest was expressed in translating portions of the EMM into **Bengali**. The three volumes were also used as resources for the Safe Migration Campaign.

- **IOM Bangkok** is exploring with a local University and prominent regional institution the possibility of integrating the EMM into a 2 year degree program and short courses. IOM would share teaching responsibilities.

Europe

- **IOM Tirana** organized a training for 40 officials from the Albanian Ministries in the framework of the Project for Drafting a National Strategy on Migration. A special session was organized on EMM focusing on the section on legislation and irregular migration. The office also held a special gathering with their NGO network to highlight the EMM. Plans are underway to distribute the EMM to all relevant ministries.

- **IOM Vienna** held a training program in July for its staff members to familiarize them with the EMM.

- **IOM Vienna** was invited to take part in the creation and running of a Master's Degree course on "Intercultural Migration and Social Studies" in Austria. The outline of the course module was based on the three pillars of the EMM. The course is foreseen to run in autumn 2006 at the University of Salzburg.

- The **Université Libre de Bruxelles**, Belgium held a training in collaboration with the International Migration Law (IML) department of IOM, focusing on the international law components of the EMM during their summer program.

- The **TCC in Vienna** has received funding to translate the EMM into **Russian** and provide an extensive training program based on the EMM in many of the CIS countries.

Africa

- **IOM Pretoria** (see cover story on MISDA Workshop).
- **IOM Harare** has produced EMM flyers to distribute to all the embassies and UN agencies in Zimbabwe.
- **IOM Dakar** is in the process of organizing a workshop in November 2005 sponsored by Government of Switzerland as part of the Berne Initiative based on the EMM and the IAMM for delegates of ECOWAS and Western African States.



Workshop in Amman, Jordan

Middle East

- In June, **IOM Iraq** in collaboration with **IOM Kuwait** organized a training workshop in Amman focusing on EMM for the staff of IOM Iraq and Jordan. It created great enthusiasm for EMM among the 15 participants.

"By conducting such an exercise it should assist us in determining what we are focused on currently and where we should expand our program development efforts in the future." Michael Stanisich, IOM Iraq.

Americas

- In June, **IOM San Jose** organized a seminar focusing on EMM sponsored by the Governments of Canada and Costa Rica, in the framework of the Regional Conference on Migration/Puebla Process.
- EMM was also discussed in the workshops, seminars and training for Congressmen/Congresswomen and their Advisers, in the framework of the Cooperation Agreement between MRF San

Jose and the "Inter-parliamentary Special Commission on Migration of the Forum of Presidents of Parliaments of Central America and the Caribbean (FOPREL)". The Mexican government has undertaken to translate the EMM into Spanish.

- **IOM New York**, with help from headquarters, is in the process of promoting EMM to the diplomats of various missions and in UN/NY settings.

Training of Trainers

- The second EMM "Training of Trainers" for IOM staff members will be conducted at IOM's Geneva headquarters, November 1-4. The purpose of the training is to equip IOM staff members with the specially designed EMM Instructor's Guide, including EMM workshop presentation aides.