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Nepal to benefit from two EU-funded global migration related projects

Nepal will be benefiting from two more (innovative) EU funded global migration related projects. The first project is a research-based project implemented by OCDE and ILO that will assess the economic contribution of labour migration in developing countries as countries of destination.

This project covering ten countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America including Nepal and Thailand takes a very new angle to migration. Interestingly the project will study how immigrants to Nepal (Indians, Chinese, European expats, etc.) contribute to its economy and impact the labour market.

The overall objective of the project is to create a reliable and evidence-based understanding of the economic contribution of labour immigration in low-income and middle-income countries, covering at least:

- Macro-economic effects (mainly contribution to GDP and growth, but also consumption, investment, inflation etc.)

- Impact on the labour market (sector analysis, impact on wages, labour shortage, productivity, employment, skills level etc.)

- Impact on public finances and social services (fiscal incomes/costs etc.).

The other project entitled 'Migration Domestic Workers in Action' focuses exclusively on domestic workers (80% of whom are women)

Domestic workers usually do not enjoy the same level of protection as other workers. They are excluded from national legal protection in more than half of the world, and find themselves working in a sector that historically has not received equal respect and value.

The global project will work in five “migration corridors”: Indonesia-Malaysia; Paraguay-Argentina, Nepal-Lebanon; Ukraine-Poland; Zimbabwe-South Africa.

Lebanon is one of the top five destinations together with Malaysia, UAE, Qatar, and Cyprus for Nepalese women migrants.

The project will help to create new information on migrant domestic workers for policy action, stronger domestic workers' organisations and networks and exchange of good practices and better policies for migrant domestic workers.

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