

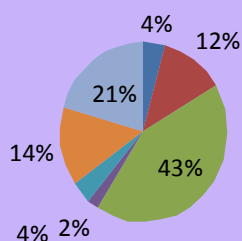
## What is MIEUX?

Migration EU expertise (MIEUX) is a joint EU-ICMPD initiative that supports third countries in addressing all areas of migration management through peer-to-peer transfer of knowledge and experience by EU Member States' experts. More information on MIEUX is available at: [www.icmpd.org/mieux](http://www.icmpd.org/mieux)

## MIEUX IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA: FACTS AND FIGURES

- Over 50% of the total MIEUX Actions.
- Implemented in 23 countries and in 2 regional bodies (ECOWAS and COMESA).
- 49 experts deployed since 2009.
- Implementation in many fields:

- Irregular migration
- THB
- Border Management
- Asylum
- M&D
- Legal Migration
- Migration Policy



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## SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

### Our Partners in Sub-Saharan Africa

#### Ongoing Actions

- Benin II
- Burundi
- COMESA II
- Côte d'Ivoire
- Malawi II
- Mauretania
- Mauritius
- Rwanda
- Senegal
- Sierra Leone II
- Togo I
- Togo II

#### Completed Actions

- Angola
- Cape Verde I and II
- COMESA I
- ECOWAS
- Ethiopia
- The Gambia
- Ghana
- Kenya
- Malawi I
- Mozambique
- Sierra Leone I
- Uganda
- West Africa I and II
- Zambia



### MIEUX Events in Sub-Saharan Africa

- **2-5 September 2013**  
Meeting on the Operational African Repertoire of Jobs and Professions (ROAME) in **Togo** for Government officials
- **9-11 October 2013**  
Workshop on counter-THB policy organised in **Cote d'Ivoire**, in close cooperation with UNODC
- **14-17 October 2013**  
Technical meeting for supporting the drafting of the national strategy on remittances in **Benin** for Government officials
- **21-25 October 2013**  
Assessment mission in **Malawi** to identify key needs of the national authorities dealing with migration
- **3-5 December 2013**  
Workshop on labour migration management for Government officials in **Togo**
- **16-19 December 2013**  
Assessment mission on border management procedures and human capacities in **Burundi**
- **20-23 January 2014**  
Migration Policy Workshop in **Sierra Leone** for Government officials
- **21-23 January 2014**  
Workshop on labour migration and Diaspora for Government officials in **Malawi**

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**Sub-Saharan  
Africa**



*Migration Policy Workshop  
in Freetown  
January 2014*

**Border Management**

**Action in Sierra Leone**

*Technical assistance to strengthen the migration management capabilities of the Sierra Leonean Immigration Department through capacity building*

Following previous MIEUX technical assistance on border management and migration legislation, Sierra Leone requested to deepen the results previously achieved by focusing, this time, on capacity building for immigration officials and the drafting of a National Migration Policy.

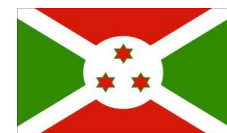


Therefore, a set of training sessions has been organised. A first training session, on border management and document security for recently recruited border guards, took place in May 2013. This was followed up with training on leadership and human resource management for senior immigration officers in August 2013. In January 2014, a workshop on migration policy development was organised. During the interactive workshop, best practices from Belgium and the Netherlands were presented and the participants learnt how to elaborate a coherent migration policy that is adapted to the context of Sierra Leone. With the support of Belgian and Dutch experts, MIEUX is providing assistance in the development of a National Migration Policy.

**Action in Burundi**

*Technical assistance to facilitate the future implementation of Burundi's National Migration Programme and, more specifically, the elements of it related to border management*

Since 2005, the Government of Burundi is engaged in a complex process aiming at enforcing a comprehensive migration and border management policy. This process is not yet completed and needs support to be implemented; the Burundi authorities have thus requested technical assistance.



Ongoing since December 2013, and with the participation of French experts, MIEUX began its support by identifying border management procedures and human capacities in Burundi. This activity will be followed by two sets of activities, one related to the drafting of a Border Management Strategy and its Operational Guidelines, and the other aimed at strengthening the knowledge and capacities of border and migration officials in addressing the needs of vulnerable migrants at borders, and on referral mechanisms for vulnerable migrants.

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**Sub-Saharan  
Africa**



*Drafting the national THB strategy in Abidjan  
October 2013*



*Workshop on ROAME in Lomé  
September 2013*

**Trafficking in Human Beings (THB)**

**Action in Côte d'Ivoire**

*Technical assistance to support the efforts of the Ivorian authorities to set the basis for a new national THB strategy*

Côte d'Ivoire, as one of the major destination countries for regional migration flows, has been increasingly confronted with cases of exploitation, forced labour and abuse of foreign and internal migrants. In 2012, the Government of Côte d'Ivoire decided to ratify the Palermo Convention on Human Trafficking, and has subsequently requested technical support from the European Union in order to start building up its anti-trafficking policy.



Côte d'Ivoire had already made a step towards setting up its anti-trafficking policy by adopting, in 2012, an Action Plan on child trafficking and labour exploitation. The objective is therefore to complete this strategy and build on its achievements in order to extend the principles of Prevention, Protection and Prosecution to all sectors of the population.

With the participation of Italian and Portuguese experts, MIEUX has been providing support to the Ivorian authorities since September 2012. This work, completed in coordination with a US-funded UNODC project, has already led to the setting up of an inter-departmental working group on THB, and the drafting of the Ivorian strategy concretely started in October 2013. Two more drafting workshops are still foreseen before the finalisation of the first Ivorian Strategy on fighting Human Trafficking.

**Labour Migration**

**Action in Togo**

*Technical assistance to improve the management of labour migration at national level and increase the integration of Togo into the Operational African Repertoire of Jobs and Professions (ROAME)*

Since 2012, Togo has shown its interest in acquiring the Operational African Repertoire of Jobs and Professions (in French *Répertoire Opérationnel Africain des Métiers et Emplois*, ROAME) in order to join the existing framework set between several West African countries (Benin, Cameroon, Mali and Senegal). The aim of the ROAME is to develop a common nomenclature of jobs, and to facilitate labour migration in the region. It is within this framework that Togo has requested technical assistance for increasing its integration into the ROAME, as well as for improving its management of labour migration.

The final objective of this Action is to provide the necessary tools for Togo to participate more efficiently in the workers' free movement agreements within the ECOWAS region.



With the participation of Belgian, Beninese and French experts, MIEUX has been providing support to the Togolese authorities since January 2013. Two workshops, one on the ROAME and the other on labour migration management, have already been organised. Further remote support will be delivered by the MIEUX experts to Togo both for the ROAME and the development of guidelines on labour migration management.

**Contact MIEUX**

National and regional administrations and organisations are invited to send a written request for technical assistance, outlining the need to be addressed, by email, letter or fax to:

- The ICMPD MIEUX Project Office; or
- The local EU Delegation.

Experts from EU Member States' administrations are invited to send their Curriculum Vitae to the ICMPD MIEUX Project Office.

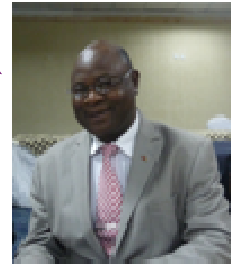
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The Immigration Department of Malawi is very appreciative of the support that ICMPD/MIEUX is providing for the development of a national migration and citizenship policy. We are proud of our long-term relationship with ICMPD/MIEUX that was first established in 2009 when we developed the border management procedures manual together. We are glad that we are able to work together on this second occasion for this migration policy workshop. Our latest workshop showed that the process is on course and I am looking forward to the realisation of the forthcoming activities. I have sincere appreciation for the commitment and the continued support of ICMPD/MIEUX.



**Being an expert for MIEUX**

**Mrs. Luisa Maia Gonçalves**, Head of the Department for International Relations,  
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Expert for Côte d'Ivoire



In a global society, smuggling and human trafficking are worldwide threats that harm fundamental human rights, and fighting these phenomena is essential. In this regard, the MIEUX action in Côte d'Ivoire is really contributing to the development of the Ivorian strategy against Trafficking of Human Beings and for the preparation of an action plan.

I have found the MIEUX management very effective thanks to the field intervention with other thematic experts, the team dynamic created and the full involvement of all the Ivorian actors. Last but not least, this project is a two way street and I have also learned a lot with it.

*Since 2009, 28 experts from 15 EU MS have taken part in MIEUX activities in Sub-Saharan Africa.*