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Located in an attractive park on the banks of the River Po, the Centre's campus provides a congenial environment in which to live and study.

It contains 21 pavilions with fully equipped modern classrooms, conference halls and meeting rooms fitted out for multilingual simultaneous interpretation, a computer laboratory, and a computerized documentation centre linked to various data banks.

The campus has 287 study/bedrooms, all with private bathrooms, telephones and cable television. It also has:

- a reception desk open 24 hours a day;
- a restaurant, a self-service canteen and a coffee lounge, all catering for international dietary needs;
- a bank;
- a travel agency;
- a laundry service;
- a post office;
- an internet point;
- a recreation room;
- facilities for outdoor and indoor sports;
- an infirmary.

Social events are regularly held both on and off campus, so that participants from different cultural backgrounds can make the most of the stimulating international climate.

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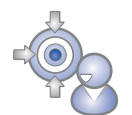


Rationale for the interregional training course

The [International Training Centre of the International Labour Organisation](#) (ITC-ILO), located in Turin (Italy), organises from 16th to 20th November 2009, an interregional course on the social and professional reintegration of labour migrants in their country of origin.

The main rationale for the training course is to foster the contribution to development of return migrants in their country of origin by providing ground-breaking and innovative information about their patterns of social and professional reintegration processes back home. It is aimed at enhancing the capacity of the participants (ILO's constituents and migration stakeholders from various regions of the world) in dealing with the reintegration of return migrants for developmental ends.

Also, the provision of analytical tools and information about return migration, through training and learning activities, is key to facilitating a better understanding of the preconditions that need to be considered to harness the development potential of return migration. This issue is currently weaving its way through various policy areas in the framework of intra- and interregional migration talks, on various continents.



Objectives

The 5-day training course at ITC-ILO will:

- address the social and professional reintegration of migrants and its impact on development;
- set out to gather innovative data on returnees' various profiles, by carrying out field surveys;
- aim to raise awareness of the need to develop adequate mechanisms sustaining the reintegration of returnees and propose solutions.

Finally, it contributes:

- to understanding further the factors, public policies as well as the pre- and post-return conditions shaping migrants' manifold patterns of reintegration in their country of origin;

- to explaining why return may or may not have a positive impact on the development of migrants' country of origin;
- to providing analytical tools and instruments allowing adequate policies to be adopted with a view to supporting migrants' reintegration;
- to further integrating return migration issues in national and regional development strategies.



Course description

The training course will foster a **multi-level reflection** among 30 participants from various regions of the world, involving international experts on the possibility of developing a favourable framework aimed at understanding the preconditions for sustaining the social and professional reintegration of returnees.

To do so, the course will tackle the following topics:

- Measuring return flows and stocks;
- Heterogeneity of returnees' profiles and patterns of reintegration;
- Factors shaping returnees' patterns of reintegration back home. Why do some returnees contribute to development whereas others do not?
- Returnees' investment and skills portability in the labour markets of countries of origin;
- The link between integration in host countries and reintegration in home countries;
- Impact of vocational training on the returnees' propensity to reintegrate professionally back home.

Also, activities within the course will be organised to:

- Address the need to support returnees' reintegration process, whether return is temporary or permanent;
- Provide added-value to temporary labour migration schemes and mobility packages by laying emphasis on the need to better consider the factors shaping the reintegration patterns of migrants who temporarily return to their own country;
- Capitalise on the returnees' know-how and human and financial capital acquired abroad with a view to retaining competencies and countering the brain drain;
- Generate lasting and self-sustaining channels of discussion between migration stakeholders, at national and international levels, during and after the timeframe of the training course.



Outputs and expected results

The training course will further the understanding of the link between return migration and development by:

- Providing monitoring mechanisms aimed at observing return flows in the long term;
- Analysing the prerequisites to adequately managing migrants' temporary and permanent reintegration back home.

Also, the training course and its outputs will contribute to:

- Providing the necessary means and instruments (databases, analytical tools for policy measures, migration profiles) to decision-makers in order to head towards the adoption of ad hoc measures aimed at sustaining the reintegration of migrants. Such measures would also:
 - Capitalise on the transfer of know-how and skills acquired by return migrants in the framework of development programmes;
 - Provide added value to the implementation of temporary labour schemes and mobility schemes that countries of destination and of origin seek to implement. The added value lies, among other things, in monitoring the reintegration processes of temporary labour migrants and in making such processes more responsive to developmental concerns.

Another key output of the training course lies in its attempt to put at the disposal of migration and development stakeholders various qualitative and quantitative data, studies and analytical reports, in the course of the development of its activities, highlighting the heterogeneity of return migrants' profiles and patterns of reintegration. In other words, the issue at stake is not only to provide analytical tools, but also to use these tools in order to give decision-makers and stakeholders the relevant knowledge and information about the actual factors shaping the reintegration processes of return migrants. The provision of such informative and analytical data is key to enhancing the technical capacity of the public authorities in dealing with return, in both countries of destination and origin.



Target audience

The course takes place in the framework of the [Centre's Labour Migration Programme](#) and is addressed

to the ILO's constituents (i.e., government representatives, employers' organizations, and trade unions) as well as to civil society organizations and international development agencies. The course is interregional insofar as it offers the unique opportunity to migration stakeholders **from any region of the world** to share their own experiences and knowledge as applied to return migrants' reintegration processes.

Language

The course will be conducted entirely in English. Therefore a good command of English is required.



Cost of participation & Grants

The fee for the training course is 2,000 Euros per participant. The fee includes tuition costs (1,040 Euros), training materials, and other conference costs, as well as subsistence costs (960 Euros), i.e. full board and lodging at the Turin Centre's Campus, transfer to and from the airport, plus laundry, minor medical care and insurance and socio-cultural activities.

Please note that the ITC-ILO will provide a limited number of **fellowships** covering subsistence and/or tuitions fees. Fellowships will be awarded to selected applicants on a first-come first-served basis. Therefore, early applicants will be given priority.

A limited number of **travel grants** are also available to cover the costs of international travel to and from Turin. Participants remain responsible for obtaining all necessary visas to enter Schengen area.

Deadline for application

Application forms (see attached) must be sent by email to Ms. Michela Ripandelli (m.ripandelli@itcilo.org) by **31st July 2009**