



CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Regional Conference: Human Rights in Migration Governance



SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 27 JULY 2018

This conference is organised by GIZ/Better Migration Management Programme (BMM) and the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR) with partner countries and regional institutions in Eastern Africa.

GUIDELINES

This Call for Submissions encourages proposals based on practice, case studies, projects, ongoing research, field work or completed research papers. Submissions written in English must include a title, an executive summary, key findings and policy recommendations (2 pages maximum) and a brief personal biography (100-150 words) for submission by **27 July 2018**. Outstanding candidates will be notified of our final selection decisions **by 15 August 2018**. Selection Criteria depends on the following factors:

- Range and significance of topic in the field
- Relevance to the outcomes of the conference
- Engaging presentation format involving the conference audience
- Evidence of a high standard of research and/or practice

Please submit your papers to HRMGconference@giz.de with copy to Fridah Kibuko at fridah.kibuko@giz.de and Cody Gleason at cody.gleason@giz.de

Selected speakers will be invited to present their work at the conference and/or participate in panel discussions. **All selected speakers will be fully sponsored to participate in the conference in Nairobi, Kenya from 15-17 October 2018 by the BMM Programme.** The conference is interested in addressing, but not limited to, the following topics:

- Practices of protection in key areas: labour migration, vulnerable migrants and migrants on the move, child migrants, victims of trafficking or smuggling
- Rights vs responsibilities of migrants, society, national governments and institutions
- The impact of media portrayal of migration, public opinion and xenophobia on policy development
- Human rights architecture and legal instruments in the Eastern African region
- The role of national human rights institutions in monitoring compliance as well as protecting and promoting human rights; practical challenges and opportunities
- The impact of the Global Compact on Migration on human rights of migrants

IMPORTANT DATES

Submission deadline: **27 July 2018** (11.59pm East Africa Time; UTC+ 3 hours)

Notification of submission decision: **15 August 2018**

CONFERENCE AIM

The aim of the conference is to develop recommendations for mainstreaming human rights in migration governance. These recommendations will be presented to relevant representatives of IGAD member states and regional human rights institutions to promote better policy solutions.

OBJECTIVES

- Explore the influences that shape perception of migration and policy development
- Identify and compare practices of protection of migrants' rights
- Define responsibilities in the protection of human rights among migrants
- Develop practical recommendations for national human rights institutions and policy makers in the IGAD region to mainstream human rights in migration governance
- Provide a forum for discussion, knowledge exchange and networking on human rights in migration governance

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