

ACP-EU DIALOGUE on Migration and Development



Peer-to-peer exchange meeting on Trafficking in Human Beings and Smuggling of Migrants

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The Peer-to-Peer Meeting: an exchange of knowledge, practices and information

Objectives of the Meeting

The overall objective of the P2P meeting is to provide channels of communication, exchange and information between peers and to collect good practices on the topics of Trafficking in Human Beings (THB) and Smuggling of Migrants (SoM) for the benefit of the Action's stakeholders, namely African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) and European Union States, Regional Organisations and Non-State Actors (NSAs). Specifically, the P2P meeting will:

- I. Exchange on challenges, lessons learnt and good practices identified through the implementation of activities of the Action with a focus on the recommendations of the ACP-EU Migration Dialogue on both THB and SoM;
- II. Showcase the implementation of the recommendations on THB and SoM of the ACP-EU Dialogue at local level;
- III. Exchange on actions to be taken to counter trafficking and smuggling in all concerned regions with a focus on cross-border cooperation;
- IV. Inform the Thematic Report on THB and SoM and Good Practices Publication that the Action will produce following the event;
- V. Feed the ACP-EU Dialogue on Migration and Development with recommendations drawn from concrete examples of the implementation of the Action in ACP countries;

Meeting Format

The P2P Exchange Meeting on THB and SoM will be held in Georgetown, Guyana, from the 21st to the 23rd of March, 2017 and will bring together high-level technical experts on the topics of THB and SoM as well as the ACP-EU Migration Action main stakeholders. Particularly, it will gather: Governments' // Regional Organizations' // NSA focal points involved in the ACP-EU Migration Action's initiatives on THB and SoM.

It will also bring to the table migration experts delivering the Action's technical assistance itself; ACP Secretariat and EU representatives; representatives of the International Organization for Migration (IOM), other UN agencies and the international community working in the area of counter-trafficking, counter-smuggling and related fields.

The P2P exchange meeting will comprise of a number of plenary and small group sessions. All of the proposed activities are highly participative. Plenary sessions will feature roundtable debates, group discussions and short presentations by the beneficiaries of the Action, policy makers and migration experts, while also leaving sufficient space for spontaneous exchange among participants.

The break-out sessions will allow for in-depth and more technical discussions which will generate recommendations on both topics to be presented to the Dialogue stakeholders in the form of a Thematic Report.

The different sessions will seek to follow-up and deepen the discussions held during the Seminar on Trafficking in Human Beings and Smuggling of Migrants of the ACP-EU Dialogue on Migration and Development that took place the 22nd - 23rd of November 2016 in Brussels, Belgium.

Methodology

This P2P meeting aims at encouraging the dialogue between all key stakeholders of the Action with the aim of analyzing, from multiple perspectives, how the challenges in counter-trafficking and counter-smuggling are addressed. Being a technical meeting, and by working in a triangular way so as to bring to the same table governmental officials, NSAs and the international community, the event will strive to come up with ideas and solutions that can be useful for countries in particular and for a wider public in general.

In this regard, through a highly participatory approach, representatives from the participating countries/organizations will be actively involved throughout the sessions and be requested to share experiences through presentations and exercises. The event will bring together around 70 delegates.

The P2P will be divided into several sessions. Each session will have a thematic/contextual introduction and will be followed by a group work session. Space to the delegates will be

given to approach the panelist of their interest as to have a closer / customised exchange of knowledge. Small Group Discussions will allow for a more in-depth debate of specific topics, while the Breakout Sessions will divide the group in thematic sessions. A facilitator will then be responsible for drafting a set of recommendations on that specific topic. S/He will introduce the subject and initiate debates by collecting opinions from the delegates. Finally, on the evening of every day Reflection Groups will allow to debrief the day shortly by asking delegates one thing they have learned during that day and one thing they did not quite understand and why. This information will then be shared with panelists, who will have the opportunity of approaching delegates bilaterally and informally.

The ACP-EU Migration Action (The Action)

Launched in January 2015, the ACP-EU Migration Action (the Action) is geared towards supporting activities that promote the 2012 recommendations on visas, remittances and readmission, as well as the 2015 recommendations on trafficking in human beings and smuggling of migrants. Funded by the 10th European Development Fund, the Action operates under the auspices of the ACP Secretariat and the European Commission and is implemented by the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

Program

DAY 1 - 21st of March

08:00-09:00	PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION
09:00-10:30	<p>Opening remarks</p> <p><i>Event moderators' first remarks: Ms Roseline Borland, Regional Project Development Officer, IOM Regional Office San José.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Co-operative Republic of Guyana: Ms Amna Ally, Minister of Social Protection Guyana- Delegation of the European Union: Mr Derek Lambe, Head of Political, Press and Information- International Organization for Migration (IOM): Mr. Robert Natiello: IOM Regional Coordinator for the Caribbean and Chief of Mission of IOM Guyana
10:30-11:00	GROUP PHOTO/COFFEE BREAK
11:00-12:00	<p>Trafficking in Human beings (THB) and Smuggling of Migrants (SoM) The International Organization for Migration's approach</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- A methodological overview of the P2P Meeting: Ms Lori Mann, ACP EU Migration Action Expert- IOM's standpoint on both phenomena Ms Roseline Borland, Regional Project Development Officer, IOM RO San José- The ACP EU Migration Action Ms Renza Tovazzi, Programme Officer, IOM Regional Office Brussels
12:00-13:30	LUNCH BREAK

Pursuing effective legislation and national coordination on THB and SoM matters for ACP and EU countries

13:30-14:30

Session Moderator: Ms Lori Mann, ACP EU Migration Action Expert

- Ms Joanna Sosnowska, Head of Unit for the European Migration Network and Prevention against Trafficking in Human Beings
- Ms Nompumelelo Lukhele, Head of Secretariat, Prime Ministers' Office, Kingdom of Swaziland

14:30-14:45

BREAK

Trafficking in Human Beings and Smuggling of Migrants: Cross-cutting issues

Session Moderator: Ms Roseline Borland, Regional Project Development Officer, IOM

14:45-16:00

- A gender perspective:
Mr. Philippe Lust-Bianchi, Knowledge Management Specialist UN Women
- Countering trafficking of children and smuggling of unaccompanied minors:
Mr Paolo Marchi, Deputy representative, UNICEF
- Approaches to the protection of women and girls:
Mr Fils-Lien Ely Thelot, President of the Haitian National Committee against THB

16:00-16:30

COFFEE BREAK

Best practices on data collection and case management: drawing the links between how these foster improved investigations, policymaking and victim assistance

Session Moderator: Ms Lori Mann, ACP EU Migration Action Expert

16:30-17:30

- Indicators for the identification of victims
Mr. Plácido Franco, Attaché of the Centre of Intelligence and Risk Analysis Spanish Police Force
- Ms Ivana Jankovich, INTERPOL (TBC)

Program

DAY 2 - 22nd of March

09:00-10:15	<p>Tackling trafficking in human beings and smuggling of migrants: investigation, prosecution and cross-border cooperation</p> <p><i>Session Moderator: Ms Ivana Jankovich, INTERPOL(TBC)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr Jonathan Baró Guitierrez, Attorney General, Dominican Republic Appeal Court- Mr Carlos Perez, GloACT Project Coordinator, UNODC
10:15-10:45	COFFEE BREAK
10:45-12:00	<p>Victim Protection: assisting and working with victims to prevent secondary victimization in the criminal justice process</p> <p><i>Sessio Moderator: Ms Roselyne Borland, Regional Project Development Officer, IOM</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr Aboubacar Sidiki Camara, Advisor to the Minister, Guinea Ministry of Social Action, Promotion of Women's rights and of Childhood- Mr Olatunde Olayemi, Head of ECOWAS Trafficking in Persons Unit
12:00-13:00	LUNCH BREAK
13:00-14:15	<p>BREAKOUT SESSIONS IN 3 ROOMS:</p> <p>ROOM 1: Rapporteur: Ms Leigh-Ann Bonair i Moderator: Ms Linda Eriksson</p> <p>ROOM 2: Rapporteur: Mr Philippe Lust-Bianchi i Moderator: Ms Lori Mann</p> <p>ROOM 3: Rapporteur: Mr Steve Harvey i Moderator: Ms Rosilyne Borland</p>
14:15-14:30	BREAK
14:30-15:45	BREAKOUT SESSIONS IN 3 ROOMS:
15:45-16:15	COFFEE BREAK
16:15-17:30	BREAKOUT SESSIONS IN 3 ROOMS:
20:30-OPEN	COCKTAIL DINNER

ROOM 1: PROGRAM 13:00-14:15	Enacting a comprehensive legislation on both THB and SoM in the ACP and EU regions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Rachele Bergeron, Assistant Attorney General, YAP State Micronesia - Ms Alana Wheeler, Director of the Counter-trafficking Unit, Ministry of National Security, Trinidad and Tobago
14:30-15:45	Establishing mechanisms of national inter-service coordination for concrete results in countering THB and SoM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Anaceleste Januário, Director of Ministry of Justice and Human Rights, Angola - Mr Junior Simmons, Deputy Head, Anti-Trafficking in Persons Unit Royal St Vincent and the Grenadines Police Force
16:15-17:30	Effectively addressing the demand side: tackling THB and SoM on a global level <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Kate Gowans, 2nd Secretary of Immigration, UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office - Mr Aimé Nkanga Elima, Chief of Division, General Secretariat of Interior, DR Congo
ROOM 2: PROGRAM 13:00-14:15	Raising awareness regarding THB and SoM that lead to the protection of victims <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Abdul Karim Cisse, Technical Advisor, MAESE, - Mr Cesar Agbossaga, Ministry of Home Affairs and Security, Republic of Benin - Mr Mason Fugui, Director of the Immigration Division, Solomon Islands
14:30-15:45	Cooperation for the promotion of a victim-centered approach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Paolo Marchi, Deputy Representative, UNICEF - Mr Agosta Degazon, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs and National Security, Saint Lucia - Mr Philippe Lust-Bianchi, Knowledge Management Specialist, UN Women
16:15-17:30	Cross-border cooperation: tackling THB and SoM regionally <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Rebecca Miller, Program Manager People Smuggling and Trafficking in Persons Government of New Zealand - Bali Process - Ms Sandra Chavés Esquivel, Representative of the Regional Conference on Migration - Mr Olatunde Olayemi, Head of ECOWAS Trafficking in Persons Unit
ROOM 3: PROGRAM 13:00-14:15	Promoting cross-border cooperation among countries of origin, transit and destination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Mody Ndiaye, Permanent Secretary of National Committee against THB, Senegal - Mr Chesley Olivierre, Chief Analyst of CARICOM IMPACS
14:30-15:45	Dismantling criminal networks: effective victim identification & other measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Josephine Advent Pitmur, Director of Department of Justice and Attorney General of Papua New Guinea - Mr Carlos Perez, GloACT Project Coordinator, UNODC
16:15-17:30	Challenges on investigation and prosecution on THB and SoM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Paul Ah Kuoi, Principal Immigration Officer, Ministry of the Prime Minister, Samoa - INTERPOL (name TBC) - Mr Allanrow Bani, Senior Inspector, Vanuatu Police Force

Program

DAY 3 - 23rd of March

09:00-10:00	<p>The role of civil society in countering THB and awareness raising</p> <p><i>Session Moderator: Ms Rosilyne Borland</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms Anna Zobnina, European Network of Migrant Women (ENoMW)- Ms Marina Charles, Guyanese NGO GWMO
10:00-10:30	<p>EVALUATION</p>
10:30-11:00	<p>BREAK</p>
11:00-12:00	<p>Outcomes of the ACP EU Peer-to-peer exchange meeting on THB and SoM</p> <p><i>Sessio co-Moderators: Ms Lori Mann and Ms Rosilyne Borland</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Presentation of the P2P report and of the Recommendations coming out from the breakout sessions- Next steps
12:00-13:30	<p>LUNCH BREAK</p>
13:30-15:00	<p>Plenary formalities and closing session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Remarks by P2P moderators Ms Lori Mann and Ms Rosilyne Borland- Remarks by the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Mr Robert Natiello, IOM Regional Coordinator for the Caribbean and Chief of Mission IOM Guyana- Remarks by the ACP EU Migration Action Programma Mr Olivier Grosjean, Programme Officer, IOM Regiona Office Brussels- Remarks by the Delegation of the European Union Mr Derek Lambe, Head of Political, Press and Information

Meet the experts!

Short bio's of P2P speakers

P2P Moderators

Ms. Rosilyne
BORLAND

IOM RO San Jose



Rosilyne Borland has 14 years' experience in international development, and is currently based at the Regional Office for Central and North America and the Caribbean of the International Organization for Migration in San Jose, Costa Rica. During her career, Rosilyne has specialized on issues related to the human rights of migrants, particularly trafficking in persons and health, and return migration. She has led multiple global IOM projects in collaboration with the Gender Violence and Health Centre of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, including the development of the global good practice handbook for health providers, *Caring for Trafficked Persons*. Before working with IOM in Central America, Rosilyne led IOM's work on counter-trafficking, voluntary return and migrant assistance in South America. She has also been based at IOM Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. Rosilyne holds a Master's degree in International Human Development from the American University. Prior to working with IOM, Rosilyne was a freelance writer working with Médecins sans Frontières.

Ms. Lori
MANN

*Consultant, ACP EU
Migration Action Expert*



Lori Mann has a Bachelor's degree from the University of California at Berkeley and a law degree from Columbia Law School in New York. She has been working on human rights issues for 20 years in diverse countries around the world. She has worked as an international consultant on human trafficking and migrant smuggling for IOM in Moldova, Bangkok and for the ACP in Brussels, as well as for other international stakeholders, including UNODC, the OSCE and the European Centre for Roma Rights. She currently lives in Madrid.

Speakers DAY 1

Ms Nompumelelo LUKHELE

Kingdom of Swaziland



An admitted attorney of the High Court of Swaziland. Formerly with the Directorate of Public Prosecutions as Principal Crown Counsel responsible for the Sexual Offences unit established under my leadership in 2008. Was appointed a member of the Inter Agency Task Force for the Prevention of People Trafficking and People Smuggling and member of the technical advisors for the National Children's Coordination Unit. Before heading the Sexual Offences unit was prosecuting all criminal offences as crown counsel and senior crown counsel. Left the prosecution after ten years to join the Prime Minister's office as the first Head of Secretariat for The Prevention of People Trafficking and People Smuggling, a position held since 2009.



Mr Fils-Lien ELY THELOT

Republic of Haiti

Fils-Lien Ely Thélot is Doctor in Sociology, Specialist in Development Studies, University Professor, Social Protection Advisor. After working as a Lecturer at the University of Geneva, Visiting Researcher at Harvard University and Professor at the State University of Haiti, he works at the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor (MAST) as Member of the Cabinet of the Minister and has chaired the National

Committee for the Fight against Trafficking in Persons (CNLTP) since August 2015. He is the author of several scientific articles and books on the Republic of Haiti, the last of which appeared in 2016, is entitled «L'hégémonie du provisoire en Haïti ».



Mr Philippe LUST-BIANCHI

UN WOMEN

Philippe Lust-Bianchi is Knowledge Management Specialist in the Ending Violence against Women Section of UN Women, where he is in charged of managing the "Virtual Knowledge Centre on Violence against Women" (<http://endvawnow.org>) and supports the roll-out of the Flagship Programme Initiative on "Essential Services and Prevention of Violence against Women and Girls". He is also the Organization's focal points on Trafficking. Before joining UN Women, Philippe worked for five years in Sierra Leone as Adolescents and Youth Specialist for UNFPA. He has also previously worked with the United Nations in Ethiopia, in the Gambia and in Haiti, where he supported the humanitarian response to the 2010 Earthquake.

Mr Paolo
MARCHI
UNICEF



Mr Paolo Marchi has been working as Deputy Representative for the UNICEF office in Guyana and Suriname since October 2015. Previously Mr Marchi was Head of the Child Protection Section at UNICEF Office for Bosnia and Herzegovina, which he joined after having worked in the UNICEF Gender and Rights Unit in HQ. Prior to his work with UNICEF, he held different other IOs and INGOs in Morocco, Sierra Leone, Italy, and Switzerland. Mr Marchi holds a LLM in International Human Rights Law from the University of Essex, and a LLB from the University of Torino (Italy).



Mr Aboubacar
SIDIKI CAMARA
Republic of Guinea

Mr Camara holds a Master in Public Law from the University of Conakry (1996). His professional experiences include: Legal Advisor to the Minister of State for Social Affairs, Women's Promotion and Childhood (September 2011), Commissioner for the Independent National Institution of Human Rights (January 2015); Focal Point of the Central Authority on the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction (2012); Chairman of the National Committee to Combat Trafficking in Persons (2013).

Speakers DAY 2

Mr Jonathan
BARO GUITERREZ
Dominican Republic



Member of the Public Ministry of the Dominican Republic since 2006. Lecturer in the subject of Trafficking in Persons and Illicit Traffic in Migrants at the National School of the Public Ministry and the National School of the Judiciary of the Dominican Republic, co-author of the book "Delito de Trata de Personas" (2012), since 2013 directs the Specialized Prosecutor against the Smuggling in Migrants and Trafficking in Persons.

Mr Olatunde
OLAYEMI
ECOWAS



Olatunde Olayemi is a Project Officer in the ECOWAS Commission, formerly Regional Advisor, and currently heads the Counter trafficking Unit. He is responsible for the Humanitarian Affairs Program in the Directorate of Humanitarian and Social Affairs. He is a former Regional Advisor Legal, Law Enforcement and Policy in the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.



**Ms Alana
WHEELER**
*Republic of
Trinidad and Tobago*

Ms. Wheeler has worked in the field of National Security for almost twenty years. She is currently the Director of the Counter Trafficking Unit, Ministry of National Security in Trinidad and Tobago where she has been instrumental in staffing the Unit and where she developed and implemented the National Public Awareness Campaign Against Trafficking in Persons. In 2011/2012, she was the National Coordinator for UNDP's first Caribbean Human Development Report on Citizen Security and made significant contributions to Trinidad and Tobago's first Human Development Atlas 2012. Both publications are now used as reference tools by academics and public officials throughout the region. She also led local anti-corruption initiatives under the umbrella of Transparency International. In 2014, she pioneered the Trinidad and Tobago Crime Prevention Initiative under one of Pan American Development Foundation's Projects.

**Mr Abdul Karim
CISSE**
Republic of Senegal



Mr Cisse is engineer Telecommunications and holds a Master in Statistics and Econometrics and a degree in Economic Sciences and Management. He has worked for World Vision Senegal and in the Senegalese private sector, among others. He joined the Ministère des Affaires Etrangères et des Sénégalais de

l'Extérieur in 2013 and works since 2014 as Conseiller Technique à la Direction Générale des Sénégalais de l'Extérieur



**Mr Mody Guirandou
NDIAYE**
Republic of Senegal

Doctor of Public Law (Orléans / France) and a Master in Law and Government LLM (Washington Dc). Director of the Office of the President of the National Assembly, Director of the Office of the President of the Senate, Member of the Supreme Council of the Court of Auditors, Associate Professor at the University of Saint Louis (Terrorism and Transnational Crimes) Permanent Secretary of the National Unit to Combat Trafficking in Persons, especially Women and Children, of the Ministry of Justice.

**Mr. Mason
FUGUI**
Solomon Islands



Mr Fugui Graduated with Bachelor of Arts, majoring in Public Administration and with a Masters of Business Administration from the University of the South Pacific. He joined the Immigration Division, Solomon Islands since year 2007 till now. Currently, he is Director of the Solomon Islands Immigration Division.

**Ms Anaceleste
JANUÁRIO**
Republic of Angola



Ana Celeste Cardoso Januário, holds a law degree from the Faculty of Law of Agostinho Neto University, Luanda - Angola. National Human Rights Director of the Ministry of Justice and Human Rights, coordinator of the Technical Group of the Intersectoral Commission for the Elaboration of National Reports of Human Rights and of the Commission against Trafficking in Human Beings. In November 2009, she participated in the "IVLP" International Visitor Leadership Program, Professional Exchange program in the USA on TIP Traffic in Person, and in July 2009 she participated in the Human Trafficking Training Organized by IOM. Has participated in workshops and lectures on Trafficking in Human Beings and exchanges of experience with International, Regional and National partners.

**Mr Aimé
NKANGA ELIMA**
DR Congo



Degree in School and Vocational Guidance from the National Pedagogical University (UPN). Kinshasa 1990, School Counselor (1993-1998), Assistant Territory Administrator in Nyangara / DRC (1998-2004), Head of Division for National Emigration in the Ministry of the Interior and Security (2004 To date) and Focal Point at IOM / DRC

**Mr Junior
SIMMONS**
*St. Vincent and
the Grenadines*



Station Sergeant Junior O. Simmons is a Police Officer with twenty four (24) years experience in law enforcement. He is the deputy head of the Anti-Trafficking in Persons Unit (ATIPU) of the Royal St. Vincent and the Grenadines Police Force. He was first exposed to the phenomenon of human trafficking in 2010 through training; since then, he has developed a 'zero tolerance' approach to combating the 'evils' of trafficking wherever it exists globally.

**Mr Agosta
DEGAZON**
St. Lucia



Mr. Agosta Degazon currently serves as the Permanent Secretary in the Department of Home Affairs and National Security in Saint Lucia. He is also the Chairman of the National Task Force for the Prevention of Trafficking in Persons. After completing his B. Sc. Degree (Accounting) at the University of the West Indies, he entered the Public Service of the Government of Saint Lucia in 1988 as a professional cadet at the Inland Revenue Department. He obtained his MBA at the University of the West Indies. Mr. Degazon has over 28 years' experience in taxation, accounting, auditing, finance and management and has held a number of senior positions in the Government of Saint Lucia including:

Deputy Comptroller of Inland Revenue, Acting Comptroller of Inland Revenue, Accountant General, Director, Financial Administration Director of Finance, and Permanent Secretary – Department of Home Affairs and National Security (March 2014 to date)

Ms Josephine ADVENT-PITMUR

Papua New Guinea



Josephine is the Director of Legal Policy and Governance Branch of the Department of Justice & Attorney General. Josephine joined the Legal Policy Branch in 2009 after working with the Constitutional and Law Reform Commission. She graduated with a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Papua New Guinea and a Master of Public and International Law from the University of Melbourne. Josephine has worked across a range of areas, including human rights with particular focus on human trafficking, people smuggling, domestic violence and sorcery related accusations, international crime cooperation and criminal and community justice.



Ms Kate GOWANS

United Kingdom

Kate studied BA (Hons) Classical Literature and Civilisation at the University of Birmingham and joined the Home Office in 2006. She has been on secondment to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office since 2013 and has been

posted to Kabul, Islamabad and now Brussels. She has worked on asylum, specialising in interviewing Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASCs) and Potential Victims of Trafficking (PVoTs) as well as undertaking Serious Case Reviews on asylum cases for the Home Office. Since 2010 she has focused on returns and readmission issues, negotiating with the Afghan and Pakistani governments on returns and supporting returnees as well as preventing illegal migration. She has also worked on programmes with the IOM and UN on initiatives to tackle Organised Immigration Crime, Human Smuggling, Trafficking and Modern Slavery.

Ms Rebecca MILLER

New Zealand



Dr. Rebecca Miller is the Programme Manager for People Smuggling and Trafficking in Persons at Immigration New Zealand (INZ). Prior to this, she was INZ's Project Coordinator for the Bali Process Regional Support Office (RSO) based in Bangkok. Before joining INZ, Rebecca was regularly sought by United Nations agencies, donor governments, and nongovernmental organisations as a technical expert. Her career has taken her to over fourteen countries throughout Southeast Asia, Africa, and the Pacific. She studied criminology, sociology, and education at the University of Toronto and Queen's University in Canada, and obtained her PhD in Development Studies from the University of Auckland.

Mr Paul
AH KUOI
Samoa



Paul Ah Kuoi is a Principal Immigration Officer at the Ministry of the Prime Minister and Cabinet. The immigration office was his first job, and has been working there for more than 13 years. Mainly responsible for Human Resource development; conduct Staff trainings and also involves heavily at a supervisory role with Border Control, profiling and processing of Passengers that arrive and depart Samoa's regulated ports. Studied at the University of the South Pacific (Laucala Campus) in Suva, Fiji; and had graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Management and Public Administration. He has attended a few workshops on Human Trafficking and Smuggling of migrants, as well as other workshops related to the core function of the Immigration Office (eg: facial recognition, intelligence, document examination, money laundering, etc). Very passionate with the work of immigration, and is very enthusiastic to learn more on the subject of Trafficking in Human Beings, and Smuggling of Migrants, as these are growing challenges all across the borders.



Mr Allanrow
BANI
Vanuatu

Allanrow Banimataku is a Senior Inspector and is head of the Vanuatu Police Force Transnational Crime Unit. He has been in this position since 2004.

Survival Guide

Welcome,

We are pleased to have you participate in the **ACP-EU Migration Action Peer-to-Peer Exchange Event on Trafficking in Human Beings and Smuggling of Migrants**, taking place in Georgetown, Guyana from the 21st until the 23rd of March 2017. Below you will find practical information to make your attendance to the meeting a success.

Focal Point

If you have any problem while in Georgetown, please get in touch with:

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Lucas G. Hackradt, ACP EU Migration Action/IOM

Venue

Marriot Hotel

Block Alpha, Battery Road, Kingston, Georgetown, Guyana.

Tel: +592 231 2480

web: <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/geomc-guyana-marriott-hotel-georgetown/>

Accommodation

IOM has reserved standard rooms for international participants at **Marriot Hotel** which includes breakfast. While IOM will cover the cost of accommodation (bed, breakfast and lunch, as well as refreshments), participants are responsible for settling private expenses (i.e. dinners, telephone calls, mini-bar charges, laundry, etc.) directly with the hotel at the end of the Event and prior to departure.

Travel to Guyana

In case you experience any issues with your flights in or out of Guyana, please contact one of the below persons for assistance (depending on the time zone):

In **Brussels**: Ms Lize Nevens

(lnevens@iom.int - (00) 32 479 22 8540)

In **Guyana**: Mr Lucas Hackradt

(lhackradt@iom.int - (00) 592 681 4856).

Be aware that **IOM can only intervene in case your flights are cancelled or you lose a connection** due to delay in one of the legs and in case you are travelling **on the official dates of the event** (as in: you did not request any deviations or longer stays).

- If you miss a connection due to airline/airport fault, you should collect a proof, declaration from the airline/airport
- If something happens due to airline/airport fault, please make arrangements directly with the airline, that should bear all related costs
- In case the airline does not provide a suitable solution, you should contact IOM for solving the issue. You should not purchase any flights without prior approval otherwise we may not be in the position to refund you.
- In case you experience a re-routing, communicate this to IOM asap.

Airport Pick-up

International participants will arrive at **Cheddi Jagan International Airport, Timehri (GEO)** or the **Eugene F. Correia International Airport (OGL)**. The Cheddi Jagan International Airport is approx. 41 kilometres (25 mi) south of Georgetown. It is the larger of the two international airports serving Georgetown. The Eugene F. Correia International Airport is located on the Atlantic Ocean coast of Guyana, 6 kilometres (3.7 mi) east of Georgetown. **Marriot Hotel will provide airport transfers.**

Getting around in Georgetown

Taxis are the safest means of transportation. Do not hail taxis from the roadside. Only use taxis that are connected to major hotels or are painted yellow. All yellow taxis are registered with the Government of Guyana's licensing office. Please note that **credit cards are not accepted for taxi payments**. Minibuses are *not* recommended as they tend to be overcrowded, poorly maintained and badly driven.

Unity Taxis: +592 225-4112

Or refer to Lucas G. Hackradt for info on reliable taxi services.

Security information

General threats in Guyana relate to crime specifically armed robberies/attacks especially in the commercial districts. Petty crime such as pickpocketing and bag-snatching in crowded markets and shopping streets is common as well as burglaries. Other hazards include road safety and trafficking accidents due to speeding and occasional floods during rainy periods. According to UNDSS, the following areas within Georgetown remain critical and all delegates are to avoid them at all times: [1] Tiger Bay, [2] Stabroek Market Area, [3] Albouystown especially during darkness.

IOM Security officers

For any security related assistance from IOM and UNDSS Security Officers, please contact below accordingly:

- Mr. Kirk Kerrett: +592 644 9473**
- Ms. Dropattie Sahadeo: +592-623 0067**
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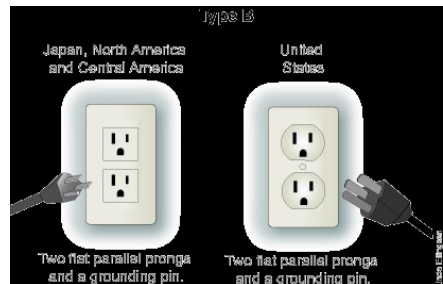
Travellers to Guyana should take general medical precautions. Mosquito-borne viral infection is a health risk. Such infections include: chikungunya, dengue fever, yellow fever, malaria, and Zika.

Climate

Georgetown has a year-round hot tropical climate. May, June, August and December-January; are usually the rainiest part of the year. Between the months of September to November relative humidity is lower ushering in the drier season. Georgetown's temperatures rarely raise above 31 degrees Celsius.

Electricity

Electrical voltage in Georgetown is: 110 to 220 Volts, so some participants may need to bring adapters with them.



Money

Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA)

The ACP-EU Migration Action will provide the participants with:

A) Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA/per diem) to cover for:

- your meals for the official duration of your stay (when not organized by the Action)
- local transportation from/to the airport in your country and in Georgetown
- local transportation within town in Georgetown for the official duration of your stay>
- postage costs for sending original boarding passes and other receipts related to the return flight(s)
- any applicable airport tax
- other miscellaneous costs for the official duration of your stay

B) Visa related costs (if applicable) reimbursement, which covers all amounts paid for the Visa and for other Visa processing costs (i.e. postage for sending/ receiving passport with Visa, Visa fees).

Your DSA and Visa related costs will be paid out in USD cash at the IOM reception desk at Marriot Hotel on Thursday 23rd March from 8:00AM to 12:00AM, upon presentation of original boarding passes (all legs) of the flights taken to reach Georgetown and presentation of all receipts related to costs for obtaining the Visa (including any transit Visa). Kindly note that IOM reserves the right to withhold payment of DSA and Visa related costs if original documents are not submitted.

By accepting payment of DSA and Visa related costs in Georgetown, **you commit to send by post the original boarding passes for your return flight(s)** – all legs, within 10 days from your return to the following address: Marta Bronzo - IOM - Rue Montoyer 40 - 1000 Brussels – Belgium. A scanned version of the documents should also mandatorily be sent to mbronzo@iom.int, prior postage.

Payment/cash info for Guyana

Guyana is still a largely cash-based economy. It is **recommended to use Guyana dollars (GYD) for payments** – paying in USD or EUR may be disadvantageous due to exchange rate differences. Cash can be withdrawn from foreign accounts using major credit/debit cards (Visa/Mastercard) at Scotiabank's ATMs in Georgetown. Payment with credit/debit cards is common at hotels, some restaurants and bars but not too common at shopping malls and market-type places. **The exchange rate is approximately 206 GYD to 1 USD.** It is possible to exchange foreign currencies at hotels, banks and cambios (bureau de exchange). Note: US Dollars are more widely accepted than other foreign currencies.



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