EuroMed Migration Team Leader

Country of assignment and location

Belgium, Brussels

Project / Field of activity

The purpose of this project is to strengthen cooperation in the management of migration so as to build up the Meda partners' capacity to provide an effective, targeted and comprehensive solution for the various forms of migration. That includes setting up mechanisms to promote opportunities for legal migration, support for measures to promote the linkage between migration and development and the stepping up of activities to stamp out people trafficking and illegal immigration, and to manage mixed flows.

The project will consist of three main components covering 1) legal migration, 2) fight against illegal immigration and 3) the relationship between migration and development.

The legal migration activities will aim to strengthen (1) cooperation with the migrants' countries of origin; (2) the dissemination of information on various aspects of migration, based on the findings of international research, the legislation of the EU and the Meda countries, and information of a practical nature useful for job applicants, (especially with a view to matching supply and demand); (3) instruments to support circular and return migration, (4) raise awareness of migrant women on their rights and duties in the host country and improve their role as actors of development in the host country and the country of origin.

The project should maximise the exchange of information and good practices concerning institutional and strategic ways of combating illegal migration, taking into account international protection obligations. The contacts to be strengthened are – initially at least – those between specialist officials designated by individual countries for the exchange of useful information of an operational and technical nature to combat illegal migration, in particular the criminal networks which organise the smuggling of migrants.

The third component of the project consists of measures for improving the impact of South North migration on the development of the region as a whole; this entails strengthening actions already taken by the EU in partnership with countries of origin.

Responsibilities

The Teamleader will be responsible for the realisation of a variety of specific activities involving analysis, exchanges of information and experiences and drafting of specific proposals will be carried out for each of the three Euro Med Migration II project components (legal migration, illegal migration, migration and development); these will be accompanied by training courses and other crosscutting activities relating to each of the three components. He/she will coordinate and manage the following activities:

- Set up working groups made up of high level ministerial authorities for different migration related issues:

1) legislative convergence and the need for reform of migration law and its institutional framework

2) labour market

- 3) institutional responses and national strategies to combat illegal immigration
- 4) remittances by migrants to their countries of origin
- Organisation of training sessions for the following topics:
- 1) on legislative convergence and institutional reforms

- 2) on ways of managing legal migration;
- 3) on strengthening border controls and reducing illegal immigration
- 4) on migration and development
- Organisation of Study visits;
- Development of a study in respect to women in the Meda countries.

Qualifications

Qualifications and skills:

- University degree (economics, sociology, demography, political science, law) or equivalent.
- A postgraduate qualification would be an advantage.
- Communication and negotiation skills.
- Fluency in French and English. Knowledge of Arabic will be an advantage.

General professional experience:

- At least 15 years' professional experience, including at least five years experience in posts of responsibility.

Specific professional experience:

- At least ten years' experience in managing international projects;
- At least five years' experience in managing teams in international projects;
- Good knowledge of the Meda countries, international cooperation and migration issues.

Duration

from April 2009 until Februry 2011 (ca. 22 months)

Application deadline

30.04.2009