

# **The United Nations Development Account Project on International Migration**

## ***An overview***

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## Strengthening national capacities to deal with international migration: Maximizing development benefits and minimizing negative impact



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### Objectives:

- Provide tools for countries to take advantage of migration benefits
- Strengthen national institutional capacities to incorporate international migration issues into national development strategies
- Improve quality and availability of information
- Promote cooperation through an intra and interregional network



# UN Development Account

- Programme of the United Nations Secretariat
- Enhance capacities of developing countries in the priority areas of the United Nations Development Agenda
- Since 1997: 166 projects (\$ 110 million)

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### **1<sup>st</sup> phase - Regional activities (2009-2010):**

- 6 regional workshops: ECE (2), ESCAP (2), ESCWA (1) and ECLAC (1)

### **2<sup>nd</sup> phase - Inter-regional activities (2011):**

- ESCWA/ESCAP Workshop: “Strengthening Dialogue to Make Migration Work for Development in the ESCAP and ESCWA Regions” (June, Beirut)
- ECLAC/ECE/ECA Workshop: “Examining development, institutional and policy aspects of migration between Africa, Europe and Latin America and the Caribbean” (September, Geneva)

### **Last phase - Elaboration of final document (first semester 2012):**

- Present main findings, messages and recommendations resulting from activities carried out in the context of the project
- Provide inputs (from a regional and interregional perspective): UN High Level Dialogue on International Migration, Global Forum on International Migration, Global Migration Group

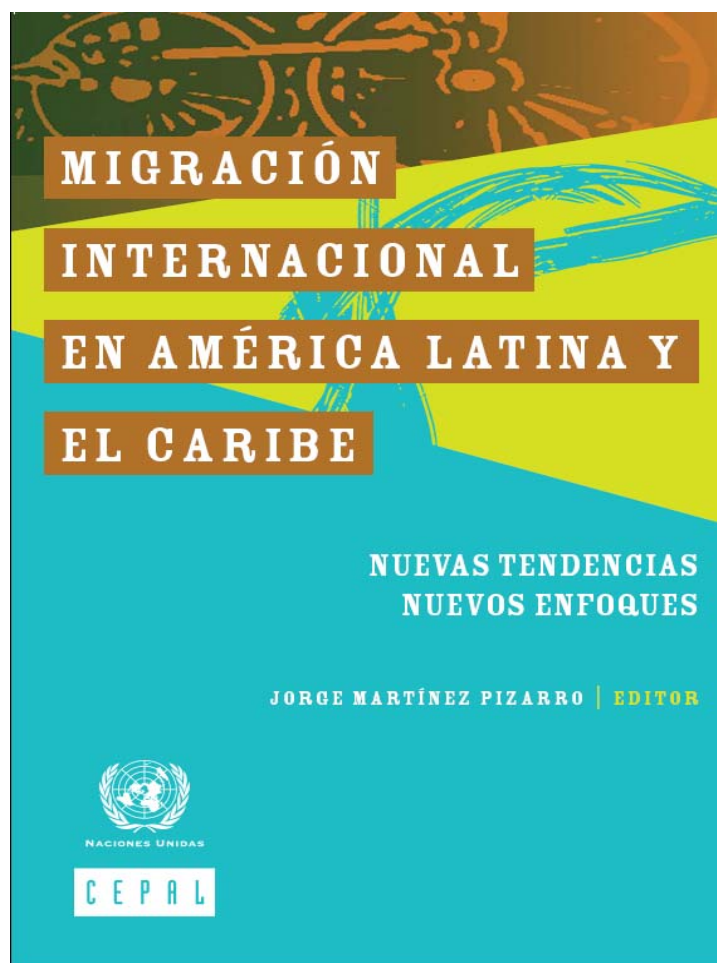
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## International Migration in Latin American and the Caribbean: New trends and approaches



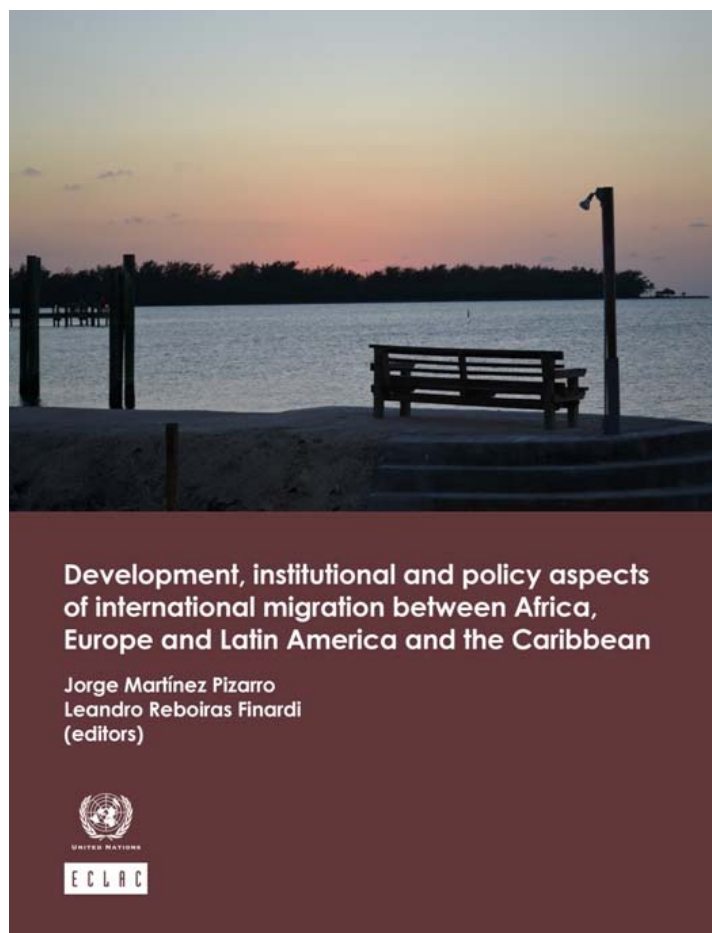
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## Development, institutional and policy aspects of migration between Africa, Europe and Latin America and the Caribbean

# General nature

- Broader migratory movements have become progressively more complex
- Important characteristics of mixed flows: vulnerability associated with irregular status (aggravated in border areas)
- Governments should move beyond security concerns by mainstreaming international migration in national development plans and strategies at the national and regional levels.
- Migrant workers' rights are eroded further in situations of economic recession and general uncertainty
- South-South migration: Despite increasing importance in the migration scenario, its potential impact on development remains under-researched

# ECLAC region



- Offers examples of all forms of contemporary international migration
- International migration has increasingly become part of the national agendas
- Gradual adoption of a rights based approach
- Migrants contributions to receiving societies



# Documents

- [Recent African immigration to South America: the cases of Argentina and Brazil in the regional context](#) (September 2011)
- [Africans in the Southern European countries: Italy, Spain and Portugal](#) (September 2011)
- [Migration patterns and immigrants' characteristics in North-Western Europe](#) (September 2011)
- [International migration: trends and institutional frameworks from the African perspective](#) (September 2011)
- [Migración internacional en América Latina y el Caribe. Nuevas tendencias, nuevos enfoques](#) (May 2011)
- [Taller sobre el fortalecimiento de las capacidades nacionales para la gestión de la migración internacional: nuevas tendencias, nuevos asuntos, nuevos enfoques de cara al futuro](#) (March 2011)
- [Draft Report of the Regional Workshop on Migration Statistics](#) (December 2010)
- [Report of the Asia-Pacific Regional Preparatory Meeting for the GFMD 2010](#) (September 2010)
- [Background of the Global Forum on Migration and Development \(GFMD\): History and Main Recommendations](#) (September 2010)
- [Key Trends and Challenges on International Migration and Development in Asia and the Pacific](#) (September 2010)
- [Resumen del estudio sobre marcos institucionales, normativos y de políticas sobre migración internacional en El Salvador y una exploración en Costa Rica](#) (September 2010)
- [Resumen del estudio sobre las profundas contribuciones de la migración latinoamericana a los Estados Unidos](#) (September 2010)
- [Resumen del estudio sobre marcos institucionales, normativos y de políticas sobre migración internacional en México](#) (September 2010)
- [Resumen del estudio sobre marcos institucionales, normativos y de políticas sobre migración internacional en la Argentina, Chile y el Ecuador](#) (September 2010)
- [Resumen del panorama migratorio en España, el Ecuador y Colombia a partir de las estadísticas locales](#) (September 2010)
- [Institutional framework, regulations and policies concerning international migration in El Salvador and Costa Rica \(Executive Summary\)](#) (September 2010)
- [The profound contributions of Latin American immigrants in the United States \(Executive Summary\)](#) (September 2010)
- [Legal, institutional and policy framework for international migration: the case of Mexico \(Executive Summary\)](#) (September 2010)
- [Legal, institutional and policy framework for international migration in Argentina, Chile and Ecuador \(Executive Summary\)](#) (September 2010)
- [An overview of international migration in Spain, Ecuador and Colombia based on local statistics \(Executive Summary\)](#) (September 2010)
- [Report of the Workshop on International Migration and Development in the Arab Region](#) (July 2010)
- [Proceedings and recommendations of the Workshop on Strengthening National Capacities to deal with International Migration](#) (April 2010)
- [Linking International Migration and Development in Asia](#) (April 2010)
- [Linking International Migration and Development in Asia \(Executive Summary\)](#) (April 2010)
- [Maximizing Development Benefits and Minimizing Negative Impact in the Pacific Islands Sub-region](#) (April 2010)
- [Report of the Regional Workshop on Strengthening National Capacities to Improve Migration Data](#) (February 2010)

# Workshops

- [UNECE-UNFPA Regional Workshop on Migration Statistics \(Antalya, Turkey, October 2011\)](#)
- [ECLAC-ECE-ECA Interregional Workshop on Strengthening Capacities to Deal with International Migration: "Examining development, institutional and policy aspects of migration between Africa, Europe and Latin America and the Caribbean" \(Geneva, September 2011\)](#)
- [ESCWA-ESCAP Biregional Workshop on "Strengthening dialogue to make migration work for development in the ESCAP and ESCWA regions" \(Beirut, June 2011\)](#)
- [UNECE-UNFPA Regional Training Workshop on Migration Statistics \(Istanbul, December 2010\)](#)
- [ESCAP Asia-Pacific Regional Thematic Working Group on International Migration including Human Trafficking \(Bangkok, September 2010\)](#)
- [ECLAC Workshop on Strengthening National Capacities in International Migration Management: "Looking towards the future: new trends, issues and approaches" \(Santiago, Chile, September 2010\)](#)
- [ESCWA Workshop on International Migration and Development in the Arab Region: Integrating International Migration into Development Strategies \(Beirut, July 2010\)](#)
- [ESCAP Workshop on Strengthening Capacities to Deal with International Migration \(Bangkok, April 2010\)](#)
- [ECE Regional Workshop on Migration Statistics \(Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, February 2010\)](#)



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