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GFMD PREPARATORY MEETINGS

11-15 June, 2012 Port Louis, Mauritius

The Mauritian Chair-in-Office of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD) 2012 will host three international meetings on migration and development in June, 2012, in preparation for the GFMD summit meeting on 21-22 November 2012.

- ▶ 11 June: A brainstorming meeting on *Enhancing Intra-African Cooperation on Migration and Development Policies*, organized by the Mauritian Chair-in-Office in cooperation with the African Union, UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA), African Development Bank (ADB) and IOM. This will help develop an African agenda on migration and development by focusing *inter alia* on labor mobility and skills in Africa.
- ▶ 12-13 June: A workshop on *Factoring Migration into Development Planning*, organized by the Swiss Government, the GFMD Policy Coherence Working Group, the Global Migration Group, and the Mauritian Chair-in-Office.
- ▶ 14-15 June: The 2nd High Level Forum on *Harnessing Diaspora Resources for Development in Africa*, organized by the World Bank and the Mauritian Chair-in-Office.

Invitations will be sent by the organizers to relevant government, academic, private sector and international organizations expert in these areas, whose collective ideas, experiences and good practices will add value to the Roundtable discussions on these themes at the GFMD Summit in November.

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