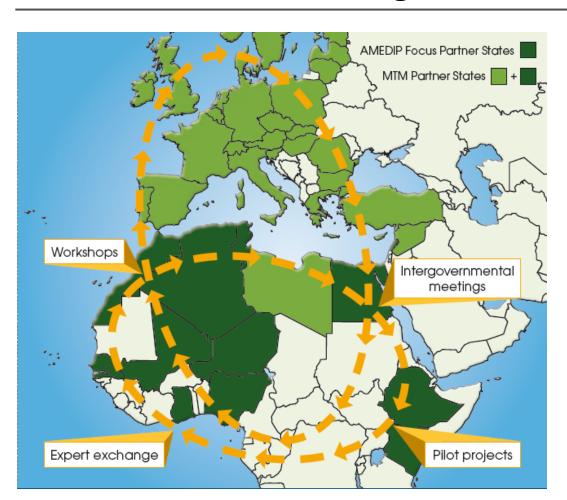


South-South Expert Exchange Mechanism

Activity implemented in the framework of the AMEDIP initiative



AMEDIP Initiative – Background



Funded by:



Implemented by:





AMEDIP Initiative – Overall Objective

To enhance the institutional capacities

of national authorities charged with migration and development to better harness the contributions of

diaspora communities





AMEDIP Activities

Opening Conference

Registry of Institutional Priorities in Focus Partner States

(3) Workshops

(12) South-South Expert Exchanges

(4) Pilot Projects

Handbook 'Enhancing diaspora engagement: Operational Guidelines for South-South and triangular cooperation'

Closing Conference



AMEDIP Initiative – Achievements

The AMEDIP initiative
promoted a culture
of dialogue and
concrete exchanges
between the Partner
States

The South-South Expert Exchange mechanism operationalised this culture of dialogue and sharing of experiences.

The workshops laid the base for sharing concrete governmental initiatives, experiences and practices for engaging with diasporas.





South-South Expert Exchange – The Methodology

The South-South Expert Exchanges (SSEE) aim to promote further policy development in the field of diaspora relations through South-South cooperation

SSEE are intended to support Focus Partner States (government agencies/local authorities) in strenghtening their institutional and technical capacities in the Migration and Development field by facilitiating the matching between:

Capacity
Building needs
in Partner States

and

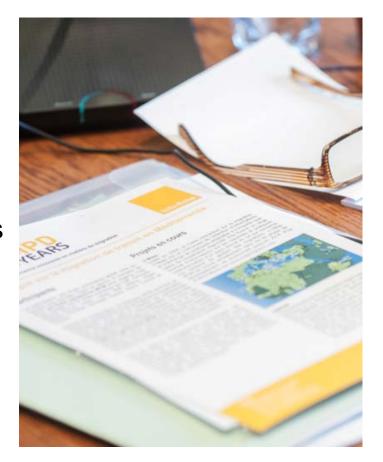
Available
Expertise in
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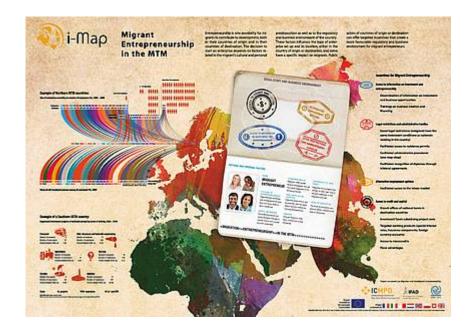
- provided participating states with concrete knowledge on different tools to promote engagement with the diaspora;
- allowed for exchanges on mechanisms and initiatives that have worked and the ones that were difficult to achieve in relation to the cooperation with the diaspora;
- facilitated networking among different institutions and countries.





Study visit of Cape Verde to Senegal: Institutional support for the diaspora promotes private sector development

Last year in August, a Cape Verdean Delegation composed of a representative of the Ministry of Communities and a representative of the Agency of Entrepreneurial development and innovation (ADEI) travelled to Senegal to meet Senegalese institutions (public and private) that are working to encourage migrant entrepreneurship.



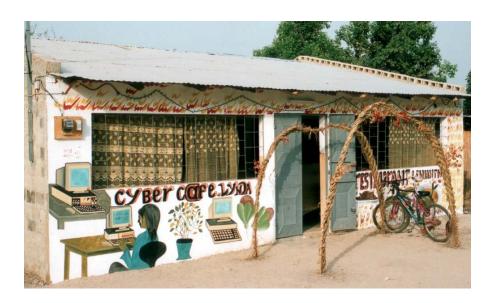


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Major issues to be tackled in Cape Verde, following our visit to Senegal:

- Return and reintegration polices
- Cooperation Policies
- Supporting the creation of companies / job opportunities







What kind of skills and knowledge from Senegal would we like to replicate in Cape Verde?



Creation of a structure similar to CONFESEN: Set up of a Confederation of Cape Verdean migrant entrepreneurs, to be implemented by the Ministry of Communities



Creation of a platform to support the private sector, like PLASEPRI in Senegal, in close partnership with national institutions that deal with investment with the private sector (CVI and ADEI)



Justifications

Cape Verdean migrants are becoming entrepreneurs. As a consequence, there is a need to build a reliable network structure and to strengthen the relationship with the government and other partners:

oTo encourage the private sector to promote local development

oTo create a space for exchange of experiences among migrant entrepreneurs and to design actions in support to the development of Cape Verde

oTo strengthen ties with Cape Verde





Study visit of Mali to Senegal: Diaspora entrepreneurship drives innovation

The Malian delegation learnt about the administrative and financial structures that support diaspora associations investing in Senegal, transferring their skills and know-how and implementing local development projects

In addition, concrete examples on how the diaspora investment promoted private sector development were shared



Thank you very much for your attention!

Muito obrigado!

Merci beaucoup!