REPORT OF THE SECOND TECHNICAL WORKING GROUPS
ON THE REVIEW AND VALIDATION OF MONITORING AND
EVALUATION TOOLS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
DRAFT
LABOUR MIGRATION POLICY

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Preamble

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) in collaboration with the Federal Ministry of Labour and Productivity (FMLP) held a one-day follow-up workshop on 19 May 2014 to further review, consolidate contributions from the Technical Working Groups members and validate the monitoring and evaluation tools for the implementation of the Labour Migration Policy. The meeting was organized under the framework of the European Union funded National 10th EDF project “Promoting Better Management of Migration in Nigeria”. Twenty-four (24) participants (10 female and 14 male) attended the meeting.

Preliminary Sessions

The workshop commenced by 10.00 a.m. with the self-introduction of Technical Working Groups members on Labour Migration. Ms. Lily Sanya, representing the Chief of Mission welcomed all participants. She noted that the first meeting on presentation of the tools was convened on 17 April 2014 and the objective of the meeting was not realized as some participants felt the need to review the tools before tendering their remarks. Thus, a second meeting is reconvened today. She emphasized that the instruments developed will strengthen the Federal Ministry of Labour and Productivity’s institutional mechanism to interface with stakeholders for strategic control and accountability. She concluded by expressing her appreciation to the Federal Government of Nigeria and the European Union for providing the needed framework to implement the project.

Mr. Emmanuel Igbinosun who represented the Director Department of Employment and Wages, FMLP commended IOM in supporting the ministry to reconvene the validation meeting. He provided an update on the status of adoption of the Labour Migration Policy by noting the Honourable Minister of Labour and Productivity’s commitment to accelerate the process of presenting the Policy to the Federal executive Council for approval. He noted that the objective of having the Policy adopted is founded on the premise that labour migration, if properly managed has the potential to serve as an engine of growth and development for all parties involved. Mr. Igbinosun noted that the validation of the monitoring and evaluation tools is crucial for tracking the progress of Policy implementation upon adoption. He concluded by welcoming the new Chief of Mission to Nigeria and expressed his appreciation to IOM for its technical support to the ministry.

Setting the Context

The IOM Labour Migration officer seconded to the Federal Ministry of Labour and Productivity presented the background, overall objectives, project achievements and an update on the progress of implementation of the labour migration component. She concluded by presenting the objective of the session, which is to consolidate the contributions from participants and validate the monitoring, evaluation and reporting tools through a communiqué at the end of the workshop.

Presentation of the Monitoring and Evaluation Tools

The expert presented the comments and inputs received from stakeholders on the tools circulated to all members. He also enlightened the stakeholders more on the tools stating that the overall aim is to ensure the indicators are SMART. The indicators must be necessary and sufficient to each goal. There is also need to establish a causality linkage between the indicators, expected outcomes and the specific objectives associated with each of the three policy goals.
Participants extensively reviewed the three policy goals, the indicator matrix, and the scoreboard for each objective of the policy. The institutional responsibilities for each stakeholder in the implementation of the Labour Migration Policy were collectively agreed. The tools presented were validated through a communiqué signed by participants.

In addition, participants observed some objectives have similar indicators and recommended that the ‘Specific Objectives’ of the three goals of the Policy should be streamlined to avoid duplication of indicators during a future review of the Action Plan. The ‘Expected Outcome’ of Goal 2 – Protection and Migrant Workers and their Families should also be reviewed to cover migrant workers abroad and the corresponding indicators should be reflected.

*Annex A: Attendance List*

*Annex B: Copy of the Communiqué signed by the Technical Working Group*