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## “Towards a Holistic Approach to Labour Migration Governance and Labour Mobility in North Africa” (THAMM) Programme in Egypt

### A Capitalization, Results and Perspectives Ceremony

Wednesday 11 October 2023

10:00 AM – 03:00 PM

Cairo, Egypt

Saint Regis, New Administrative Capital

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### Background

Funded by the European Union (EU) through the “Emergency Trust Fund for Stability and Addressing the Root Causes of Irregular Migration and Displaced Persons in Africa,” and co-funded by the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), the “Towards a Holistic Approach to Labour Migration Governance and Labour Mobility in North Africa” (THAMM) has been implemented in Egypt since its launch date in October 2020, by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

Adopting a holistic approach to labour migration governance and labour mobility in North Africa is essential to maximize the benefits of labour migration and mobility for countries of origin (CoOs) and destination (CoDs) as well as migrant workers and their families. Accordingly, the THAMM regional programme was designed with the main objective to foster mutually beneficial legal migration and mobility for Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia. The programme addresses both the South-South dimension of labour migration and mobility through regional dialogue and cooperation, as well as mobility aspects from North African countries to Europe.

THAMM has aimed to enhance the **governance of labour migration and the protection of migrant workers in North of Africa** by supporting the development and implementation of coherent and comprehensive policy frameworks guided by relevant human rights and labour standards and based on reliable data and evidence, which are essential for fair and effective labour migration governance and decent work, in addition to contributing to developing **legal migration and mobility schemes** in cooperation with targeted countries and EU Member States (MS), in particular Germany.

The THAMM Programme is aligned to existing policy frameworks at the global level such as: the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly, and Regular Migration (GCM), as well as on the regional level such as the African Union Migration Policy Framework Plan of Action 2018-2030. The programme also factored in preliminary consultations with relevant stakeholders conducted in the preparation phase.

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The Overall Objective of the programme has been to foster mutually beneficial legal migration and mobility and through the following specific objectives as contextualized to Egypt:

- **SO1:** Providing technical support to existing national frameworks in the field of migration and mobility, according to the needs and priorities of the National Government (implemented by ILO/IOM);
- **SO2:** Improvement of mechanisms for assessment, certification, validation and recognition of migrants' skills and qualifications (implemented by ILO/IOM);
- **SO3:** Improvement of migration related knowledge and data management in the field of legal migration and mobility (implemented by ILO/IOM);
- **SO4:** Establishing/improving mobility schemes; (implemented by GIZ);
- **SO5:** Improved cooperation between relevant stakeholders in the field of legal migration and mobility, in particular job placement (implemented by ILO, IOM and GIZ).

### THAMM Programme's Governance structure

The Programme has been implemented on different levels of steering and coordination, as follows:

- A level of overall steering and monitoring consisting of a Programme Steering Committee (PSC) between the donors and implementing agencies, which meet at the regional level only;
- Two coordination bodies at the country level consisting of a Political Coordination Committee (PCC) headed by the Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA), and a Technical Coordination Committee (TCC) headed by the Egyptian Ministry of State for Emigration and Egyptian Expatriates' Affairs (MoSEEEA)
- A Programme Coordination Unit (PCU) which is a inter-agency coordination structure between ILO, IOM and GIZ to coordinate and synergise their efforts towards the programme at the country level.

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### Objective of the Ceremony

On the occasion of the closure of the ILO/IOM and GIZ Actions of the THAMM Programme in Egypt, the capitalization ceremony will serve as a space, bringing together all THAMM Egypt partners and stakeholders to reflect and capitalise on the programme's outcomes, to celebrate achievements and to look with an enriched perspective to the future of labour mobility in Egypt.

### Date and Venue

The capitalization ceremony shall take place on Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> of October 2023 starting 10:00 AM (Cairo Time) at the Saint Regis Hotel – Turquoise Hall, New Administrative Capital, Cairo, Egypt.

Shuttle buses will be available at 08:30 AM at Mostafa Zahra Street in Nasr City. For those wishing to register for the bus, please contact [mmostafa@iom.int](mailto:mmostafa@iom.int), no later than 08 October 2023.

### Event Flow

The ceremony is designed to engage participants in a journey-like format. It will start with opening remarks by the Government of Egypt (GoE), the donors and the three implementing agencies. Afterwards, sessions will be delivered along the following three themes:

1. Capitalisation: **Where did we come from?** Baseline, methodological options, knowledge products, learning and practices developed since the beginning of the programme in Egypt.
2. Results: **What has been achieved?** Key achievements focusing on the results obtained and impact created through the THAMM programme in Egypt.
3. Perspectives: **Where are we headed?** What should be taken into consideration when continuing our work on labour mobility in Egypt? What are important emerging themes relating to labour mobility?

Finally, after the closing remarks, participants will be invited to a lunch reception to celebrate the end of this phase of the THAMM Programme.

Throughout the ceremony there shall be EN-AR interpretation available.

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### Provisional agenda:

Time	Session
10:00 – 10:30	<b>Registration &amp; Coffee</b>
10:30 – 11:10	<p><b>Opening remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Government of Egypt:</u> <i>Ambassador Neveen El-Husseiny, Deputy Assistant Minister for Migration, Refugees and Combatting Human Trafficking Ministry of Foreign Affairs</i></li> <li>- <u>European Union and German Embassy:</u> <i>Ambassador Christian Berger, Head of the European Union Delegation to Egypt</i> <i>Ambassador Frank Hartmann, Ambassador of the German Federal Republic in Egypt</i></li> <li>- <u>Implementing Agencies (IAs):</u> <i>Mr. Eric Oechslin, Director of the Decent Work Team for North Africa and Country Director for Egypt and Eritrea, International Labour Organization (ILO)</i> <i>Mr. Carlos Oliver, Chief of Mission, International Organization for Migration (IOM)</i> <i>Dr. Alexander Solyga, Country Director, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)</i></li> </ul>
11:10- 11:20	<b>Group Picture</b>
11:20 – 12:10	<p><b>Capitalisation</b> <i>Presentation and Open Discussion</i></p> <p>Moderated by: Implementing Agencies ILO, IOM and GIZ</p>
12:10 – 12:40	<p><b>Results</b> <i>Videos</i></p> <p>Highlights of key achievements and success stories</p>

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12:40 - 13:00	<b>Break</b>
13:00 – 13:45	<p><b>Perspectives</b> <i>Panel Discussion</i></p> <p>Moderated by: Representative from IAs</p> <p>Panelists: <i>Representatives from GoE, and Donors</i></p>
13:45 – 14:15	<p><b>Closing remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Representative from Ministry of State for Emigration and Egyptian Expatriates' Affairs</li> <li>- Representative from European Union</li> <li>- Representative from Message from the IAs</li> </ul>
14:15	<b>Lunch Reception</b>

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