FEATURED RESOURCES

The IOM World Migration Report 2011 is now available. The report presents available evidence on public perceptions and attitudes regarding migration globally and analyses the way in which they are shaped and how they can influence and be influenced by policy as well as the media.

The UNODC In-depth training manual on investigating and prosecuting the smuggling of migrants is the product of criminal justice expertise gathered from around the world.

To find more resources on migration, go to AP-MAGNET

INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS DAY 2011

As you all know, December 18 is the international migrants day, and across the globe we have been celebrating this occasion. But why is it on December 18?

On 4 December 2000, the UN General Assembly, taking into account the large and increasing number of migrants in the world, proclaimed 18 December as International Migrants Day. On 18 December 1990, the General Assembly had adopted the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families. (Source—UN.ORG)

Read the message from Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on the occasion of international migrants day HERE

Listen to an interview with François Crépeau, the new UN Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants by clicking HERE.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

We would like to wish all our members a Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

We will continue our improvements and work on the AP-MagNet portal in 2012 and we would like to encourage you to send your comments, suggestions and thoughts to us at bkk.ap-magnet@ilo.org.

DISCUSSION FORUM ON RETURN AND REINTEGRATION

The third MagNet online discussion forum took place on the MagNet portal in November/December and we would like to thank you for your contributions and thoughts on the topic Return and Reintegration. We would also like to thank Maria Gallotti who moderated the forum and provided important insights and comments. You can find the thread HERE. Go to ILO to find more information on our work on Return and Reintegration of migrants in Asia.

UPCOMING EVENTS

⇒ Round Table Discussion on Sharing of Good Practices on Local-/Community-Level Mechanisms to Protect and Promote the Rights and Welfare of Migrant Workers in Thailand and the Philippines, January 11, 2012.

To add an event go to AP-MagNet

15th ASIA PACIFIC REGIONAL MEETING

The Meeting considered the challenges of realizing decent work across Asia and the Pacific. Here are some resources from the 15th APRM that took place in Japan in the beginning of December;

◊ Conclusions of the 15th Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting
◊ Report of the ILO Director-General
◊ Thematic panel III: Rights at work and social dialogue

NEWS IN THE WORLD OF MIGRATION

⇒ Allvoices reported that hundreds of migrants are feared drowned after a boat sank in Indonesia in December.
⇒ Daily news—a newspaper from Sri Lanka—reports how Lankan migrant worker sustains the economy in an interview with the Minister for Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare, Dilan Perera.
⇒ The ILO Country Office for the Philippines EU-supported Return and Reintegration Project, has partnered with the local government of La Union Province and other sectors which has produced the Philippines’ first-ever Migration and Development Strategic Plan.
⇒ The People’s Saarc Memorandum issued on the occasion of the 17th Saarc Summit by the civil society of South Asia has been discussed by local labour leaders.

For more and updated news go to the News section on AP-MagNet

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