



## Research Project Sustainable Labour Migration



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In December 2018, after 18 months of consultations, negotiations, and public debate, 163 states adopted the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM). Among others, the GCM aims to present a framework for comprehensive international cooperation on migrants and human mobility. Global Skill Partnerships are one very specific policy idea included in this landmark agreement. Against this backdrop, our Department for Social Policy and Social Security will conduct a one-year research project on **sustainable and socially acceptable labour migration management** with country case studies on transnational partnerships between **Germany and Georgia, Kosovo and Vietnam**.

The project has five key components:

1. A **Desk Review Study** will apply a systematic literature review with focus on stock taking of sustainable labour migration concepts, terminologies, and emerging trends in the international discourse. The study will provide the methodological framework and instruments for the country case studies.
2. The **Country Case Studies** will collect empirical data on stakeholder perceptions and emerging models with potential for improving sustainability, social acceptance and equitable sharing of cost and benefits of managed labour migration amongst individual migrants, societies, and other participating stakeholders.
3. A **Review and Reflection of Indices** and available dashboards measuring migration governance and impact of migration for sustainable development will identify possible gaps and areas for potential improvement, along with recommendations for further development.
4. A **Conceptual Framework for Capacity Development** of stakeholders in line with the findings and recommendation from the research will be proposed, and a training module on fair / ethical recruitment piloted with concerned stakeholders in the partner countries.
5. The **Final Conference** – currently scheduled for 23 to 25 March 2022 - will gather academics and practitioners in Sankt Augustin at the Hochschule Bonn-Rhein-Sieg to engage in knowledge sharing, debate and reflection of the findings and recommendations of the research project.

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