



## Knowledge Platform Migration Governance for Africa

### **Webinar: COVID-19 implication on migration governance - The Case of Ghana**

#### **Background**

The Covid-19 pandemic is affecting all the countries in the globe in many negative ways in so many areas. The pandemic poses economic, social, and human tolls on all the countries, although the experience differs depending on the continent a country is located in. The challenges of responding to the impact of the pandemic is also felt in the realm of migration as many governments closed their borders to limit migrants coming in from outside. Similarly, in some countries, a rise of hostility and xenophobia towards migrants was observed since the outbreak of the pandemic. This webinar will examine the implication of the pandemic on migration governance in the case of Ghana. Even before the Covid-19 outbreak, as our webinar last year that focused on ECOWAS highlighted, there were sporadic flare ups and tensions directed towards migrants in Ghana. Cases were cited in which Nigerian migrants in the country often faced sporadic hostilities from local communities as well as local administrations in some instances.

The webinar will particularly reflect on the current state of migration governance in Ghana in terms of policy and practical implications stemming from the pandemic. It will also examine how the pandemic affected policy processes set by the government to achieve the development goals of the Global Migration Compact (GCM) in the short, medium, and long terms. The webinar will be concluded by highlighting general lessons learned from the implication of the pandemic on migration governance in the case of Ghana.

#### **Date & Location**

The webinar will be held virtually on Zoom on **Tuesday, February 23, 11:00-12:30 (CET)**

#### **Speaker**

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#### **Moderator**

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