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MEDIA ADVISORY

Launching of the study on Return, Readmission and Reintegration Programmes in Africa

INVITATION FOR MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES

What: Launching of the study on Return, Readmission and Reintegration (RRR) Programmes in Africa

Keynote speakers (high-level opening):

- H.E. Amira EL FADIL, AU Commissioner for Health, Humanitarian Affairs and Social Development, African Union (AU)
- Ms. Ylva JOHANSSON, EU Commissioner for Home Affairs, European Union (EU)
- Mr. Michael SPINDELEGGER, Director General, International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD)

When: Wednesday 23 June 2021 – 3:00 pm (EAT)/2:00 pm (CET)

Who: Organized by the African Union Commission, the European Union (EU) and the International Center for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD)

Where: Virtual Event on Zoom. Please register in advance for this webinar using the below link: https://icmpd.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Tx54WWR1QeWd3ZQXozo2kw

Why:

The study on RRR Programmes in Africa was carried out between June 2020 and February 2021 within the framework of the AU-EU Continent-to-Continent Migration and Mobility Dialogue (C2CMMD). It was commissioned by the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) to Samuel Hall Ltd., on behalf of the African Union (AU) and the European Union (EU). The RRR study seeks to answer the following question: “What are key cohesive principles and approaches that can be applied by African Union Member States to ensure migrants’ sustainable return, re-admission, and reintegration?”. The research covered all five sub-regions of Africa, with nine AU Member States represented (Morocco, Egypt, Sudan, Guinea, Nigeria, Cameroon, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Malawi and Mauritius). The virtual launch event aims at sharing the key outcomes

from the study, namely success factors as well as recommendations for sustainable reintegration in Africa.

Journalists are invited to cover the opening session of the launching ceremony on 23rd June 2021 using provided zoom link above.

Hashtags: #RRR, #C2CMMD

About the African Union:

The African Union spearheads Africa's development and integration in close collaboration with African Union Member States, the Regional Economic Communities and African citizens. The AU Vision is to accelerate progress towards an integrated, prosperous and inclusive Africa, at peace with itself, playing a dynamic role in the continental and global arena, effectively driven by an accountable, efficient and responsive Commission.

Learn more @ <http://www.au.int/en>

About the European Union:

At the core of the EU are the 27 Member States that belong to the Union, and their citizens. The unique feature of the EU is that, although the Member States all remain sovereign and independent states, they have decided to pool some of their 'sovereignty' in areas where it makes sense to work together. In practice, this means that the Member States delegate some of their decision-making powers to the shared institutions they have created, so that decisions on specific matters of common interest can be made democratically at EU level.

Learn more @ https://europa.eu/european-union/index_en

About the International Centre for Migration Policy Development:

The ICMPD is an international organisation with 18 Member States and active in more than 90 countries worldwide. It takes a regional approach in its work to create efficient cooperation and partnerships along migration routes. Priority regions include Africa, Central and South Asia, Europe and the Middle East. Its three-pillar approach to migration management – structurally linking research, migration dialogues and capacity building – contributes to better migration policy development worldwide.

Learn more @ <https://www.icmpd.org/>

About the AU-EU Continent-to-Continent Migration and Mobility Dialogue (C2CMMD)

C2CMMD, bringing together strategic stakeholders from the AU and the EU, provides a platform for political and policy dialogue, consultation, coordination, sharing of information and experiences on those topics and issues of joint and common interest, which are of a continental dimension, thus going beyond the geographic and thematic scope of existing bilateral and regional dialogues.

Learn more @ <https://africa-eu-partnership.org/en/projects/support-africa-eu-migration-and-mobility-dialogue>

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