

B. ACHIEVEMENTS RELATED TO GOVERNANCE

In the area of migration governance, ISIM undertook the following:

- Organized a major symposium in October 2007 at Georgetown University's Law Center to examine the role international human rights might play in strengthening the domestic protection of the rights of non-nationals.
- Provided expert support to the Global Forum on Migration and Development by: (a) moderating the session on the Civil Society Day at the Brussels Global Forum in 2007; (b) organizing a preparatory experts' meeting to discuss background papers prepared for the Manila Global Forum in 2008; (c) preparing background papers on policy coherence, rights of migrants and irregular migration for the Civil Society Days of the Manila Global Forum; (d) preparing a background paper on policy coherence for the Manila Global Forum; (e) participating in the Civil Society Days and the Global Forum in Manila, Philippines, and (f) serving as Rapporteur for Session 3.2 on Policy and Institutional Coherence on Migration and Development within Government at the Global Forum in Manila, Philippines on 27 October 2008.
- Presented the research agenda stemming from the Global Forum at a symposium organized by the Center for Migration Studies and the International Organization for Migration.
- Published a paper on global governance issues in the Proceedings of the 101st Annual Meeting of the American Society of International Law.
- Participated in three major projects on global governance organized by the University of Toronto and the International Organization for Migration (with Mr. Randall Hanson and Mr. Jobst Koehler), Oxford University (with Mr. Alexander Betts) and the University of Albany (with Mr. Rey Koslowski).

C. ONGOING AND PLANNED ACTIVITIES ON MIGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT

- Migration from Mexico to the United States. ISIM plans to continue its partnership to conduct binational research on migration between Mexico and the United States with three partner institutions in Mexico: Universidad Iberoamericana, Centro de Investigaciones y Estudios Superiores en Antropología Social (CIESAS) and Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE). Having just published the book *Mexico–U.S. Migration Management: A Binational Approach* (Escobar Latapí and Martin, 2008), ISIM will update the data and analysis on migration patterns, characteristics and impacts on both countries with annual meetings and shorter publications.
- Migration in the Caribbean and Central America. ISIM expects to continue its research and disseminate the findings of previous research on the impact of migration on countries in the Caribbean. Future research will focus on the impact of remittances and transnational communities on Haiti.
- Migration and India. ISIM is advancing its research in India by establishing working relationships with Indian academic institutions, including the Research Programme on International Migration at Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), the Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), the American Institute of Indian Studies in New Delhi (AIIS), the Centre for the Study of Developing

- Societies (CSDS) and the Calcutta Research Group. Meetings are scheduled with each of these institutions in December 2008. ISIM seeks to advance current research on the impact migration from India has had on economic and political institutions in both India and receiving countries.
- Child labour and migration from developing countries. ISIM is designing a project on the effects of development initiatives, including educational programmes, to reduce child labour, particularly those that result in irregular migration and human trafficking.
- Remittances. ISIM plans to continue its work on the role of remittances in war-torn countries, disaster-prone regions and fragile states. ISIM proposes to continue to serve as Secretariat to the Remittances in Conflict and Crisis Consortium. Research by ISIM in this area focuses on the Americas, including Haiti (as described above). Following the example of Haiti, ISIM plans to investigate the extent to which remittances are used in restoring homes and livelihoods after disasters in other countries in the region.
- Mobility of highly-skilled migrants. ISIM has been undertaking a multi-site study to examine migration of health care workers from Jamaica, the Philippines and Poland to Canada, Ireland, the United Kingdom and the United States. The study has examined patterns of recruitment and the networks through which health professionals and social care workers migrate. The work of ISIM on the international mobility of scientists and engineers, with particular focus on information technology, points to the importance of the linkages established between migrants and home country institutions and businesses.
- ISIM also plans to finalize research, undertaken in conjunction with students at the law center, dealing with the effects of United States and Central American anti-gang initiatives on international migration, return, reintegration and human rights.

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will continue to monitor, assess and analyse the impact of the Global Forum on the migration debate and on developing policies aimed at improving migration management. Third, ISIM will bring the Global Forum discussions to a broader audience through the participation of its faculty and staff in other relevant forums. For example, Dean Alexander Aleinikoff from Georgetown University Law Center chairs, and Susan Martin is a member of the Commission on International Migration convened by the World Economic Forum. The first in-person meeting of the Commission was held in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, in November 2008 and its deliberations will continue into 2009. ISIM will also help ensure the dissemination of the Global Forum background papers and reports through *International Migration*.

Further, ISIM will continue its work on national-level governance of migration. Responsibility for managing migration rests primarily with nation-states. Regardless of what types of regional or global governance systems are likely to develop, the national level will continue to be the most important one in managing movements of people. Since a new administration is taking office in the United States, ISIM will pay particular attention to United States policies on international migration as defined by the new administration.

NOTES

¹ ISIM currently pursues research in five areas, two of which focus on migration and development and governance of international migration. The other three research areas not discussed in this review include: forced migration and humanitarian emergencies, integration of immigrants and immigration law and policy.

² For the report, see <http://www.gcim.org/en/finalreport.html> (accessed 25 February 2009).

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