

DISCUSSION AND VALIDATION WORKSHOP

LABOUR MARKETS PERFORMANCE AND MIGRATION FLOWS IN ARAB MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES: DETERMINANTS AND EFFECTS

Study

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Grand Hotel Vittoria, sala Rubino
Viale Baccelli, 2
Montecatini Terme

PROGRAMME

Montecatini Terme, 26 - 27 March 2009

Wednesday 25 March

	Arrival of the participants
18.00	Keynote Speech by Olivier Roy in the framework of the 10th Mediterranean Research Meeting: <i>The Mediterranean Sea: Bridge or Rift? The Danger of Metaphors in Political Thinking</i>
20.00	Drink followed by dinner

Objectives of the workshop

- > To discuss and improve national and thematic background papers
- > To compare national evidence on labour markets performance and migration flows and discuss elements for the regional study
- > To explore and discuss policy recommendations for the final study

Thursday 26 March

09.00 – 09.30	Welcome by Philippe Fargues (Migration Programme Director, RSCAS, and Scientific Director of the Study) and presentation of participants
09.30 – 09.45	<i>Objectives and rationale of the Study</i> by Inmaculada Montero-Luque , DG ECOFIN, European Commission
09.45 – 10.00	<i>Objectives and functioning of the workshop</i> by Iván Martín , Scientific Coordinator of the Study
10.00 – 10.45	<i>Survey of Literature on Labour Markets Performance and Migration Flows in Arab Mediterranean Countries (AMC)</i> , by Iván Martín . Presentation and discussion of issues and research gaps
10.45 – 11.00	Coffee break



11.00 – 11.45	Country background paper: Morocco , by Larabi Jaidi Presentation and discussion
11.45 – 12.30	Country background paper: Tunisia , by Azzam Mahjoub Presentation and discussion
12.30 – 14.30	Lunch
14.30 – 15.15	Country background paper: Algeria , by Fatiha Talahite & Rafik Bouklia Presentation and discussion
15.15 – 16.00	Country background paper: Syria , by Samir Aita Presentation and discussion
16.00 – 16.30	Coffee break
16.30-17.15	Country background paper: Egypt , by Jackline Wahba Presentation and discussion
17.15 – 18.00	Country background paper: Palestine , by Mustafa Khawaja Presentation and discussion
20.30	Dinner

Friday 27 March

09.00 – 09.45	Country background paper: Lebanon , by Nader Kabbane on behalf of the author, Jad Chaaban Presentation and discussion
09.45 – 10.30	Country background paper: Jordan , by Ibrahim Saif Presentation and discussion
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 – 11.45	Emerging Demographic Patterns across the Mediterranean and their Implications for Migration , by Philippe Fargues Presentation and discussion
11.45 – 12.30	Background paper on EU migration Policy's Impact on AMC Labour Markets , by Alessandra Venturini, Tamirace Fakhoury and Nathalie Jouant Presentation and discussion
12.30 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 14.45	Elements for a comparative regional analysis on Labour Markets Performance and Migration Flows in Arab Mediterranean Countries Bullet-point presentation by Iván Martín and discussion
14.45 – 15.15	Group discussion on the Impact of Outward Migration Flows on AMC Labour Markets
15.15 – 15.30	Coffee break
15.30 – 16.15	A set of policy recommendations for the AMCs and the EU? Bullet-point presentation by Iván Martín and discussion
16.15 – 16.30	Schedule, Study follow-up and closure
20.30	Dinner followed by the "Mediterranean Party"