

GLOBAL MIGRATION & HUMAN MOBILITY

MacArthur seeks to foster systematic improvement in the lives of migrants worldwide through support for improved governance of international migration and research on the relationship between migration and economic development.



AT A GLANCE

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- Following the events of September 11, 2001, migration was increasingly viewed through the lens of security concerns, and the human rights of migrants often suffered. At the same time, research increasingly showed the positive potential economic impacts of migration.
- Each year, MacArthur provides more than \$5 million in grants to research institutions, nongovernmental organizations, government agencies, and intergovernmental organizations engaged in research, policy, and practice dedicated to improving the lives of migrants.
- MacArthur has been the largest nongovernmental donor to the Global Forum on Migration and Development, which is an annual gathering of more than 140 governments aimed at encouraging international cooperation to increase the benefits of migration.

BACKGROUND

Economic globalization has dramatically increased the rate of migration around the world. This phenomenon, while clearly important, is not well understood, analyzed, or regulated. The movement of goods and capital is governed by international agreements; the movement of people, largely, is not. In the early 2000s, migration caused controversy and concern world-wide. Large-scale immigration to the United States (from Mexico) and to Europe (from Muslim and African nations) fueled a popular backlash. Regional conflicts produced high numbers of refugees and displaced persons. Following the events of September 11, 2001, migration was increasingly viewed through the lens of security concerns, and the human rights of migrants often suffered. At the same time, research increasingly showed the positive potential economic impacts of migration.

The international community began to react. In 2005, the UN Global Commission on International Migration called for more international cooperation to improve the condition of migrants and to help sending and receiving countries capture the economic benefits of migration; this led to the creation of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD). Active networks of research institutions and nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) — including migrant-led groups — have worked to place migration at the center of policymaking attention around the world, and are working to protect migrant rights and counter one-sided, negative stereotypes of immigrants and immigration.

WHAT WE FUND

MacArthur launched its Initiative on Global Migration and Human Mobility in 2006. Each year, MacArthur provides more than \$5 million in grants to research institutions, NGOs, government agencies and inter-governmental organizations engaged in research, policy, and practice dedicated to improving the lives of migrants.

Building on previous traditions of MacArthur Foundation support for migration and refugee issues, the Foundation funds a



broad range of research and policy analysis projects. MacArthur helped support the work of the Global Commission and has been the largest nongovernmental donor to the GFMD, which is an annual gathering of more than 140 governments — with an associated civil society meeting — aimed at encouraging international cooperation and information exchange that can increase the benefits of migration for countries of origin and destination as well as for migrants themselves.

At the global level, in addition to the GFMD, MacArthur has helped support the flagship *World Migration Report* published by the International Organization for Migration (IOM), an IOM assessment of the regional consultative processes for intergovernmental cooperation on migration and refugee issues, as well as a Global Code of Practice on the International Recruitment of Health Personnel adopted by the World Health Organization. MacArthur funded a Commission on International Migration Data for Development Research and Policy, which has produced a widely-disseminated set of recommendations for producing better migration data. MacArthur has also supported the development of a Voluntary Code of Ethical Conduct for the Recruitment of Foreign-Educated Nurses to the United States.

A revised strategy for MacArthur's grantmaking in this field is expected in the first half of 2011.

REPRESENTATIVE GRANTS

Institutional Support

CENTER FOR GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT
Washington, D.C.

\$1,500,000 for general support to advance research and policy development on the impacts of migration on development and on helping poor countries attain the benefits of globalization.

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY,
INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF
INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION
Washington, D.C.

\$1,050,000 for continued general operating support that will advance its work on the governance of international migration and on the relationship between migration and development.

MIGRATION POLICY INSTITUTE
Washington, D.C.

\$1,600,000 for its program on Migrants, Migration and Development.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY
Princeton, New Jersey

\$750,000 for research on migration and development and the Latin American Migration Project.

Governance

BUSINESS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
EDUCATION FUND
San Francisco, CA
\$400,000 in renewed support of a project to advance responsible business practices in relation to international migration.

FUNDACIÓN BBVA BANCOMER, A.C.
Mexico City, Mexico
\$250,000 in support of the Civil Society Days for the fourth Global Forum on Migration and Development.

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR
ORGANISATION
Geneva, Switzerland
\$50,000 in support of a survey of migrant workers in Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION
FOR MIGRATION
Geneva, Switzerland
\$150,000 in support of the World Migration Report 2010.

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS,
UNITED MEXICAN STATES
Mexico City, Mexico
\$136,000 in support of the fourth Global Forum on Migration and Development.

ROCKEFELLER COLLEGE OF PUBLIC
AFFAIRS AT THE UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY
Albany, New York
\$200,000 in support of a study of global mobility regimes.

ROSTROS Y VOCES FDS, A.C.
Mexico City, Mexico
\$250,000 in support of a project to integrate development concerns into the migration policy community in Mexico, strengthen civil society input into global migration discussions, and protect the rights of migrants on Mexico's southern border.

SIN FRONTERAS
Mexico City, Mexico
\$300,000 to improve regional governance of migration in Mexico and Central America and to support advocacy,

strategic litigation, and capacity building to protect migrants' human rights.

UNITED NATIONS DEPARTMENT OF
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS
New York, New York
\$237,000 in support of the fourth and fifth meetings of the Global Forum on Migration and Development.

UNITED NATIONS INSTITUTE FOR
TRAINING AND RESEARCH
New York, New York
\$185,000 in renewed support of a workshop series on migration and development and a course on international migration law (over two years). (2008)

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
Los Angeles, California
\$100,000 in support of research on the integration of migrants in the United States.

WASHINGTON OFFICE ON
LATIN AMERICA
Washington, DC
\$52,000 in support of an effort to promote bilateral U.S.-Mexico dialogue on the connection between migration and development.

WOODROW WILSON CENTER,
LATIN AMERICAN PROGRAM
Washington, D.C.
\$300,000 in support of an effort to promote bilateral dialogue among government representatives, policy experts and migrant leaders on U.S.-Mexico migration issues.

Development

ACADEMY HEALTH
Washington, D.C.
\$552,000 in support of efforts to implement a Voluntary Code of Practice for the recruitment of foreign trained nurses to the United States.

AFRICAN DIASPORA POLICY CENTRE
Amsterdam, Netherlands
\$185,000 in support of capacity building for African officials responsible for working with the diaspora to promote better treatment of migrants and economic development.



ASPEN INSTITUTE, REALIZING RIGHTS:
THE ETHICAL GLOBALIZATION INITIATIVE
Washington, D.C.

\$300,000 to help develop, promote, and monitor a Global Code of Practice for the international movement of health workers.

CENTER FOR STRATEGIC AND
INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
Washington, DC

\$200,000 to involve immigrant leaders in policy dialogue on migration and development in the U.S. and Mexico.

CENTRO DE INVESTIGACION Y
DOCENCIA ECONOMICAS
Mexico City, Mexico

\$23,000 in support of an evaluation of Mexico's 3x1 Remittance Matching Program for Migrants and an assessment of its applicability as a development strategy for other sending countries.

CENTRO DE INVESTIGACIONES Y
ESTUDIOS SUPERIORES EN
ANTROPOLOGIA SOCIAL
Mexico City, Mexico

\$230,000 to analyze the impacts of Mexican social policy on emigration and a binational dialogue on migration among experts and public officials from the U.S. and Mexico.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, CENTER FOR
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Cambridge, MA

\$396,000 to support research on the impacts of skilled diasporas in fostering international capital flows.

INSTITUTO DE ESTUDIOS Y
DIVULGACIÓN SOBRE MIGRACION, A.C.
Mexico City, Mexico

\$225,000 for a study to assess recruitment mechanisms and access to social protection benefits for temporary migrant workers in the U.S., Canada, Mexico and Central America.

MIGRATION DIALOGUE
Davis, California

\$375,000 to research the development impacts of guest worker programs and the interrelationships among farm policies, migration, and development.

NATIONAL ALLIANCE OF LATIN
AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN
COMMUNITIES

Chicago, Illinois

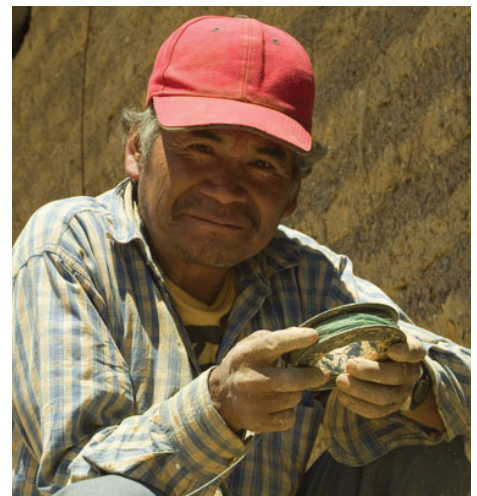
\$400,000 to involve immigrant leaders in policy dialogue on migration and development in the U.S. and Mexico.

ORGANISATION FOR ECONOMIC
CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT
Paris, France

\$200,000 in support of a first phase of work to develop a harmonized labor force and migration database based on labor force surveys from OECD countries.

RED INTERNACIONAL DE MIGRACION Y
DESARROLLO
Zacatecas, Mexico

\$350,000 in support of the network and its collaborative research efforts on migration and development.



SIN FRONTERAS I.A.P.

Mexico City, Mexico

\$300,000 to improve regional governance of migration in Mexico and Central America and to support advocacy, strategic litigation, and capacity building to protect migrants' human rights.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

\$366,000 to support research and policy efforts on the impacts of diasporas in reforming institutions in their home countries.

WELLESLEY COLLEGE
Wellesley, Massachusetts

\$300,000 to support research on the impact of diasporas on reforming institutions in India and China.

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