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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

By presenting this Annual Report 2021 of the Scalabrini Institute for Human Mobility in Africa, we deliver our own work and mission into the hands of those who read it.

In these pages you will find numbers, ideas and concepts, but also and above all people with their intricate stories, families that separate and reunite, nations made of cultures and history that make the various graphs and articles alive and real, that give flesh and blood to an apparently dry and impersonal work. There is a whole continent that finds in human mobility one of its main drivers, a formidable vehicle of exchange but also a source of danger and vulnerability, sometimes an opportunity for growth and fulfilment, other times a trap of disenchantment and pain.

In portraying this movement, in trying to fix it on paper or virtual pages, we carry out our task as researchers, storytellers, enthusiasts of pilgrim humanity. The challenge is to recount it with scientific objectivity and rigorous method, without losing that passion for man and his dignity, for justice and the rights of the invisible or unheard, which distinguishes the Scalabrinian organisations in the world.

And here in Africa in particular, this work sometimes clashes with the fatigue of collecting and sharing data, of drawing up exhaustive frameworks, of chasing a reality that is always on the move, like migrants themselves. But it also has the flavour of a young and dynamic land, enthusiastic and stubborn in launching itself into new challenges, struggling but determined in facing its structural weaknesses.

This Africa on the move, this vast array of men, women and minors travelling through it in search of a destination or a goal to be achieved, fills the pages of this Report that bears witness to the vastness and complexity of the work and research of our institute and the avenues that still remain to be explored and verified.

We are always driven by the desire to understand and interpret human mobility, putting ourselves at the service of those who, along the way, get left behind or injured and ask for support to get back on the road.

Filippo Ferraro, SIHMA Executive Director

SIHMA ORGANISATION

OUR VISION

An Africa where the human rights of people on the move are ensured, and their dignity is promoted.

OUR MISSION

To conduct and disseminate research that contributes to the understanding of human mobility and informs policies that ensure the rights and dignity of migrants, asylum seekers and refugees in Africa.

For our presence and work, according to the official documents of the Congregation, we claim:

specificity: focused on our specific mission, that is serving migrants, refugees, seafarers and people on the move

significancy: committed to a ministry and service that is relevant and able to be a seed of newness in the Church and in society

exemplarity: to be testimonials of our charism, so that others can be inspired to continue our service after us

SCALABRINI, SERVING PEOPLE ON THE MOVE

Founded in 2014, the Scalabrini Institute for Human Mobility in Africa (SIHMA) is a research institute and non-profit organisation advocating for the rights of migrants and refugees.

Blessed John Baptist Scalabrini founded in 1887, the Missionaries of St. Charles (Scalabrinians), a Congregation of the Catholic Church devoted to the care of migrants, refugees, seafarers and people on the move.

It was the age of the huge migration of poor people who were crossing the Atlantic to reach the Americas and Scalabrini, impressed by that phenomenon, decided to do something. The beginnings of the Congregation were humble and unpretentious: just two Italian priests who made their vows in the hands of the Founder and left.

The first mission fields were the United States and Brazil. Subsequently, keeping pace with the evolution of the migration flows, we reached other countries and continents.

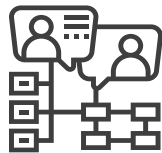
Today, the Scalabrini Congregation works in South Africa and more than 30 countries of the world, according to the Scalabrini ethos and inspired by universal values such as respect for human dignity and diversity. Fathers, with the invaluable help of lay people, exercise their ministry of consecrated people in parishes, missions, chaplaincies, reception centres, shelters for migrants, and at seaports; they are also present in national and diocesan Church organisms and centres of migration studies, like SIHMA.

The **main areas of work** of the Congregation are:

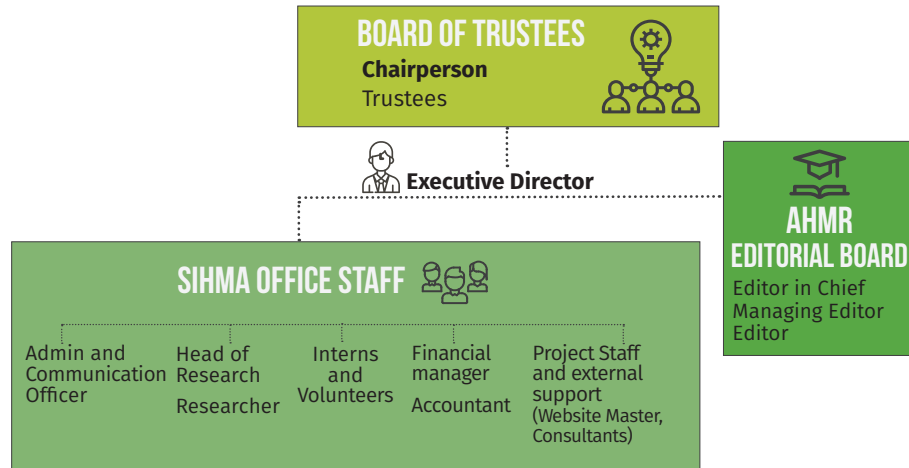
- Pastoral care and spiritual assistance of people on the move
- Social projects, research on human mobility, promotion of human rights
- Activities linked with our charisma and promotion of our spirituality

SCALABRINI IN AFRICA

The Congregation of Missionaries of St Charles is present on the African soil from 1994. We are grateful for the hard work of the staff, volunteers, and Fathers of the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town, Lawrence House and SIHMA, whose combined efforts have ensured that migrants and refugees to South Africa are treated with dignity and empathy, qualities emphasized by the endeavors of John Baptist Scalabrini.



ORGANISATIONAL CHART



1994 Scalabrini Fathers are **called to work in South Africa** by Archbishop of Cape Town Lawrence Henry. They start to work in **Holy Cross Parish** in District Six, with pastoral care of the Italian community too

1995 **Chaplaincy of the Port** of Cape Town (AoS) and Pastoral care of the Portuguese community

4 June 2003 the **Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town** inaugurates the new building in Commercial Street

16 April 2005 **Lawrence House**, Child and Youth Centre for Vulnerable Minors (especially migrants and refugees)

October 2005 Scalabrini Fathers start a new **Mission in Nampula (Mozambique)** with the pastoral care of refugees in Maratane Camp

2010 Opening of the new Mission in **Johannesburg**, at **St. Patrick La Rochelle Parish**

2013 **St. Agnes Parish** in Woodstock, consolidates an intercultural community, including French-speaking refugees

5 December 2014 **SIHMA** is started as the new research institute of Scalabrini focused on human mobility in Africa

2021 Opening of new social projects and research office in Johannesburg at St. Patrick La Rochelle



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

There is a wonderful painting by Fra Angelico of the Crucifixion with all the distress and agony. Beneath the Cross, is a group of saints busying themselves in various ways. One of them- mostly thought to be St Dominic, -is reading a book, studying. The painting with its multiple layers of interpretation invites a range of responses. Amongst which is crucial point that the places of agony, of suffering and distress need to be responded to not only with passing engagement but with serious study or else we run the risk -as we see all around us -of responding with dangerously superficial rhetoric and populist slogans, which only entrenches the suffering and creates more severe social pathologies. The scary levels of xenophobia, the insidious way in which discussions on migration is being reduced to options for keeping migrants out and the demonising of others that render them fair play for violent and abusive attacks, is a dangerous place for any person to be trapped in or any society to normalise. I often recall the words of Voltaire that 'when we start believing in absurdities, we end up committing atrocities.' The harsh world of mobile people is one of the places where these atrocities is played out mercilessly. The plight of displaced persons is one of the most disturbing signs of the times. It is thought that somewhere between 3% and 4% of the world's population is displaced in some way. It is a phenomenon that needs to be understood and responded to with justice. Pope Francis has spoken poignantly of migrants being seen and treated as 'pawns on the chessboard of humanity.'

Thus the sterling work of SIHMA in providing scholarly analysis, reasoned input and well thought through opinions on complex issues is profoundly important. SIHMA through this important work also provides an often missing or overlooked contribution to a responsible multidisciplinary narrative on migration. It also shapes the more practical responses to the migration realities and thus provides an important praxis. The continental reach of its work and its international networking has ensured that its work has found resonance in many places and amongst a wide variety of people. The strong justice lens which gives coherency and a prophetic edge to its work is also a sturdy reminder of its faith based roots. As so many causes threaten the survival of many, the right of people to leave the countries of their birth and seek a place to live more fully human lives, also increases. It is no longer simply war and discrimination that threaten the survival of many but climate change, gang and gender based violence and unjust economic systems that also threaten lives and force people to migrate. In the faith tradition that right to migrate is to be met with the corresponding duty of nations to welcome such migrants, to offer protection and promote their well-being. These are complex and highly contested issues. To SIHMAs credit they have done much to navigate these conflicting narratives, to denounce the politics of exclusion and contribute to the implementing of the four verbs of Pope Francis- welcome, protection, promotion and integration-into wider discourses, policy positions and practical responses. That is to be lauded.

The Board of Trustees endorse this valiant work, share in many of the difficult discussions, have been conscientised and educated by the work done from the Institute. we carry in our hearts the dream that justice for mobile people will be a part of the realisation of a new heaven and a new earth and that indeed the old order with its agony of injustice and exploitation, with the sound and the fury of war and the rape of our environment with its degradation, will indeed have passed away. We work to this end.

Fr. Peter John Pearson, SIHMA's Board Member and Director of CPLD



Fr. Gerardo Garcia

Gerardo is a missionary of the Scalabrinian Congregation (Missionaries of St Charles Borromeo) and one of the founding trustees of the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town. He is the chairperson of the board.



Fr. Peter John Pearson

Peter-John is a priest of the Archdiocese of Cape Town and the Director of the Catholic Parliamentary Liaison Office (CPLO). He began his journey to the priesthood after studying law and developed a passion for social justice in service of the poor.



Dulce Pereira

Dulce, after retiring from Standard Bank started to work as a volunteer with the Scalabrini Fathers, becoming the full-time financial administrator. She is one of the founding trustees of the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town.



Fr. Jorge Guerra

Jorge is a missionary of the Scalabrinian Congregation (Missionaries of St Charles Borromeo) based in Johannesburg at St. Patrick La Rochelle, a multicultural community hosting locals, migrants and refugees.

The organisation is governed by a Board of Trustees who oversees its work. Trustees ensure that the organisation fulfils its vision and mission. This is accomplished by defining a strategic plan for the organisation and by periodically monitoring and evaluating the work conducted by the Executive Director of SIHMA.

WELCOME TO WILLEM, OUR NEW TRUSTEE!



Willem Van Schalkwyk

Willem started his life as an engineer in 1985, after graduating from the University of Stellenbosch. In 1999 an opportunity arose at Metropolitan and he changed to financial services, shortly thereafter he became the Group Compliance Officer for Metropolitan. He was in various compliance roles up to his retirement in 2021.

We thank Elaine Maine for her years of support and work as a trustee on the SIHMA Board. Now that numerous commitments require her to do even more work with her STEPS organisation, we wish her well as she continues through her projects and trainings to offer knowledge and educate the new South African generations on integration and sharing. Although formally leaving the Board, she will continue her interest in the area of human mobility in the work she does on a daily basis and there will be no shortage of further opportunities for collaboration between our organisations.

THANKS ELAINE!

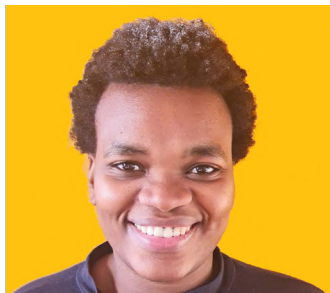


SIHMA TEAM



Filippo Ferraro
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Filippo is a Scalabrini Father. He completed his bachelor degree at the Theological Institute of Northern Italy (Milan) and obtained a Diploma in Pastoral Theology of Migration from SIMI (Pontifical Urban University in Rome). He started his ministry in South Africa in 2014 as chaplain of the French-speaking refugee community in the Archdiocese of Cape Town. Since the end of 2017 he has been the executive director of SIHMA and his main interests are the connection between academic research and work in the field of NGOs and the production of media on human mobility. He is also the coordinator of social projects of the Scalabrinian Congregation in Africa.



Samantha Coetzee
Admin Officer
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Samantha was born and raised in South Africa. She's currently in the last semester of her LLB, at the University of South Africa, and hopes to specialize in International Human Rights Law and Advocacy within the next three years. Before working at SIHMA she was volunteering at the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town (SCCT), working at the Women's Platform, which assists migrant women by teaching them integration skills; she moved then to the Advocacy Programme, where she still volunteers on a part-time basis, assisting with paralegal services asylum seekers and migrants. In her free time, she also volunteers at the local soup kitchen for the homeless.



Muluh Cletus
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Born and raised in a rural community in the North West Region of Cameroon, Momasoh Cletus Muluh is a holder of a Master's degree in Development Studies from the University of the Western Cape. He is currently doing his Ph.D. in the Department of Sociology at the University of Cape Town with research and teaching interest around African migration, integration, social change, and policy formation. He lectured introduction to Sociology and Development Studies at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology for first and second-year students. He is very passionate about the survival mechanisms and/or strategies that migrants use in their integration process within their host communities.



Eduardo Gabriel
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Fr Eduardo is a Missionary of St Charles, born in Piracicaba, São Paulo province (Brazil). In 2002 he completed his Undergraduate Degree in Social Science at São Carlos University, (UFSCAR), in Brasil, where he also got in 2005 he got his master's degree in Social Sciences. In 2010 he finished his Ph.D. in Sociology at the Universidade de São Paulo (USP), with a concurrent period at Instituto Universitário de Lisboa (ISCTE) and the Institute of Social Sciences (ICS), in Lisbon, Portugal. He has also been studying in the Scalabrinian Mission in Manila, Philippines. Eduardo is enthusiastic about conducting research relating to human mobility. He is the coordinator of our office in Johannesburg.

OUR FINANCIAL TEAM



Malcolm J. Salida
Financial Manager

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Malcolm is a highly skilled, trained and respected finance executive having professionally assisted many organisations and international developmental projects. With close to 30 years working experience, of which at least 18 have been at an executive and board level, he brings an enthusiastic leadership style to all roles he assumes. He applies his financial and business management skills with an attention to detail to ensure processes and systems are aligned to achieve strategic business objectives. He has a strong passion to ensure that governance, ethics, professionalism, transparency and authenticity are foremost in any business/organisation he manages.



Siphosethu Patonisi
Accountant

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Siphosethu was born and raised in a rural village in Eastern Cape, South Africa. She holds a BTech in Taxation and completed her Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Accountant in Practice at a medium-sized accounting firm based in Cape Town. She is a very energetic, ambitious person who has developed a mature and responsible approach to any task that she undertakes. As a trainee accountant she is flexible in changing situations and always pays high attention to detail. She has developed so much love working for NGO's as she is currently working for two successful NGOs as her allocated clients and wishes to use her free time volunteering to places that assists people in need.

THANK YOU TO JAMES AND DEBORAH



SIHMA would like to say a big thank you to both James Chapman and Deborah Zen for being a part of the SIHMA team for the past 2 years! James was the project manager at SIHMA and spearheaded, inter alia, many projects, lectures, webinars as well as articles related to a variety of migration-related issues. James and Deborah were also instrumental in ensuring all our volunteers had a good support structure throughout their internship and provided guidance to them whenever the need occurred. Deborah was the Office Administrator as well as the Communications Manager for SIHMA. She always ensured that our social media pages were kept up to date with the latest migration-related information and managed the general needs of the office. Deborah also ensured that all SIHMA stakeholders were always tended to timeously by managing our correspondence requests as well. SIHMA has been greatly enriched by the work and presence of both James and Deborah in our office over the past 2 years, and we'd like to thank them both for all the time and work they've done that has contributed to the success of SIHMA. We wish them all the best in their future endeavours!

ONCE THIS HEALTH CRISIS PASSES, OUR
WORST RESPONSE WOULD BE TO PLUNGE
EVEN MORE DEEPLY INTO FEVERISH
CONSUMERISM AND NEW FORMS
OF EGOTISTIC SELF-PRESERVATION.
GOD WILLING, AFTER ALL THIS,
WE WILL THINK NO LONGER IN TERMS OF
'THEM' AND 'THOSE', BUT ONLY 'US'.

POPE FRANCIS
2020 ENCYCLICAL LETTER
"FRATELLI TUTTI" (ALL BROTHERS)



SIHMA VOLUNTEER AND INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME

Volunteering at SIHMA is an interesting, stimulating, and unique opportunity that guarantees a valuable learning experience. We aim to make voluntary placement a fruitful exchange, both for SIHMA and for your skills and personal development.

The internship programme also foresees the involvement in other programmes of Scalabrini Centre and activities related to our network. This allows the interns and volunteers to have a real deep immersion in the migratory phenomenon, meeting refugees and people on the move, sharing their stories and needs. SIHMA offers a 3-month position for an administrative and communications volunteer and a 6-month position for a research volunteer. A detailed description of the two positions is available in our website. For more information, please contact us at admin@sihma.org.za.



COMMUNICATION AND ADMINISTRATION

(AT LEAST 3 MONTHS)

Reception and administration (calls, emails,...); Assisting in events management i.e. workshops, roundtables, and conferences; Assisting in social media management (Facebook, Twitter, Blog On The Move); Writing reports of our activities and events; Researching and writing on topical articles related to our work; Supporting media production at different levels; Checking and selecting material to be published on our website.



RESEARCH INTERN

(AT LEAST 4/6 MONTHS)

Assisting the SIHMA research team with qualitative and quantitative data collection and analysis (depending on experience and qualification); Carrying out literature and evidence reviews, including identifying relevant research evidence, appraising the quality of evidence and writing up key findings; Collaborating in the making of "knowledge products" for disseminating research and articles to non-academic recipients; Participation in stakeholder fora and workshops that are of interest or relevance, assisting with other tasks that are necessary for the daily business of the organisation.



REMOTE INTERNSHIP

(AT LEAST 2/3 MONTHS)

Due to current circumstances, we have developed a special profile for those candidates who cannot be here physically but are available to work remotely. Tasks are defined according to the skills of the volunteer and the ongoing projects of SIHMA. A good internet connection and proficient English are required. A list of IT skills is highly appreciated.

INTERNS AT SIHMA 2020/21



MARY CASCARELLI

from United States of America, (4th year student at Michigan State University in the United States, majoring in Comparative Cultures and Politics with Muslim Studies); remote communication and research intern with SIHMA from January 2021 to June 2021;

My goal for the internship was to gain more real-world experience and see how research and communications could coincide with my future career goals. I hope to go into the sphere of Public Health and work with refugees. So, I was able to learn more about the experiences of refugees in South Africa. During my time at SIHMA I was able to help with social media posts, attend webinars, post blog posts, and work on my own research in collaboration with SIHMA. My research for SIHMA surrounds Catholic agencies in the Middle East and the ways in which they have addressed the needs of migrants in the area. I was grateful for this opportunity to further my knowledge even more. I have felt great support from the team and am so happy to have been able to work with them for the couple months I was here. I always love meeting new people who have the same passion for human rights, and I know SIHMA is doing great work.



APRIL NOELLE WALTER

from Ohio, United States of America, (Master of International Affairs student from Pennsylvania State University); remote communication and research intern with SIHMA from June 2021 to July 2021;

I earned my Bachelor of Arts in International Affairs from Baldwin Wallace University. Currently, I am working towards a Master of International Affairs from Pennsylvania State University. Alongside my graduate degree, I am completing a graduate certificate in Public Health Preparedness. The work I completed helped me learn more about migration issues not only in South Africa but throughout the African continent as well. I have been interested in migration and working with refugees since my time at my undergrad institution. Working with SIHMA has allowed me to continue following my passion for migration. During my time at SIHMA, I have co-authored three blog posts and I wrote the press review. I have also completed a research project focusing on the health conditions of refugee camps on the African continent. I hope to visit Cape Town soon and meet the entire team in person.



VICTORIA JENSEN

from Oslo, Norway, (Bachelor's Degree in Development Studies from the University of Oslo); hybrid communication and research intern with SIHMA from June 2021 to December 2021;

I have a degree in Development Studies from the University of Oslo, and my objective is to obtain a career within the field of humanitarian and human rights. I had the pleasure of joining SIHMA as a research and communications intern for 6 months. I am very grateful for the opportunity I got to expand my knowledge and understanding of the patterns of migration. During my time at the SIHMA office in Cape Town, I was involved in a wide range of tasks and projects. I got to publish several research articles, took part in the making of SIHMA's Annual Report and worked on SIHMA's contribution to the Vatican Pastoral Report 2020. I joined several webinars related to migration and worked on a project to write migration country profiles for the African continent. I was also given the opportunity to oversee communications, and I initiated adding Instagram as another social media platform.





NICOLETTE PÉREZ VERWER

from Gran Canaria, Spain (Master's degree in Migration at the University of Valencia); communication and research intern with SIHMA from October 2021 to December 2021;

It was through my Master's degree in Migration at the University of Valencia that I first came into contact with the work being carried out through the extensive network of the Scalabrini around the world. Their specialisation in defending the rights of migrants and promoting their wellbeing and autonomy made them stand out for me as an internship centre in the list of options. I was able to quickly assimilate the different tasks carried out in the office, such as the publication of news related to migration, the dissemination of programs and workshops for the promotion and integration of migrants and, the preparation of articles to be published on the Blog. In addition, I was able to share the experience with the SIHMA team, enjoying their support, as well as to share time with the members of the different programs of the Scalabrini Centre, broadening the perspectives of the migration phenomenon through the different lines of intervention and assistance.



MARZIA MARZENTA

from Arezzo, Italy (Master's degree in Migration student at the University of Valencia); communication and research intern with SIHMA from November 2021 to February 2022;

My passion for foreign languages and for getting to know different cultures led me to start a course of studies in Spain, which awakened in me a deep interest in migration processes. Therefore, I based my choice of where I would carry out the curricular internship outside Europe, at SIHMA in Cape Town. The focus of their research is based on the African perspective, which is exactly what I hoped to train myself on professionally. Migrations from the African continent is a highly politicised issue in Europe and are often perceived as negative, which is due to the dissemination of 'untruthful' or 'distorted' information. It represents a "delicate" and "exploited" issue that, if brought to light, can reveal a reality full of contradictions, ambiguities, injustices and "power games". My experience at SIHMA was extremely formative for me, not only on a professional level, but also on a personal one. The atmosphere in the office has always been one of friendship and mutual support. SIHMA has opened to me the doors to the world of the African continent, which is rich in culture, history, languages and different populations.



ÁNGELA HERNÁNDEZ LÓPEZ

Valencia, Italy, (Master's degree in Migration student at the University of Valencia); hybrid communication and research intern with SIHMA from November 2021 to February 2022;

Since I started my degree I have been interested in migration, displacement, refugees and everything related. Almost all my professional experiences are related to the phenomenon of migration as it is something I am really passionate about, professionally and personally. I have been a research intern at SIHMA for three months, the first part of this experience has been face-to-face and the second part remotely. During my stay at SIHMA, I have written a blog about the situation of climate crisis and famine in the south of Madagascar and other posts. I have participated in the search for international, regional and local news for the Press Review. I have also done research on the Lindela migrant detention center in Johannesburg and collected data for the Congo's migration profile. Overall, it has been a good experience, a great learning experience professionally and personally.



AMONG OUR PARTNERS



Migrants & Refugees Section
Dicastery for Promoting Integral
Human Development (Vatican City)



SACBC - South African Catholic Bishops'
Conference (South Africa, Botswana
and Eswatini)



CPLO - Catholic Parliamentary
Liaison Office (Cape Town, South Africa
and African network)



CEI - Italian Bishops' Conference
(Rome, Italy)



UWC - University of the Western
Cape (Cape Town, South Africa)



UCT - University of Cape Town
(Cape Town, South Africa)



ACMS - African Centre for Migration and
Society (University of the Witwatersrand
- Johannesburg, South Africa)



Centre for Migration Study
University of Ghana (Accra, Ghana)



AMADPOC - African Migration and
Development Policy Centre
(Nairobi, Kenya)



OSSREA - Organization for Social
Science Research in Eastern and
Southern Africa (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia)



Radboud University
(Nijmegen, Netherlands)



CoRMSA - Consortium for Refugees
and Migrants in South Africa
(Pretoria, South Africa)



SCCT - Scalabrini Center of Cape Town
(Cape Town, South Africa)



SIMI - Scalabrini International
Migration Institute (Rome, Italy)



Regional Direction of the Congrega-
tion of the Missionaries of St. Charles
- Scalabrinians (Basel, Switzerland)



ASCS - Scalabrini Agency for
Cooperation and Development
(Milan, Italy)



ICMC - International Catholic Migration
Commission (Geneva, Switzerland)



JRS - Jesuit Refugee Service
(Southern Africa Region)



LHR - Lawyers for Human Rights
(Pretoria, South Africa)



CTIP - Counter Trafficking in Persons
Office (Pretoria, South Africa)



CSEM - Centro Scalabriniano de
estudios migratorios (Scalabrini
Sisters - Brasilia, Brazil)



Cultural Video Production Africa
(Nairobi, Kenya)



University of Valencia
(Valencia, Spain)



CERAP - Centre for Research and Ac-
tion for Peace
(Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire)



The Scalabrini International Migration Network (SIMN) is an umbrella organization established in 2007 by the Congregation of the Missionaries of Saint Charles, Scalabrinians. SIMN encompasses more than 250 grassroots Scalabrini entities that serve and advocate for the dignity and rights of migrants, refugees, internally displaced people, and seafarers around the world. SIMN fulfils its mission through an extensive network of think tanks, social service centres, shelters, senior centres, orphanages, medical clinics, kindergartens, schools, employment centres, and cultural centres. SIMN works closely with other entities at the local, national, and international levels, promoting comprehensive service programs and advocating for the dignity and rights of migrants and their families.



The Federation of Scalabrini Centers for Migration Studies unites seven centres across the world, each devoted to research and advocacy on migration. Located in New York, Paris, Rome, Basel, São Paulo, Buenos Aires, and Manila, these centres monitor the development of international migration. All of them are organized with similar departments, including a program dedicated to research, another dedicated to specialized publications—including periodicals, monographs and academic papers—as well as programmes dedicated to documentation, conferences, and other educational activities.

NETWORK OF STUDY CENTRES



CEMLA, Buenos Aires

Centro de Estudios Migratorios Latinoamericanos, established in 1985 in Buenos Aires (Argentina)
www.cemla.com

CEM, Sao Paulo

Centro de Estudios Migratorios, established in 1985 in Sao Paulo (Brazil)
www.missaonspaz.org

CSER, Rome

Centro Studi Emigrazione Roma, established in 1964 in Rome (Italy)
www.cser.it

CMS, New York

Center for Migration Studies of New York, established in 1969 in New York (USA)
www.cmsny.org

CIEMI, Paris

Centre d'Information et Etudes sur les Migrations Internationales, established in 1971 in Paris (France)
www.ciemi.org

SMC, Manila

Scalabrini Migration Center, established in 1987 in Manila (Philippines)
www.smc.org.ph



SIHMA'S KEY FOCUS AREAS

1. RESEARCH
2. PUBLICATIONS
3. TRAINING AND
CAPACITY BUILDING
4. EVENTS,
NETWORK AND MEDIA



1. RESEARCH

Human mobility in Africa has a long history spanning several centuries and the continent has a highly mobile population composed of nomads, frontier workers, highly skilled professionals, entrepreneurs, students, refugees and undocumented migrants. The discourse around migration trends and patterns in Africa is dominated by myths and false assumptions which fail to paint a true reflection of this phenomenon. Our

research seeks clarity on the different forms of mobility in Africa. **Conducting research is SIHMA's main activity.** All the research that we do supports the advocacy, service providing and social projects inside the Scalabrini network. Among the many themes of **human mobility, SIHMA's research agenda** is focused on: migration policies, both at regional and continental level, impact of migration on mental health, xenophobia and Afrophobia, climate change and migration, gender issues, vulnerable minors, human trafficking, refugee rights and many other areas. Human mobility in Africa has a long history spanning several centuries and the continent has a highly mobile population composed of nomads, frontier workers, highly skilled professionals, entrepreneurs, students, refugees and undocumented migrants. The discourse around migration trends and patterns in Africa is dominated by myths and false assumptions which fail to paint a true reflection of this phenomenon.

MINISTRY REPORT 2021

MIGRANT MINISTRY REPORT IN AFRICA DURING THE PANDEMIC CRISIS

GOOD PRACTICES
MARCH - DECEMBER 2020

This report was commissioned by the Migrants & Refugees Section of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development and compiled by SIHMA, that in recent years has compiled two other Ministry Reports looking at the different Roman Catholic Ministries across the African continent and the incredible work they are doing with respect to people on the move. Both of which included consideration and expression of good practices by several Roman Catholic institutions or organisations in the reporting period.

This third report focuses on 40 good practices implemented in 2020, during the pandemic, through the lens of Pope Francis's four verbs for migration: welcome, promote, protect, and integrate. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the dire need for many vulnerable communities including many people on the move has been exacerbated. Many have been ill and/or lives have been lost. Economies have collapsed, and many organisations have had to reduce their operations or close altogether. While migrants in many cases have been hit hardest by the pandemic, some migrants and refugees have shown remarkable resilience and initiative, allowing them to rise above adversity and excel despite the challenges. Likewise, many Catholic institutions and organisations have taken the pandemic in stride, adapted, and found ways to refocus their activities and projects to welcome, protect, promote and integrate people on the move in the context of the pandemic. SIHMA has had the privilege of reflecting on and compiling 40 good practices espoused by Catholic agencies assisting or working with people on the move during the pandemic. Of the 40 practices that were identified, 10 practices relate to each of Pope Francis' four verbs in response to migration: welcome, protect, promote and integrate.

To prepare this report, SIHMA, in collaboration with the Migrants and Refugees Section, wrote to over 160 different contacts from countries across Africa. Material was received from the Catholic community in Africa, including but not limited to Episcopal Commissions, dioceses, parishes, religious congregations, and migrant groups. In responding to the pandemic, Catholic institutions and organisations have been continually on the frontline of alleviating its consequences, providing essential services and assistance. In addition to the narratives on good practices in this report, there is further material in the form of interviews with directors or project managers coordinating the organisations. These interviews provide a brief description of the work with people on the move, the inspiration and vision for the work, the challenges faced because of the pandemic and the successes in response, the recent changes in the phenomenon of migration, and the future goal and vision for the project and activities. This report does have some limitations, since it is based on data collected and or supplied by other organisations, and the accuracy could not be independently verified by the Migrants and Refugees Section or communities. Anyway it offers a very interesting picture about the topic. The report can be downloaded freely at the website www.migrants-refugees.va.

PATHWAYS OF WELL-BEING AND BELONGING AMONG MIGRANT YOUTH IN CAPE TOWN

RESEARCH PROJECT by **SIHMA and SCCT - Lawrence Louse**

Children and young people with experiences of migration in South Africa are building their lives in contexts of deep insecurity. Research is needed on the impact of the present context on young people's wellbeing and sense of belonging. The process of finding a sense of home in their new environments is complex, and through this research, we aim to build an understanding of the barriers to and facilitators of this. This will include the intersection between young people's past and the effects of trauma, loss and dislocation that inform how they navigate their present.

Over the past few years, SIHMA and the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town (SCCT) and other organisations like Adonis Musati Project (AMP) have conducted research, conversations and other interventions to investigate experiences of migrant youth in Cape Town. The creation of this project came as a response to a group of young participants who asked for more spaces to articulate their experiences and share that with others. As a result, Pathways of Wellbeing and Belonging is a continuation of previous enquiries into migrant youth experiences in order to build on previous work and open up opportunities for future projects.

This research will include work with children and young people with experience of South Africa's child protection system. This may entail children in formal placement in CYCC or alternative placement and/or those subject to monitoring by the Children's Court and Social workers. Experience from within these settings that is not limited to child and youth care systems has shown that children and young people with migrant backgrounds face many challenges related to their care. Examples include challenges in obtaining and renewing parents' documentation, state failures in issuing birth certificates and years of waiting before receiving official immigration status. Children and young people who are both in and outside of formal care settings experience similar challenges that go under investigated. As such, we are particularly interested in the impact of these challenges on young people, how it may harm them, and interacts with their integration, sense of belonging and sense of future in South Africa.

Studies globally have shown the impact of this form of institutionally produced waiting, and uncertainty, on young people's sense of self and sense of future is detrimental to their mental wellbeing (Chase and Allsopp 2021, Gonzales, Suárez- Orozco, and Dedios-Sanguinetti 2013). This can be argued as a form of administrative violence, which acts to de-legitimise children and young people's claims to legal documentation and immigration status (Beaugrand 2011, Mayblin, Wake, and Kazemi 2020). Within this time, young people live with fear of destitution, exploitation, detention and/or deportation as they transition to adulthood. It also impacts on their sense of identity in society, leading to feelings of lacking acceptance and not having belonging, or a place to call 'home' (Smit 2015). Our experience shows that many carry the trauma caused through this time into their future lives, which deeply impacts their sense of self-worth, and the resources they have to draw on to build their lives, even when legal immigration or documentation status is secured.

The enquiry and question for this project is guided by a set of aims and objectives that will be further shaped by the young people's input during the research process. This 'openness' is a critical aspect to our participatory approach, which will be further delineated later on.



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Yusra is an independent anthropologist, educator, researcher and facilitator who cannot settle on a single occupation but dabbles in many interrelated work practices. She holds a Masters in Anthropology from the University of Cape Town (UCT) and specializes in education and inclusive storytelling research practice. She firmly believes in using arts-based activities to engage people during research.

Using a variety of mediums to tell stories decentres text as a dominant form of expression and allows for a wider and more inclusive research process that caters to different people. Her work has thus far been located in community engagement and advocacy where a people-centred approach tries to assist others in achieving social justice.

The overarching aim is to explore the interaction between individual, social and structural factors in the construction of wellbeing and belonging for young people with migration experiences in the South African context. This research is oriented towards advocacy, so that we can work with legal and social work professionals to drive change. Target audiences for influencing include numerous Government Departments including the Department of Social Development (DSD) and the Department of Home Affairs.

This advocacy work is oriented towards, but not limited to, the proposed amendments to the Children's Act. The aim is to explicitly name unaccompanied children in section 150 – the provision regarding when a child is deemed to be in need of care and protection and ensuring the broadest possible provisions allowing for inclusion of any and all migrant children's access to the Child Protection System. Targeting DSD is about reinforcing and improving on internal guidelines and standard operating procedures in relation to unaccompanied and separated foreign children.

The specific objectives identified in this project are to examine what factors impact and shape migrant children and young people's sense of wellbeing and belonging as they build their lives in South Africa, how and why, and at what societal levels - personal, social, institutional - are these influences located.

Understand what the specific impact of the immigration system and decision-making has on the mental wellbeing of children and young people in the protection system.

Identify where children and young people experience positive pathways towards wellbeing and belonging, and explore how and why this has happened.

Consider spaces like the Department for Social Development (DSD) and other policy stakeholders' conception of migrant youth in legal policy and how these may contribute to misunderstandings/inadequate understandings of spaces like the DSD with regards to the care of undocumented youth. Further insights may emerge from young participants' experiences during our research process. With their insight, we hope to refine our objectives that adequately shape an enquiry that will benefit the lives of young migrant youth. Moreover, we intend to co-develop a final outcome with youth participants that will directly engage policy and policy-making.



HEALTH COMMUNITY CENTRE PROJECT

SIHMA Project, supported by **ASCS** and **SIMN**

The establishment of our Health Center at the St. Patrick Centre, has been an essential pillar for the local vulnerable and migrant community within Rosettenville (Johannesburg), in their ability to access healthcare services. We've come to learn that many community members depend on the Health Center and, therefore, the continuance thereof is extremely vital. Through much groundwork and renovations, we've managed to set up the Health Center and elevate it to the likeness of a private clinic. After all, our beneficiaries deserved this. After purchasing the required medical equipment, beds, and instruments, we embarked on a search for the perfect staff members that could run the project efficiently and effectively. This resulted in SIHMA employing Dhano Letchman as the administrator of the Health Centre at the time, as we awaited the arrival of the Project coordinator who had been stuck in Brazil due to the travel bans. We encountered many challenges in getting the registration of the clinic finalized, because there was much bureaucracy and red tape that we tirelessly had to gnaw through, but we eventually managed to get the Health Center's practice number. Thereafter, we had the challenge of getting the permit issued for the clinic.

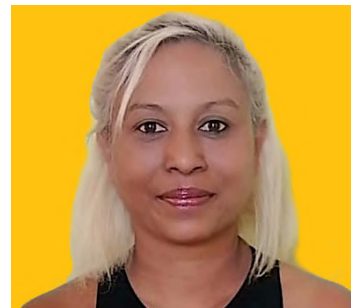
Throughout this process we managed to branch out and started networking with other organisations, whose goals also aligned with ours. The Center also ran campaigns which in turn assisted and benefited the local parish, with the doctors and nurses volunteering at our clinic availing themselves and assisting the parishioners. Furthermore, we partnered with an organisation called Onesight, and through this initiative we were able to see over 450 clients over a period of three days. The benefactors of the Onesight campaign were able to obtain prescription spectacles, readers, and clippers and premium frames.

This project also stemmed from the initiative of a group of doctors and professional nurses, who normally attend St. Patrick's community and who wished to provide free hours of their work to support the centre's activities. Thanks to them, to whom we are sincerely grateful, we were able to organise various health prevention campaigns, blood pressure tests and other health education activities.

The Health Center is also a part of the Catholic Health Care Association (CATHCA) network of clinics and community health centres. We are currently engaging in fruitful conversations with three different organisations, which will see the clinic acquiring additional support in providing mental health and AIDS related services, as well as a Vaccine Hub for refugees and migrants. The mental health clinic will be supported by the initiatives of the South African government, as well as the COVID Vaccine Hub.

There is still much work to be done and support needed at the Center. The clinic is now ready start to start functioning fully from Monday to Friday. We will also be able to establish a mobile clinic that will assist some of our partners that we have networked with, such as Three2Six, Bienvenu Shelter, Joburg City Shelters, collaborating with DSD benefactors, as well as providing local support to the Lindela Shelter in the future.

SIHMAs extremely proud of the work we've done in this year of the Center's establishment, and we look forward to another productive year as well as the new opportunities that will present itself. We're confident that the Center will be able to rise to the challenge and meet the significant needs of the vulnerable local and migrant communities in and around La Rochelle.



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RENATO TIDEI

Born and raised in Italy, he graduated as a social worker from the University of Macerata, first earning a bachelor's degree and then a doctoral degree. He has two great passions in his life: animals and social justice. He decided to pursue the path of social work by starting to serve the elderly residents of her city. With the increase in demand for the opening of reception centers for asylum seekers in Italy, he began to work first as an operator and then as a head of structure in the service of asylum seekers and refugees. For a period of his life, he was a volunteer at the "Carlos Slim Foundation" in Mexico City where he served for the redevelopment of the neediest neighborhoods. For the last two years, he has been responsible for a nutrition project in a refugee camp in Mozambique for the non-profit organization ASCS and the Scalabrinian mission.

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HUMAN TRAFFICKING PROJECT

SIHMA Project, supported by **ASCS** and **SIMN**

The SIHMA Johannesburg Legal Office was established in September 2021 with the purpose of providing legal services to victims of human trafficking, offer trainings and awareness campaigns on human trafficking to the general public and government sectors. The project would further also undertake to conducting research in the field of human trafficking, with the idea of human trafficking along the border of Mozambique and South Africa. In achieving its trainings goals, the Legal Office started off on 26 and 27 October 2021 with training healthcare workers and social workers from other organizations such as Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS). The training equipped the healthcare workers and social workers with knowledge about human trafficking since they are likely to come across victims of human trafficking within their line of work, how to identify victims of human trafficking and what to do if they suspect human trafficking.

The Legal Office closed off the year with a gender-based violence event on 11 December 2021 held in Rosettenville at the St. Patrick's Church, educating the youth not only on gender-based violence but also on human trafficking. The youth were equipped with knowledge about human trafficking for them to protect their vulnerable selves from this crime that is so ripe in the area. Since the year was almost over, the Legal Office team had intense brainstorming and a good reflection on the training of the healthcare workers and the gender-based violence event, which have set the mood for the many planned trainings for 2022.

Apart from the trainings, the Legal Office handled a few cases assisting survivors of human trafficking with their legal needs by providing them with legal services and legal representation. The Legal Office has received praise from clients in the way matters were handled, how they were treated and pleased with the outcome of matters. Furthermore human trafficking is so complex, no organization can afford to be an island and try to fight the crime on its own. Therefore seeing as the Legal Office was new in the field of counter-human trafficking, it was vital for the Office to meet and network with other organizations involved in counter-human trafficking. The Legal Office made it a priority to form partnerships and networks with such organizations and government bodies such as the Department of Social Development and the City of Johannesburg to be more effective in counter-human trafficking and meeting the Legal Office's objectives.



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Born and raised in Zimbabwe, Nothando funded her way through a degree in Development Studies as a waitress and developed a love for advocacy.

She is a gender-based violence activist and speaker, who is passionate about women and migrant rights. Driven by a personal understanding of the struggles of hospitality workers and migrants, she organised relief for many hospitality-industry workers during the COVID-19 pandemic's lockdown, as many migrants were left vulnerable and without much support during the first lockdown.

She also in her final year of her Hons Degree in Development Studies with the University of South Africa.

RESEARCH REQUEST

Would you like to interview us or our clients as participants in your research?

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There is a panel of staff from the Scalabrini Institute for Human Mobility in Africa and the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town that receives and considers interview/research requests every month.

We ask that you please complete the form and submit it according and that you do not email any staff directly, as our organisation/s may not be able to correspond until your request has been approved.

You can find the form at <https://www.sihma.org.za/sihma-research-request>

An exploratory project on bridging the personal and the political through creative advocacy work elaborated and published by our sister organisation, the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town.

‘SPEAKING IN THE GAP’

Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town,

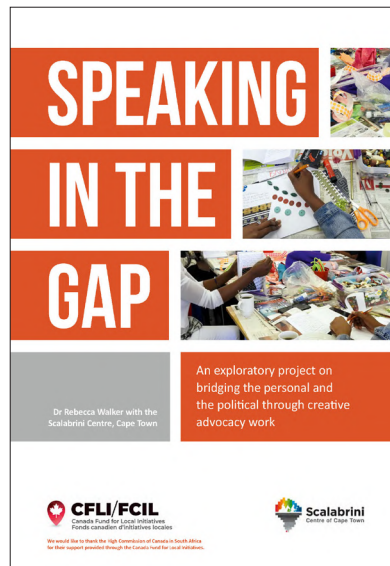
This report reflects on the research process and findings of a short study designed to explore **how the personal, lived experiences of marginalised communities can be creatively expressed with the aim of informing, shaping, and catalysing political and high-level advocacy work.**

This is a report with many authors, from the facilitators – Yusra Price, Jill Van Dugteren, Xoli Fuyani and Shingi West – to the Director of the Scalabrini Centre, Giulia Treves, and the Scalabrini staff, and to all the women and girls who participated in the creative processes and shared experiences and stories.

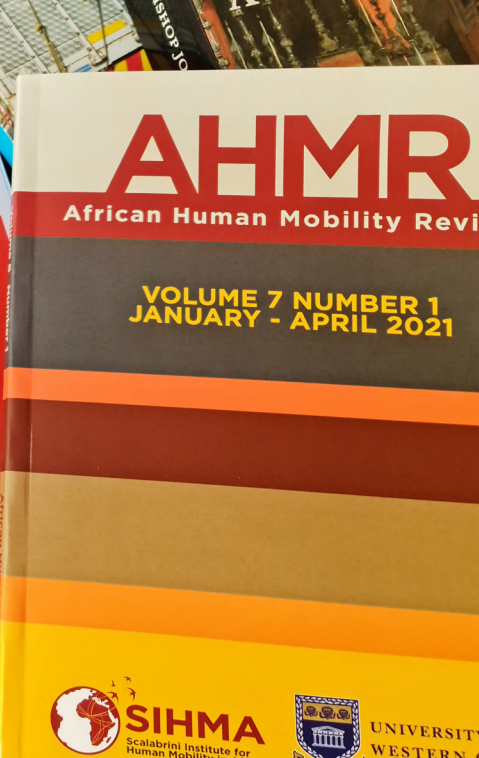
The commitment, hard work and willingness to engage by all those involved made the writing of this report the easy part, and I am extremely grateful to everyone.

As this report shows, there is no obvious or one way of thinking through creative advocacy or of sharing and engaging with the stories that need to be heard. There are also far more questions than there are answers.

The hope, then, is that this is a starting point and that many more creative, vibrant, and meaningful engagements are to come.



“FOR WOMEN WHO TELL THEIR STORIES, THEIR HOPE IS THAT THEY CAN REACH MORE REFUGEES, MORE MIGRANT WOMEN, MORE STORIES FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS WHO HAVE TO FLEE HOME AND COME TO SOUTH AFRICA. IN TERMS OF ADVOCACY – [THIS IS] HOW TO HUMANIZE PEOPLE WHEN THERE IS A PREJUDICE THAT HAS BEEN BRED OVER AND OVER. WHEN IT COMES TO DISSEMINATION AND SHARING, THEY DON’T WANT TO TELL STORIES AND THEN THEY GET TAKEN OVER. HOW IT GETS SHARED AND REPRESENTED – THERE ARE SO MANY LAYERS. ON ONE LEVEL, [WE] WANT PEOPLE’S STORIES TO SIT AT THE SAME TABLE AS POLICYMAKERS. IT FITS WITH THE SAYING “NOTHING ABOUT US WITHOUT US”.



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RESEARCH BLOG POSTS

Our team prepares a weekly post for the Blog on the Move and some contain insights and research on relevant topics of human mobility. Among those published in the last year on our website are:

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- 🌐 Madagascar Crisis (14/12/2021).

MIGRANTS LABOUR MARKET CSER

by **CSER, SIMN Africa Europe, SIHMA**

On 16 November 2021, within the actions of the “Faces of Migration” project, an online training day was held on and the CSER Foundation published this publication on February 2022.

The day was co-organised by the CSER Foundation and FOCSIV, the CSER Foundation already in 2020 presented international research on the impact the COVID-19 pandemic was having on migrants. After another year of the pandemic crisis, it is necessary to draw attention to how the COVID-19 pandemic is not only a health emergency but also represents a serious economic and labour market crisis that is having a dramatic impact on people on a global scale, especially the most vulnerable, including migrant workers.

According to preliminary estimates by the International Labour Organisation (ILO), the economic and labour crisis caused by COVID-19 could increase unemployment worldwide by almost 25 million people. The ILO estimates that between 8.8 and 35 million more people will find themselves in in-work poverty worldwide. The effects of the crisis on people have already disproportionately affected migrant workers.

This is due to the endemic fragility caused by an increased frequency of temporary contracts, concentration in particular sectors strongly affected by the lockdown (personal care, services, tourism), and due to occupations that can hardly be performed remotely, the foreign population has been shown to be more vulnerable in 2020, with millions of people losing their jobs. The ILO estimates that there are 164 million migrant workers worldwide, almost half of them women; they represent 4.7 per cent of the global labour force. Although not all of these workers will return to their countries of origin - after losing their jobs due to the pandemic and the resulting crisis - ILO research in more than 20 countries indicates that millions will be forced to do so, despite the fact that most countries of origin have limited scope to reintegrate workers. How to respond to this new 'emergency'? What is the state of play for migrants in different countries of the world? What internationally coordinated measures can be taken to limit the impact of this 'new' crisis?

These are some of the questions that the numerous expert presentations will attempt to answer during the training day, without forgetting the focus on the deontological representation of the problem, which will conclude the day. Live streaming of the conference can be found on the CSER Foundation Facebook page. After a first part dedicated to the Italian and European situation, a wide overview was offered outside the European Unione, i.d. United Kingdom (Nando Sigona, University of Birmingham), USA (Stefano Luconi, University of Padua), Canada (Martin Pâquet, Université Laval - Quebec), Latin America (Brazil-Argentina, Paolo Parise, CEM - São Paulo, Sidnei Marco Dornelas, CEMLA - Buenos Aires), Gulf States (Gennaro Errichiello, SOAS - Department of Politics and International Studies of the School of Oriental and Asian Studies) and Africa, with a contribution of the Executive Director of SIHMA Fr Filippo Ferraro. The Report is in Italian and can be downloaded on the CSER website.

This publication edited by the Scalabrini Centre is an interesting example of how our Scalabrinian network combines research and service provision, in collaboration with major international organisations but always with an eye on the local reality. It also reflects the continuous search for networking and collaboration that we believe is essential to advance the mission of integrating the migrant population into the local community fabric, combining high ideals regarding rights and the practicality of real and applicable solutions.

MAPPING OF MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN (INCLUDING CHILDREN ON THE MOVE) IN THE WESTERN CAPE

Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town

This document has been compiled by the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town in order to map various services available to children, including children on the move, in respect of mental health and psychosocial support.

The document has adopted a wide interpretation of mental health and psychosocial support services so that it includes more conventional mental health programmes and support, such as the SA depression and anxiety group, as well as other wellbeing personal development-related programmes.

It is acknowledged that this mapping project is a living document and will need to be updated from time to time as resources and offerings change, as well as if services are added or discontinued. It is recommended that a review is done on at least a yearly basis in this regard. This mapping document was produced with the financial support of the European Union. Its contents are the sole responsibility of Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town, UNHCR, and UNICEF and do not necessarily reflect the views of the European Union.

The document is available on the website www.scalabrini.org.za



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AFRICAN HUMAN MOBILITY REVIEW (AHMR)

Started in 2015, the African Human Mobility Review (AHMR) is an interdisciplinary peer-reviewed on-line journal created to encourage and facilitate the study of all aspects of human mobility in Africa. It is published three times a year.

AHMR is jointly owned by the Scalabrini Institute for Human Mobility in Africa (SIHMA) and the University of the Western Cape (UWC).

Through the publication of original research, policy discussions and evidence-based research papers, AHMR provides a discussion devoted exclusively to the analysis of current trends, migration patterns and some of the most important migration-related issues.

AHMR gives young African researchers an opportunity to publish and disseminate their work; publishing and disseminating research outputs on the socio-demographic, economic, political, psychological, historical, legislative and religious aspects of human migration and refugee movements from and within Sub-Saharan Africa; identifying best practices and suggesting guidelines for a correct implementation of migration policies in Africa; increasing SIHMA's visibility and promoting its vision and mission.

The journal is now printed as hardcopy and is distributed online through our newsletter and accessible at no charge on the SIHMA website. Every year AHMR publishes three issues: January-April, May-August, and September-December. From 2018, the Journal has been **accredited by the South African Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) on the Accredited Journal List.**

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AHMR actively contributes to SIHMA's overall goal of disseminating research that fosters the understanding of human mobility and informs policies that ensure the rights and dignity of migrants, asylum seekers and refugees in Africa.

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AFRICA ON THE MOVE 2021

TOTAL INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION STOCK WORLDWIDE IN 2020

280,6 MILLION

3,6% of total population worldwide (7.8 billion)*

TOTAL INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION STOCK IN AFRICA IN 2020

25,4 MILLION

1,9% of total population of Africa (1.3 billion)*

TOTAL POPULATION OF CONCERN TO UNHCR WORLDWIDE IN 2020

91,920,446**

Sources:

* www.migrationdataportal.org via UN DESA

** UNHCR. 2020. Global Report

*** UNHCR Refugee Data Finder www.unhcr.org



MALE AFRICAN MIGRANTS*

52,9%

FEMALE AFRICAN MIGRANTS*

47,1%



ADULT MIGRANTS IN AFRICA*

72,7%

MIGRANTS IN AFRICA UNDER 19*

27,3%



African countries hosting the highest number of international migrants in 2020**

1. South Africa	2,900,000
2. Côte d'Ivoire	2,600,000
3. Uganda	1,700,000
4. Sudan	1,400,000
5. Nigeria	1,300,000

African countries with the most international migrants by percentage of country population in 2020*

1. Gabon	18,7%
2. Equatorial Guinea	16,4%
3. Seychelles	13,3%
4. Djibouti	12,1%
5. Libya	12%

Countries with the highest Refugee Populations in Africa*

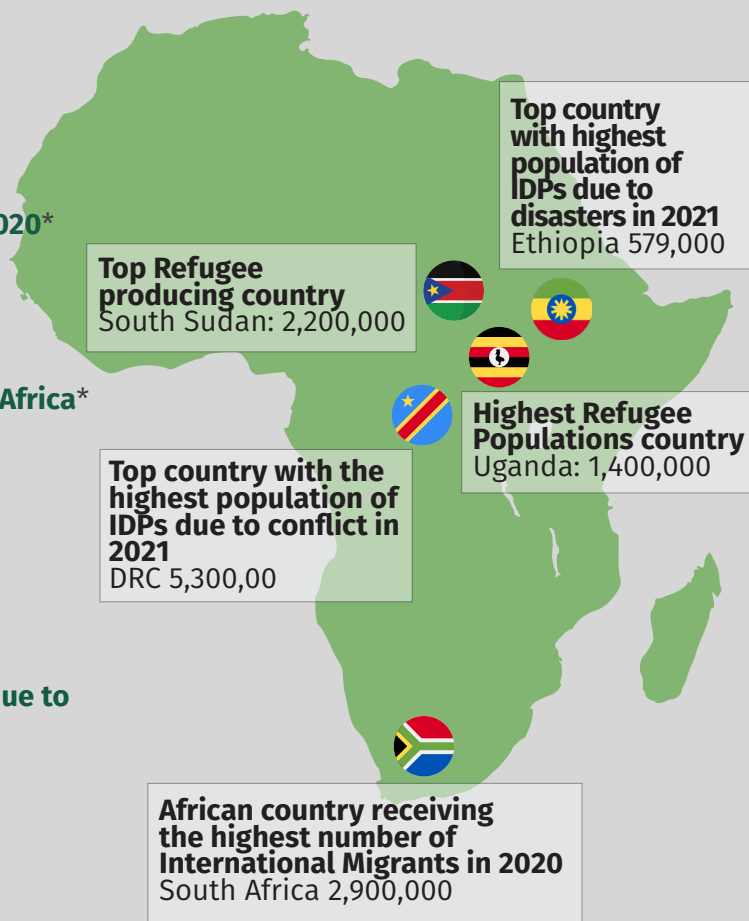
1. Uganda	1,400,000
2. Sudan	1,000,000
3. Ethiopia	800,500

Top 5 Refugee producing countries in Africa*

1. South Sudan	2,200,000
2. DRC	840,400
3. Somalia	814,600
4. Sudan	787,800
5. Central African Republic	642,400

African countries with highest population of IDPs due to conflict*

1. DRC	5,300,000
2. Ethiopia	3,600,000
3. Nigeria	3,200,000



Sources:

*www.migrationdataportal.org via UN DESA, UNHCR

**African Center for Strategic Studies. 2021.

African countries producing the highest number of asylum seekers*

1. DRC	145,400
2. Ethiopia	125,100
3. Nigeria	73,100
4. Sudan	69,700
5. Somalia	53,800

IDPs due to conflict worldwide*

Total	53,200,000
In 2021	14,400,000

IDPs due to disasters worldwide*

Total	5,900,000
In 2021	23,700,000

African countries with the highest population of IDPs due to disaster in 2021*

1. Ethiopia	579,000
2. South Sudan	527,000
3. DRC	201,000
4. Mozambique	138,000
5. Nigeria	107,000

African countries that saw the most growth in migrant stock in 2020 *

1. Sudan	16%
2. Uganda	14,1%
3. Egypt	8,6%
4. Somalia	7,1%

African countries that saw the most decline in migrant stock in 2020 *

1. Liberia	-4,9%
2. Guinea Bissau	-4,4%
3. South Africa	-2,4%
4. Sao Tome and Principe	-2,3%



AMOUNT OF REMITTANCE MONEY RECEIVED IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA IN 2020 (USD)*



PROPORTION OF SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA'S GDP THAT WAS COMPRISED OF REMITTANCES IN 2020*



AMOUNT OF REMITTANCE MONEY SENT FROM SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA IN 2020 (USD)*



AVERAGE COST OF SENDING REMITTANCES TO SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN IN 2020*

Africa's Annual Change in Migrant Stock in 2020*

+2,5%

Total number of International Migrants and Emigrants in Africa in 2020*

~66,000,000

Sources:
 * www.migrationdataportal.org via UN DESA, UNHCR, IDMC
 ** UNHCR. 2020. Global Report
 *** UNDESA. 2020. www.un.org



3. TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

Teaching and training are essential to allow migrants to access to knowledge about their rights and ensuring their dignity. SIHMA's mission is to 'conduct and disseminate research that contributes to the understanding of human mobility and informs policies that ensure rights dignity of migrants, asylum seekers and refugees in Africa.'

We realised this in the implementation of seminars, workshops and training sessions. We are still busy elaborating new curriculum for specific targeted audience.

CATHCA TRAINING

26-27 October 2021, St. Patrick La Rochelle by SIHMA, CATHCA, JRS

The SIHMA Legal Clinic at St. Patrick La Rochelle has had a good start since its establishment in September 2021, and it is already setting a very high standard in its operation and mission. The Legal Clinic was established with the mission to promote and protect the rights of human trafficking survivors through providing legal services, advocacy and networking. Besides this, the work that is done in the clinic also involves producing rich research that will help shape policies on counter-human trafficking, in addition to offering human trafficking training for key role players, government departments and civil society.

Human trafficking silently generates billions of dollars. This is largely due to people being unaware of the crime, and actors who should be key role players in preventing human trafficking not being well-equipped enough to counter it. Countering human trafficking starts with understanding human trafficking. A better understanding will make it easier to create policies and implement preventative measures to fight this crime. South Africa being an origin, transit and destination country for human trafficking means that training is urgently required. Therefore, training on human trafficking is of paramount importance to the mission of the Legal Clinic.

To kick-start the mission of the Legal Clinic, a two-day training session was held at St. Patrick La Rochelle on 26 – 27 October 2021. The training sessions was conveniently held at the Parish of La Rochelle, where the new Health Clinic is situated. The Parish is already immersed in the community and sees a high level of need, especially from vulnerable and poor migrants who are potential victims of gender-based violence and human trafficking. It is anticipated that the health clinic may provide much needed medical services to this vulnerable group in the community.

A total of 35 healthcare and social worker members from the Catholic Health Care Association (Cathca) and the Jesuit Refugee Services (JRS) from around Gauteng were the first to receive training – a group of people we will be working very closely with. Healthcare workers are likely to come across human trafficking victims in their profession due to the health consequences that victims suffer in the process of exploitation [2]. Social workers also play an important role in the mental, emotional and psychological well-being of human trafficking survivors upon rescue. Therefore, these key role players need to be trained on this issue. The training was offered by the knowledgeable legal team of the Legal Clinic.

Participants divided into five groups of five people to solve case studies and identify circumstances of human trafficking.

The training focused on introducing the phenomenon of human trafficking to the healthcare and social workers by sharpening their senses to be aware of potential cases of human trafficking in their daily duties, as trafficking exists even in the most inconspicuous of cases. The training also focused on steps to be taken when human trafficking is suspected through learning about the Trafficking in Persons legislation. Furthermore, the participants were informed about other role players involved for the



sake of networking and collaboration to counter human trafficking in South Africa.

As experienced agents within the health sector, the training participants were a very engaged and enthusiastic audience. They were eager to learn about human trafficking, offered their opinions and asked questions. Prior to the training, they were given a questionnaire to test their knowledge on human trafficking. The same questionnaire was given after the training to determine if the participants had gained more knowledge on the subject. Additionally, the participants were given the opportunity to do case studies taken from real cases to learn to identify if the situations presented classified as human trafficking or not. It gives us pleasure to boldly share that there was a huge improvement in the participants' knowledge in human trafficking. Not only did the participants acquire more knowledge on human trafficking, they now also understand how to identify victims of human trafficking, how they can play an essential role in countering human trafficking in their respective professional roles, while also sharing what they have learned with others. Knowledge is the first and best way to fight human trafficking. As the saying goes, knowledge is power.

Fundamentally, because the struggle against human trafficking requires coordinated efforts, it was envisioned that through networking, the healthcare and social workers who came from different parts of Gauteng, would use the contacts and knowledge gained through training to tackle cases of human trafficking in order to increase the success of their efforts. The SIHMA Legal Clinic's first training was a success, and it plans to conduct more training sessions for key role players, government departments and civil society. We intend to counter human trafficking through one training at a time, empowering each individual with knowledge that can help save a life or prevent human trafficking.



La migration comme libre choix

NOTRE ENGAGEMENT CONTRE L'EXPLOITATION DES MIGRANTS ET LEUR FAIBLESSES

DECOUVREZ QUI NOUS SOMMES

LEISAD COMMUNICATION WORKSHOPS

21 - 25 September 2020, Online platform

In the months of November/December 2021, a collaboration was initiated between SIHMA, the Scalabrinian Regional Communication Office and the NGO Leisad, located in Ivory Coast. With regard to the communication sector, we first sought to examine how much LEISAD had already produced at the media level and what tools it was using and most importantly, how. A researcher, Ljuba Scudieri, had already been working on the analysis for several months, and recently the Regional Communications Office joined in to try and draw conclusions and plan an "ad hoc" training sessions for LEISAD, led by Fr Gabriele Beltrami, director of UCOS. Among the many possible areas of intervention, a theoretical/practical approach was chosen that would directly involve all members of the NGO and provide tools to improve the content of institutional communication and one about the media used; specifically the

official website. Three meetings were held fortnightly, via virtual platform. The strong point was to recreate, even in the virtuality of the means, the style of the "agora" ("square" in greek) where we could meet and discuss any item on the agenda. Of course, we looked at LEISAD's slogan, which contained powerful terms (e.g., "fight"), which needed to be adequately justified in order to avoid the slightest misunderstanding; or we defined priorities among the actions provided for in the NGO's statute, choosing what was obviously of value, but could also bear immediate fruit; finally, we highlighted the partnerships entered into to date, also outlining a criterion of reciprocity in nurturing this network of relationships, prompting LEISAD to invite partners to keep abreast of what the NGO is promoting. Much remains to be done, but the logic pursued together with SIHMA aimed at empowering organizations by using their internal skills and not so much at long-term mentoring.

The training of migrant led organisations remains a priority of our institute.

TRAINING @ SIHMA

GENERAL INTRODUCTION TO HUMAN MOBILITY

This course aims to provide the essentials for the study and understanding of the phenomenon of migration for those who are approaching this field for the first time for work, study or simply for personal interest. Historical and structural elements of migration, terminology of the subject, description of the main actors and dynamics, interdisciplinary dimension of human mobility (social studies, politics and defence, economics).

TRAINING OF PASTORAL AGENTS OF HUMAN MOBILITY

This course is particularly aimed at all those, religious or lay, who work in the field of migration and directly or indirectly assist individual migrants or ethnic or linguistic communities. It aims to provide the basic elements for addressing the topic of migration and at the same time offers a biblical and theological framework for supporting pastoral ministry with migrants in the light of the teaching and practice of the Catholic Church. In addition to the more traditional presentations and lectures, the course offers multimedia material and practical workshops in which participants can interact with each other and with the facilitators.

TRAINING FOR GOVERNMENTS AND LOCAL ADMINISTRATIONS

This course is intended for government officials, civil servants and staff working in the field of migration who directly or indirectly assist individual migrants or ethnic or linguistic communities in the public arena or within governmental and non-governmental organisations. It aims to provide the basic elements of human mobility from a legal, policy and administrative perspective. Areas of interest include: the defence and protection of the human rights of migrants and refugees, international legislation, the national legal framework, detention, the relationship between public bodies and non-governmental organisations. It consists of several modules including lectures, multimedia contributions, group work and case studies.

COMMUNICATION, MEDIA AND THE NARRATIVE OF HUMAN MOBILITY

This course is designed for people involved in communication in organisations or offices dealing with migration issues. It also provides an orientation framework for those who want to know more about the reality of migrants and refugees on the African continent, beyond the stereotypes or biased information that is often conveyed in society or in the media. Among the tools offered are numerous multimedia contributions (in collaboration with other partners) for personal and group analysis and comparison with other experts in communication or artistic and video production.

In the implementation of this mission, and particularly dissemination, SIHMA has focused on sharing information on migration through a series of seminars, workshops and training sessions. We organised trainings for NPOs and pastoral agents of migration and we gave our contribution to University courses and the African Union curriculum for governments and public administration.

SIHMA is expanding its training programme and drawing on its experience together with its research outputs, including the AHMR journal publications, in the hope of delivering the best and most up to date training and seminars on pertinent migration topics. Training topics include exploring effective refugee protection, refugee status determination and recent changes in legislation, migrant children's rights, migrants' labour rights, access to health care and mental health rights and education rights, communication and narrative of migration. SIHMA is interested in ensuring that training is targeted in accordance with training demand. Hence, subject to the area of training being in line with SIHMAs objectives and within our expertise, we invite you or any government department or organisation or community that would like to receive training in a particular area to please contact admin@sihma.org.za and training may be facilitated accordingly.



4. EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Events and activities, seminars and conferences are usually a huge portion of our work of dissemination of findings and of networking in the field of human mobility. In 2021 SIHMA was very busy in multiple initiatives, attending virtual meetings and webinars on many different platforms. But we were also finally able to attend in person meetings and activities. And many more are coming soon!

MEETINGS AND WEBINARS ORGANISED OR ATTENDED

11 May 2021

MIGRANT DETENTION AND RETURN

Webinar, **Civil Society Action Committee**

The Civil Society Action Committee is a 'global platform for civil society engagement on migration policy and governance', including organisations working with migration and refugees, like: Amnesty International, Caritas Internationalis, International Catholic Migration Commission (ICMC), International Council of Voluntary Agencies (ICVA), International Detention Coalition (IDC), NGO Committee on Migration (NGO CoM), Save the Children (StC) and the Scalabrini International Migration Network (SIMN), Terre des Hommes (TdH) and the United Nations Major Group for Children and Youth (UN-MGCY). In this webinar the CSAC brought together multiple people from across the globe to enter a conversation about the detention and return of migrants. The goal was to spark and begin a global conversation on migrant organizations. Furthermore, those included in the webinar shared a common concern about the seeming normalization of detention and the resulting deprivation of human rights. For example, the harsh conditions of most detention centres, the lack of access to attorneys to provide legal representation, and the fact that many detention decisions are not reviewed by a judge. The discussion began with Michael Flynn, executive director of Global Detention Project, who answered the initial question "is it possible to have a global civil society advocacy on detention and if so, what does that look like?" Flynn turned to the example of the Global Compact on Migration. He believes the compact to contain many positive attributes; however, the compact presented, in Flynn's opinion, a one-size fits all narrative, which is not beneficial to the issue of detention and returns. The discussion continued on the legal framework of detention and migration, the procedures and their limits, the necessity and proportionality of detention decisions.

21 May 2021

LECTURE ON REFUGEE LAW

Virtual meeting, **University of Cape Town**

SIHMA's Project Manager, James Chapman gave a interesting lecture to the students of the University of Cape Town (UCT). The lecture was virtual

and during a morning session on the 21st of May 2021 and the topic of the talk was the Refugee Law. The discussion was well participated and received very good feedback from the students. We believe that teaching and training are essential for ensuring migrants access to and knowledge.

24 May 2021

THE YEARS WE HAVE BEEN NOWHERE FROM SIERRA LEONE TO EUROPE: TELLING ABOUT OTHERS

Facebook streaming event, **SIHMA**

For SIHMA, involvement in projects across the African Continent in different areas related to migration is always a source of new perspectives, different working models and enriching humanitarian collaborations. For this reason, SIHMA is developing a new collaboration with partners working in the field of media production in Sierra Leone and other African countries, supporting their effort to give voice to the stories of vulnerable migrants. We have been invited to talk about the dynamics of human mobility at the presentation of this documentary that will be released soon by Lucio Cascavilla and Mauro Piacentini. This is a great opportunity for SIHMA to explore different realities and additionally, to start a project that compiles the stories of the people who have been involved in the documentary, telling their experience of deportation. They shared a great source of information from a scientific point of view, allowing us to work on the interviews that they did for the making of the documentary, in order to collect data on the experience of returnees to Sierra Leone.

1 June 2021

SCALABRINI DAY EVENT

In person event, **SIHMA, SCTT and Lawrence House**

On 1 June Scalabrini Organisations across the world together with the broader global community celebrate and commemorate the Feast of Blessed John Baptist Scalabrini. At the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town on 1 June 2021, all staff and volunteers from that Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town, Lawrence House and SIHMA gathered to celebrate and reflect on the significance of the date and looked at vision and practices of Blessed John Baptist Scalabrini in the context of our past, current and future operation as Scalabrini organisations. Fr Filippo Ferraro together with the Board of Trustees for the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town reflected on the life and vision of Blessed John Baptist Scalabrini including the importance of listening and hearing from people on the move. Adopting a Holistic and welcoming approach, addressing all

stages of the migration Journey and striving for Justice, not only for Charity, led by the 4 verbs on migration from Pope Francis: to Welcome, Protect, Promote and Integrate. There after all the programmes and projects with in the Scalabrini Centre and SIHMA presented on their work and reflected on how our work corresponds with the vision and mission of the Founder.

29 June 2021

CLIMATE CHANGE AND MIGRATION

Webinar, **Civil Society Action Committee**

The webinar entailed a follow-up discussion built on action points raised in the previous webinar on Climate Change and Migration and addressed what should be included on the agenda from the point of view of civil society, regarding the challenges migrants face due to climate change. The program gave the opportunity to all participants to contribute and share their insights. This led to a great discussion on many of the actions points. Generally the discussion looked at: How do we move towards a more progressive policy regarding climate change and migration? ; What do we, civil society, want to be on the agenda? AMong the the following action points identified and discussed we stress the Objective 2: “Minimize the adverse drivers and structural factors that compel people to leave their country of origin” and the Objective 5: “Enhance availability and flexibility of pathways for regular migration”. Another topic that was heavily discussed during the webinar was lived experience data compared to classic data: since we hear stories from people all over the world regarding their challenges with climate change, there should be room for lived experience data in this discourse.

15 October 2021

LECTURE ON HUMAN MOBILITY IN AFRICA

Virtual meeting, **Catholic University of Milan**

Also this year, Fr Filippo Ferraro SIHMA Executive Director has been invited by Prof Laura Zanfrini to talk to the students of the courses related to human mobility. Prof Zanfrini is the Director of the WWell Research Center (Work, Welfare, Enterprise, Lifelong Learning) at the Department of Sociology, Catholic University. The intervention at the course started from the definition of the push/pull factor for migration, including the definitions of voluntary and forced migration, the role of the family network, the risks and costs of irregular migration, the migration industry, the role of transit countries and the different actors involved. In this context we then offered an insight into the work done by SIHMA and the Scalabrinian organisations in Africa, through scientific research,

journal publication, training but also social projects, advocacy and direct work with migrants and refugees. Very interesting was the exchange over time of questions and answers, where the students were able to interact on the issues they felt were closest and most interesting.

1 November 2021

SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGEMENT WITH A POLITICAL APPROACH'

Webinar, **SIMN Network**

As part of the SIMN Webinar Series, the Scalabrini International Migration Network team invited us to the event called “SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGEMENT WITH A POLITICAL APPROACH”, which aimed to provide a solid introduction to social networks and assertive communication tools with a political approach, to connect with the audiences and strengthen our work and promotion. It was an interesting and informative event, especially for organisation like SIHMA and SCCT active on social networks and in the field of advocacy and human rights.

7 November 2021

LECTURE ON RESEARCH ON HUMAN MOBILITY AND NGOS IN AFRICA

Virtual meeting, **Catholic University of Pavia**

In the framework of the Master's Course on Migration, Fr Filippo Ferraro gave a video presentation on African migration issues with particular reference to human trafficking circuits. In the first part, there was a presentation by Alessandro Baldo, a collaborator of ASCS and SIHMA in the design of Scalabrinian social projects, which focused on the characteristics of international migration and gender dynamics. Linked to this aspect, Fr. Ferraro also presented the work carried out by the Scalabrini Centre in the Women Platform programme, insisting on the fruitful combination of research and rigorous data collection on the one hand and direct listening to the migrants' experience on the other, as a characteristic of Scalabrinian work.

7 December 2021

TRAINING OF THE VATICAN SECTION FOR MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

Virtual meeting, **SIHMA**

This presentation by the director of SIHMA focused on the topic: What are the concrete prospects for migrants, refugees, displaced persons and victims of human trafficking in 2022? How has the Covid-19 pandemic affected these prospects? Through an analysis of data on human mobility on the continent, we tried to formulate some scenarios for the near future, taking into account the major challenges that people on the move will face from a social, political and economic perspective.



COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

We disseminate the findings of our research, publications, events and news about migration through different channels and media:



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You can easily navigate our website www.sihma.org.za, finding all you search about research, publications and reports, our online journal AHMR, resources concerning training and capacity building, events and news on human mobility



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BLOG ON THE MOVE

Our blog is an easy and quick way to know more about news and events concerning migration on the African continent and worldwide, through interesting articles, summaries of academic research, press and media reviews, and much more!



NEWSLETTER

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SIHMA ONLINE RESOURCES

SIHMA continues its mission to disseminate findings of research, articles and other material for wider and more correct information on human mobility.

Our target audience is very broad, ranging from academics to users seeking information on migration in Africa.

It includes teachers, students and staff specialised in study and research, but also non-profit and civil society workers, members of international organisations and volunteers engaged in field work supporting people on the move.

But every person even just curious to understand more or better the dynamics of migration flows, policies, economic impact, social dynamics, and the representation of human mobility in media and culture is a privileged interlocutor for us.

That is why we publish articles, blogposts and have started a section dedicated to online resources, offering information, infographics, figures but also bibliographies or references so that everyone can continue his or her own research, broaden their knowledge, deepen their vision.

In particular, we are preparing to launch an Atlas of African Migration in the coming months, an online platform that will offer detailed scientific information on human mobility in the different countries of the continent.

The intention is to have an up-to-date overview of the most interesting subjects of study and insight conducted at various levels.

Always with the intention of promoting a better knowledge of the migration phenomenon, in order to understand and interpret it by creating the conditions so that the movement of people is possible in freedom and dignity for all.

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

SIHMA has finally welcomed on board a full-fledged professional financial team this year, with which it has made some changes in the organisation's structure and implemented some important innovations that enable it to manage the organisation's finances in a more professional and qualified manner.

Among the various innovations and improvements are: the opening of new bank account/s with online banking, the migration from Sage software to QuickBooks Online, which allows for greater flexibility and accuracy, the new categorisation of income and expenses by funder and project, the use of new requisition forms for all payments, and a multiple verification system that guarantees transparency, accountability and segregation of responsibilities.

In addition, a thorough verification of credentials with SARS and VAT registration to ensure proper management of SIHMA as a Non Profit Organisation (NPO) and Public Benefit Organisation (PBO).

We have also initiated a legal consultation to verify the full compliance of the organisation's trust deed with the requirements for PBO status and the possible need to amend certain parts of it. Finally, one of the biggest changes was the change of auditors so that SIHMA annual financials could be fully externally audited. We ended our relationship with the previous firm - Solace Consulting - which we thank for having followed us over the years, and started a new collaboration with one of the most respected and competent audit firms in this field, PKF Auditors Constantia. PKF works with many businesses and organisations of all sizes and helps them to rise up and move forward, giving the focused support that developing structures require. They have a worldwide network that collaborate to deliver professional solutions but, at the same time, they have a local structure that assures direct and fast access to real support.

This is crucial so that SIHMA's research, publication, training and event activities can enjoy adequate financial support and the entire discipline of accounting operations does not burden the organisation's day-to-day management.

Transparent and streamlined management and reporting assures our donors and funders that every resource is used competently and fruitfully, even more so in view of our Institute's continental vocation. The beauty and importance of an international network and the deployment of research and activities across distant countries with different systems requires a flexible and accurate resource management structure. Our sincere appreciation to Malcolm, Siphosethu and Samantha for supporting this important transition.

PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT	2020-21	2021-22
Support from Headquarters	580,268	505,096
Grant Income - Local	500,000 -	-
Grant Income - Overseas	251,511	1,275,328
Income Generating Projects	-	561,492
Interest Earnings	12,892	19,399
TOTAL INCOME	1,344,670	2,361,315
Research & Publications	406,369	314,408
Operational Expenses	55,346	484,216
Website & Communications	35,853	79,439
Project Expenses	11,048	68,127
Staff Costs	462,960	747,083
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	971,576	1,693,272
BALANCE SHEET	2020-21	2021-22
Cash on Hand	664,305	1,280,742
Fixed Assets	49,437	49,437
Liabilities	-	(49,500)
Equity	713,742	1,381,785

Numbers in ZA Rands

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