On September 10, 2021 the Ministry of Labor and Social Protection of the Population of the Republic of Kazakhstan in cooperation with the IOM discussed the Draft Concept of the Migration Policy (2022-2026) with members of a Working Group including representatives of state bodies, non-governmental organizations, academia and international organizations.

The main purpose of the event was to discuss new conditions for the implementation of migration policy and to propose joint recommendations on the development migration policy in Kazakhstan for the period 2022-2026.

Please check following links to the national media that covered event:

более 1 млн казахстанцев ежегодно становятся мигрантами внутри страны — Forbes Kazakhstan
https://rossaprimavera.ru/news/0eapa89e
https://www.inform.kz/ru/sokraschenie-naseleniya-v-severnyh-regionah-kazahstana-otmechayut-eksperty-a3834917

Cooperation of the International Organization for Migration and the Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan

9 – 11 September 2021, Nur-Sultan. IOM and the Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan organized a training for 15 employees of the Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan. The training was organized in line with recommendations of the “Assessment of South-North Relocation Programme”, implemented by IOM research group in Kazakhstan in cooperation with the Ministry of Labor and Social Protection of the Population of the Republic of Kazakhstan in 2020-2021.

Zeynal Hajiyev, Sub-Regional Coordinator for Central Asia, Head of Mission, noted: "IOM provides unique resources aimed at supporting IOM Member States in their efforts to strengthen migration management capacity. We hope that through the training of civil servants, the implementation of migration policies in the main migration sectors, including labor migration and migration and development, will contribute to capacity-building in migration management.”
Making Migration work for Development in Kyrgyzstan

The IOM in Kyrgyzstan in partnership with the UNDP in the Kyrgyz Republic organized a Round Table on Making Migration work for Development in Kyrgyzstan, which took place on September 29, in blended format.

The event was planned considering the adoption of the Migration State Policy for 2020-2030 which calls for joint efforts and participatory consultations of key stakeholders on the positive role of migration for the development of Kyrgyzstan.

It was the first event of its planned series. During this event, the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic, backed by IOM and UNDP, will present the recently approved Concept of State Policy on Migration, and provide recent data on migration and impact of COVID-19. Bermet Moldobaeva, Head of IOM office in Kyrgyzstan presented recently published report Mapping of the Kyrgyz diaspora, compatriots, and migrants abroad stating that “80.2% of migrants are interested to financially contribute to the initiatives and projects aimed to boost the economic development”.

The first international online job fair for foreign employers in Kyrgyzstan

IOM in Kyrgyzstan participated at the first international online job fair for foreign employers.

The Information and Consultation Center under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic asked potential applicants to fill out the form and on 29 September potential employers presented its services, as a result recruitment agencies from Japan, Saint- Petersburg and other countries of Europe participated at the event. Bermet Moldobaeva, Head of IOM office in Kyrgyzstan participated at the event with opening remarks and welcomed efforts of the Department of the External Migration under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to promote safe and orderly migration, strengthen partnership with ethical employers in destination countries, and continue this practice onwards. IOM support was assured for implementation of the organized recruitment according to the International Ethical Recruitment standards.
IOM organized a national seminar for an inter-agency working group on Advance Passenger Information System

September 16, 2021, IOM in partnership with Ministry of Foreign Affairs and State Migration Service of Turkmenistan organized a national seminar for an inter-agency working group on Advance passenger information system. This seminar was conducted within the framework of the regional project "Implementation of the Advance Passenger Information (API) system in Central Asia", funded by the IOM Development Fund.

Objective of the seminar was to enhance the capacity of the Government of Turkmenistan in strengthening the effectiveness of border control management, good governance of border integrity through the use of passenger data for the benefit of migrants, society and sustainable socio-economic development.

On 27 September through 2 October 2021 IOM Tajikistan organized visit of the international consultants on migration and disability within the research on disability among returned Tajik migrants: professor Ryazantsev Sergey Vasyliyevich, Director of the Institute on Demographic Research of the Russian Academy of Science and professor Ivanova Alla Efimovna, head of the department on health and health seeking behavior of the Institute on Demographic Research.

A number of meetings with the national experts on migration, health and disability issues from the Ministry of health and social protection of RT, Ministry of labour, migration and employment of RT, specialists of the IOM and representative of NGOs are conducted.
On September 17, 2021 the workshop for related government officials on the topic of Implementation of Advance Passenger Information (API) system was held in Tashkent.

The main objective of the workshop was to explain the related government representatives the main advantages of API system and give them recommendations on how to implement API system in Uzbekistan. Participants were demonstrated presentations, such as on API system’s characteristics by Saptarishi Gulati, an international legal consultant of IOM, and on Standards and recommended practices of API system by Steven Waterman, an expert of ICAO. At the end of the workshop, government officials, who will visit Turkey for participation at API study tour were given additional instructions and explanations by IOM Uzbekistan staff.

On September 18, 2021, a training on the methodology of needs assessment at the Points of Entry in Uzbekistan was held in Tashkent.

The training took place as part of the project "Enhancing Health and Border Management in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan to Respond to COVID-19 and Other Communicable Diseases" and was organized by CDC and IOM.

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