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African Intermediary Cities as Actors and Partners in Urban Migration Governance



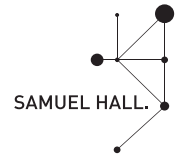
**Stakeholder mapping in
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Africa is witnessing an ongoing transformation from rural to increasingly plural urban societies. While this transformation has been well-documented, the focus of scholarship and practice has been predominantly on human mobility towards and into major urban areas and capital cities. In contrast, intermediary cities, the in-between the rural and the metropolitan, have been largely absent in academic and policy debates. The Equal Partnerships project explores the opportunities and challenges of collaborative, urban migration governance in African intermediary cities. The project was jointly developed and is implemented by the Friedrich-Alexander-University Erlangen-Nürnberg, the city network United Cities and Local Governments of Africa (UCLG Africa), the German Institute of Development and Sustainability (IDOS), and the social enterprise Samuel Hall. Supported by the Robert Bosch Stiftung, the project works in cooperation with six intermediary cities in East, North, and West Africa. Through participatory research, workshops, and networking formats, the project brings together local, national, and international actors to develop practical impulses and policy recommendations to co-shape multi-stakeholder partnerships for urban migration governance in African intermediary cities.



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Stakeholder mapping

Description of the activities of stakeholders / actors

Name	Level of governance	Topics	Target groups	Partners
Public Actors				
Department of Children	Regional level	Child protection	Children	UNICEF
		Help children return back to origins (referral)		Government of Ghana
		Convene the regional child protection committee		DOVSU Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly
		Community engagement e.g. I WILL campaign		Moslem community NGOs and CSOs Ghana Police Service - Anti-trafficking unit Ghana Immigration Service Labor department
Ghana Health Service	National level	Health screenings	Women, children	Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly
		Awareness campaigns		Social Welfare Department NADMO Ghana Immigration Service
Ghana Police Service Anti-Trafficking Unit	Local Level	Support trafficked migrants to return	Trafficked migrants	Ghana Immigration Service
		Liaise with partners to provide temporary shelter for migrants prior to return		NGOs Social welfare IOM
		Liaise with partners to support returnees with skills training for reintegration		National Agency for the Prohibition of Trafficking in Persons (NAPTIP)
		Anti-trafficking campaigns		

Labor department	Local level	Awareness campaigns on irregular migration out of Ghana Monitoring and enforcement of labor laws	Internal Migrant workers	Defense for children international Ghana Immigration Service Ministry of Foreign Affairs Social Welfare Children department Defense for Children International IOM GIZ Local Radio Stations
National Disaster Management Organization (NADMO)	National level	Humanitarian assistance after “disasters” Liaise with private sector entities for assistance	Communities affected by disasters	Regional office Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly Radio stations Emergency service Health directorate Physical planning department Private entities
Regional – Gender department	Regional level	Sensitization Collaborate with social welfare to provide shelter	Women and children	NGOs DOVSU UNFPA
Social welfare and community department (KMA)	City level	Support internal migrants Refer cases to appropriate departments/ agencies Implement national development programs e.g. LEAP Address child abuse cases Implement state policies	Vulnerable groups e.g. aged, women, children, persons with disabilities	NGOs Ghana Immigration Service Ghana Police Service NHIS DOVSU Labor department

NGOs, Civil Society Actors, Faith Based Actors				
NGOs	Local level	Implementing partners for city departments, private institutions and international organizations Awareness campaigns Connect migrants in need with resources Advocacy	Migrants (internal and external)	Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly Social welfare department Children department Gender department International donors e.g. IOM Private hospitals
Religious communities (Muslim and Christian)	Regional level	Provide food to migrants Temporary shelter	Men, Women, Children	Donors (citizens)
Transport Union	Local level	Drivers transport migrants within Ghana and also migrants from across the border Some bus companies partner with government agencies to repatriate migrants in voluntarily return cases but also for deportation	All migrants	Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly (provide information to them on request) Regional National Motor Traffic Transport Department (MTTD) Road Safety

Academic actors				
Department of Geography, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST)	Local Level	Research on migration and urbanization dynamics in Kumasi and the Ashanti Region	Research community	N/A

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