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Scalabrini Institute for
Human Mobility in Africa

A photograph of an elderly woman with short, grey hair, wearing a red and white patterned shawl. She is holding a young child in a pink and white striped tank top. The child is looking towards the camera. In the background, another person's hand is visible, and the wall is made of reddish-brown bricks.

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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



Dear colleagues and friends of our Institute,
The release of an official report is always a precious opportunity to look at the many things done during this last year, the steps we moved forward, as well as the mistakes we can learn from and the new ideas and projects that keep us busy every day. What is clear to my mind, after my first year as Executive Director, is how **SIHMA is growing**: reinforcing its identity and mission, multiplying activities, and creating networks.

Focused on every aspect of migration, we aim at investigating the social, economical, and political implications of this phenomenon for migrants, refugees, IDPs and all the categories of people that are part of **human mobility in Africa**.

On the one hand, as a Study centre that is gaining its role and reputation in the academic field, we try to do our work with **professional skills and rigorous methods**, being accurate in collecting and analysing data for our research and surveys. On the other hand, faithful to **our vision and original ethos**, inspired by our Scalabrinian values and identity, we take a deeper look into migration through our specific holistic approach, **respectful of the dignity** and the material and spiritual nature and needs **of every human being**.

This is what you will find, flipping the pages of this report, full of information, news and infographics related to our activities: **people behind the figures**.

This is because we are moved by an ethos to play a key role in the research on the migratory phenomenon, which pushes us to do it with passion and commitment, in partnership with many other stakeholders: we hope that every step we achieve in research, formation and dissemination of findings can be a real help and an instrument of transformation, empowerment and resilience for people on the move in this wonderful and troubled continent, that is Africa.

Filippo Ferraro, SIHMA Executive Director

SCALABRINI, SERVING PEOPLE ON THE MOVE

The Congregation of the Missionaries of St. Charles – Scalabrinians – is an international community of men who have as their identity and mission to religious missionaries, who follow in the footsteps of Bishop Scalabrini on behalf of the migrants.

The Congregation of the Missionaries of St. Charles or Scalabrinians was founded by Blessed John Baptist Scalabrini, Bishop of Piacenza, on November 28, 1887, to assist the migrants who were crossing the Atlantic to reach the Americas. The beginnings of our Congregation were humble and unpretentious: just two Italian priests who made their vows in the hands of our Founder.

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, our Congregation is present in thirty-two countries, with about 600 missionaries and about 400 seminarians, coming from twenty nations. We assist migrants to promote a more humane society where the migrant is not seen as a foreigner or an illegal, but where the migrant can be recognized with his dignity and his full rights, as a member of the human family.

By the word “migrants” we mean not only permanent migrants, but also temporary migrant workers, refugees, and seafarers. We exercise our ministry of consecrated people in parishes, missions, chaplaincies, reception centres, shelters for the migrants, and at seaports.

We are present in national and diocesan Church organisms; in centres of migration studies, like SIHMA; in the teaching and in-depth study of the pastoral care of migrants through the Scalabrini International Migration Institute (SIMI).

We engage in lobbying and advocacy through the Scalabrini International Migration Network (SIMN) and through an international network of public and private institutions dealing with the world of migration.

KEY WORDS

for our presence and ministry in our missions, 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

OUR AREAS OF WORK



Pastoral care and spiritual assistance of people on the move



Social projects, research on human mobility, promotion of human rights



Activities linked with our charism and promotion of our spirituality




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.

A close-up photograph of a woman and a young child. The woman, on the left, is wearing a patterned headwrap and a dark top with a yellow and red shawl draped over her shoulder. She has a gentle smile and is looking towards the camera. The child, on the right, is wearing a plaid shirt and has a serious expression, with their hand near their mouth. The background is slightly blurred, showing a white plastic basin and other people in a clinical or community setting.

FOR THOSE, WHO LOOK
AT ALL SUFFERING CAUSED MIGRATION,
AND ASK THEMSELVES NONCHALANTLY:
“AND WHY ARE SO MANY PEOPLE MIGRATING?”
THERE IS AN EASY REPLY:
IN MOST CASES, EMIGRATION IS NOT A SPORT,
BUT RATHER AN UNAVOIDABLE NECESSITY.

BL. JOHN BAPTIST SCALABRINI, 1887



CAPE TOWN SOUTH AFRICA 1994

Ethnic and linguistic Chaplains
Pastoral care of migrants and refugees
Scalabrini Centre
SIHMA
Apostleship of the Sea
Vocational promotion and formation



NAMPULA MOZAMBIQUE 2005

Pastoral care and spiritual assistance
Human development promotion
Maratane Refugee Camp Projects
Nutritional Centre for Children
Children Educational Project
Agricultural Programme



JOHANNESBURG SOUTH AFRICA 2011

Multi-ethnic and multi-lingual Parish
Archdiocesan Pastoral Care
of migrants and refugees
Social projects

25 YEARS OF SCALABRINI IN AFRICA

In 2019 the Congregation of Missionaries of St Charles, commonly known as Scalabrinian Fathers, will celebrate the silver jubilee, 25 years of their presence and service on the African soil. Although the Congregation was founded in the late nineteenth century and it has spread to other continents in the earlier stage after its foundation, in 1994 they felt it was the time to explore any new country on the continent of Africa.

In those years, the Scalabrinian missionaries have expanded their pastoral and social projects in the care of migrants, refugees and seafarers in the other geographical areas of Southern Africa.

When they arrived, they settled in Cape Town. Lately, they have opened other missions in Johannesburg and Nampula in Mozambique.

Their presence in these areas of Africa has been of great significance to the population of migrants, refugees and seafarers, for they arrived at the right time when their services were most needed.

The African continent is still the place where million of people are moving across borders, looking for protection or better conditions of life.

The ministry and the experience of Scalabrini missionaries and their organisations are still needed and requested in many areas.

That's why our commitment and our desire to serve people of the move in Africa is now pushing us towards new destinations and new projects.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

In recent years the focus of the traumas around the refugee and migrant experiences has been largely seen through its impacts on and narratives emerging from Europe and North America.

Sadly the clamor on those continents has rendered **the vast movement of people in Africa** almost invisible and silent.

It is estimated that at least 26% of all people on the move internationally, move in and through the vast expanses of the African continent. Some set the figure much higher.

Whatever the percentages, each statistic represents a person with individual hopes and dreams, in addition to their anxieties and fears, legacies of danger and vulnerability.

As with every vulnerable group, any desire to accompany such people, to give substance to their dreams and sustain their hope demands a thorough understanding of their realities.

SIHMA stands amongst the few institutions in Africa that seeks **to understand the multiple dynamics that contribute to such accompaniment**, speaks into those diverse situations, and honour the values embedded in the noble protocols and policies which govern this universe. SIHMA is committed to providing a thorough intellectual grounding, through sound analysis and the development of a rights-based praxis and pointed advocacy for displaced persons.

Without such research and without developing life-giving synergies, the entire accompaniment process would be faulty and soulless.

Thus, SIHMA provides **a vital service to understanding the realities of the vulnerable people on the move** and developing paths beyond the pathologies that often ensnare them. This is an exceptionally valuable service.

SIHMA also brings to the table a powerful wisdom drawn from the deep wells of its faith foundation. In a moment of history so distorted by cheap populism and sound bites, faith provides **another way of seeing issues**, another means of enriching the mind, and of expanding the heart so that we, who are honored to be part of SIHMA's ministry, can give public significance to our private beliefs.

I think of SIHMA as **a laboratory** for new and creative ways of crafting life-giving environments, a platform for multidisciplinary conver-



sations in this contested domain and an energy for doing advocacy that allows the continent, in the poignant words of the Nobel laureate Chief Albert Luthuli, 'to be a home for all.'

SIHMA is already a microcosm of this shared home and **a place where study is at the service of growth into a fuller humanity.**

When I think of SIHMA and the populations it serves, I often think of Shakespeares' words that 'we know what we are but we know not what we may be.'

SIHMA dreams and works strenuously to accompany people into being the best person they can be.

Fr. Peter John Paerson
SIHMA's Board member and Director of CPLO



Fr. Gerardo Garcia

Gerardo is a missionary of the Scalabrinian Congregation (Missionaries of San Charles Borromeo) and one of the founding trustees of the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town. He is the President of the Board.



Dulce Pereira

Dulce, after retiring from Standard Bank started to work as volunteer with the Scalabrini Fathers, becoming later 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 San Charles Borromeo) based in Johannesburg at St. Patrick La Rochelle, a multi-cultural community hosting locals, migrants and refugees.



Fr. Peter John Paerson

Peter-John is a priest of the Archdiocese of Cape Town, where he is General Vicar and Director of the Catholic Parliamentary Liaison Office (CPLO).



Elaine Maane

Elaine works for Steps Southern Africa, a regional project using films to communicate social issues, as Trainer Officer in the Southern and East African region. She conducts training workshops to impart facilitation skills, using films as a tool to create community dialogue.



Fr. Filippo Ferraro

Filippo is a missionary of the Scalabrinian Congregation and studied pastoral care of migration. He worked as Chaplain to the French-speaking Refugee Community in Cape Town and he is now the Coordinator of the social projects of the Scalabrinian Congregation in Africa.

The organisation is governed by a Board of Trustees who oversee 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.

THIS HUGE INCREASE OF MIGRATION IS NOT A TEMPORARY PHENOMENON, LIKE AN IDEA THAT CAN SUDDENLY EXCITE A SINGLE PERSON OR AN ENTIRE POPULATION, BUT THE REAL EXPRESSION OF A PERMANENT SITUATION. THE LARGE AND CONTINUAL DEPARTURES TO AMERICAS THAT JOURNALISTS ARE DAILY REPORTING TELL US THIS. BL. JOHN BAPTIST SCALABRINI, 1891

OUR ORGANISATION

Based in Cape Town, South Africa and established in 2014, the Scalabrini Institute for Human Mobility in Africa is a Non-Profit and Public Benefit Organisation.

SIHMA joins an existing network of seven established research centres around the globe, located in Manila, Buenos Aires, Sao Paulo, Paris, Rome and New York.

These centres are supported by the Missionaries of St. Charles Scalabrinians, a Congregation of the Catholic Church devoted to the care of migrants, refugees and seafarers.

Research centres in this long-established network study the movement of populations around the world, publish books and peer-reviewed journals, and organize conferences, seminars and training courses. SIHMA's work is founded on the Scalabrini ethos and inspired by universal values such as **respect for human dignity and diversity**.

Since its establishment, SIHMA has gained good visibility and has formed solid partnerships with research institutes and civil societies, not only in South Africa, but also in the other countries. SIHMA is also part of the Scalabrini International Migration Network (SIMN), a leading global network that serves migrants, refugees, internally displaced persons, seafarers, itinerants, and advocates for their dignity and rights worldwide.



**MIGRATION IS UNDOUBTEDLY
A GOOD THING FOR BOTH
THOSE WHO LEAVE
AND THOSE WHO REMAIN,
A TRUE SOCIAL SAFETY VALVE,
OPENING NEW AVENUES
FOR COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY,
BLENDING AND PERFECTING
CIVIL SOCIETY, BROADENING
THE CONCEPT OF MOTHERLAND
BEYOND GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES,
MAKING THE WHOLE WORLD
HUMANITY'S MOTHERLAND.
BUT IT IS ALWAYS
A VERY GREIVIOUS TRAVESTY
FOR INDIVIDUALS AND NATIONS,
WHEN IT IS ALLOWED
TO TAKE PLACE WITHOUT LAW,
WITH NO RESTRAINTS OR GUIDANCE,
OR EFFECTIVE PROTECTION.**

BL. JOHN BAPTIST SCALABRINI, 1891

OUR SIHMA TEAM



Filippo Ferraro
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Fr. Filippo Ferraro 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 is the Executive Director of SIHMA and Coordinator of all social projects of the Scalabrinian Congregation in Africa. He's also in charge of the communication management of the Institute.



Sergio Carciotto
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Sergio worked with the Scalabrini Institute for Human Mobility in Africa (SIHMA) since its foundation in 2014. He previously worked in South Africa for local NGOs and in Italy for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. He's currently the Associate Director, coordinating all the research programmes. He holds an MA Degree in Development Studies from the University of the Western Cape in South Africa and an MA Degree in Refugee Rights and Migration Studies from La Sapienza University in Rome. One of his main focus areas is migration policies in Southern African countries.



Dr. Mulugeta Dinbabo
AHMR Chief Editor
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Prof Dinbabo obtained his Doctoral Degree in Development Studies from the University of the Western Cape. He also has two MA degrees in Development Management (Ruhr University Germany) and Development Studies (University of the Western Cape). He is the Director of the Institute for Social Development and member of many boards and research networks. He has a sound knowledge of the fields of social and economic development, microsimulation, modelling and migration. He is the Chief Editor of our journal, African Human Mobility Review.



Daluxolo Moloantoa
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Currently studying towards a BA Communication degree with the University of South Africa (UNISA), Daluxolo is a passionate individual motivated by social activism. He is filled with astonishment at how social media as a communication tool can be used to educate, empower and connect the dots between those in the know and those not relating to migration and everyday issues. He follows our social media accounts on Twitter and Facebook, also selecting the monthly Press review and articles of significant interest and news concerning human mobility.

SIHMA VOLUNTEER AND INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME

Explore the two profiles of our Volunteer Programmes, checking our website for qualifications, skills and attributes needed, as well as the length of commitment. Their main tasks are:

COMMUNICATION AND ADMINISTRATION

- Reception with various tasks, dealing with calls and emails, photocopies, administration.
- Assisting in events management for workshops, roundtables, seminars and conferences.
- Assisting in social media management (posts for our Facebook and Twitter account).
- Writing reports of our activities and events (both for magazines and our website).
- Researching and writing interesting or topical articles related to our work.
- Creating knowledge products (videos, keynotes, articles) from the existing material of our journal or other journals.
- Checking and selecting material to be published on our website.

RESEARCH INTERN

- 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;
- Administrative assistance and support, which may include assistance with the upkeep of records and databases;
- 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.

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.



LICIA CALCAGNO, INTERN AT SIHMA

I studied for an MA in Advanced Migration Studies at the University of Copenhagen, Denmark and applied for this internship with SIHMA to fulfil my study requirements. I was thrilled to have this opportunity because I believed, and I still do, that European institutions focus a lot on migration towards Europe while they tend to disregard migration flows in the rest of the world, especially South-South migration.

Thanks to my internship with SIHMA, I was able to learn more about migration flows within Africa. I mainly helped looking for data and writing reports for different stakeholders. This task allowed me to learn about South African migration policies, asylum and refugee policies and general African migration issues. SIHMA aims at conducting research throughout the African continent. The aim is vast, which means that there is always something new to learn. I was very happy to be able to contribute to the creation of the African Atlas of Migration because it made me realize the vastness of this beautiful continent.

My studies in migration helped me to give a structure to the countries migration profile while the task in itself provided me with a lot of new migration information. I really enjoyed acquiring all this new information, and I also loved being able to support the Scalabrini Centre's English School in some of its activities. On these occasions, I was able to be in direct contact with asylum seekers and refugees. Getting to know migrants in South Africa further supported my idea that the study of human mobility is essential in order to support and help people who are in need of protection or who simply try to build a better life for themselves and their families. Overall, I am very grateful for this experience and would not hesitate to repeat it again.

OUR PARTNERS

Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town

SIHMA's physical location at the Scalabrini Centre, combined with a shared value set and ethical approach to the issues of migration, presents a unique opportunity to explore the synergies between its research agenda and Scalabrini Centre's advocacy, outreach and service provision work.

Catholic Parliamentary Liaison Office (CPLO)

This Office of the Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference (SACBC) is the official vehicle for contact and dialogue between the Catholic Church, the country's Parliament, and government. It provides an avenue for the Church – as part of civil society – to contribute to debates on issues of public policy, to exert an influence for the common good in areas of political, economic and social concern, and to help shape legislative and policy developments.

The Institute for Social Development (ISD, UWC)

Co-hosting seminars to enhance the debate around migration in South Africa, the Institute for Social Development (ISD) from the University of Western Cape (UWC) develops cooperation at the institutional level by undertaking joint projects and programs concerning research and studies on human mobility in Africa.

The Organization for Social Science Research in Eastern and Southern Africa (OSSREA)

OSSREA is a regional membership-based and donor-supported research and capacity-building organization whose mission is to promote dialogue and interaction between researchers and policy-makers in Eastern and Southern Africa.

Centre of Study of Migration, Accra University

Established in November 2006, it is located within the premises of International House at the University of Ghana. Its mandate is to undertake research, teaching, training, capacity building, policy assessment, development and dissemination in the area of migration research.

The African Centre for Migration & Society (ACMS)

Established in 1993, ACMS is an independent and interdisciplinary institution at the University of the Witwatersrand (Johannesburg) focused on the relationships among human movement politics, poverty, and social transformation. The Centre conducts collaborative scholarly and policy-oriented work across sub-Saharan Africa, as well as training to students and professionals on a number of topics including the sociology of migration, mobility and health, human rights, and research methods.

Centro Scalabriniano de Estudos Migratórios (CSEM)

This international Institution based in Brasília (Brazil) was founded in 1988 by the Congregation of the Scalabrinian Sisters – Missionaries of St. Charles. Linked with universities and other institutions, it promotes research, surveys, publications and events on the topic of human mobility. The mission of CSEM is the production of scientific knowledge for the promotion of human rights and the building of a world where nobody is a stranger.

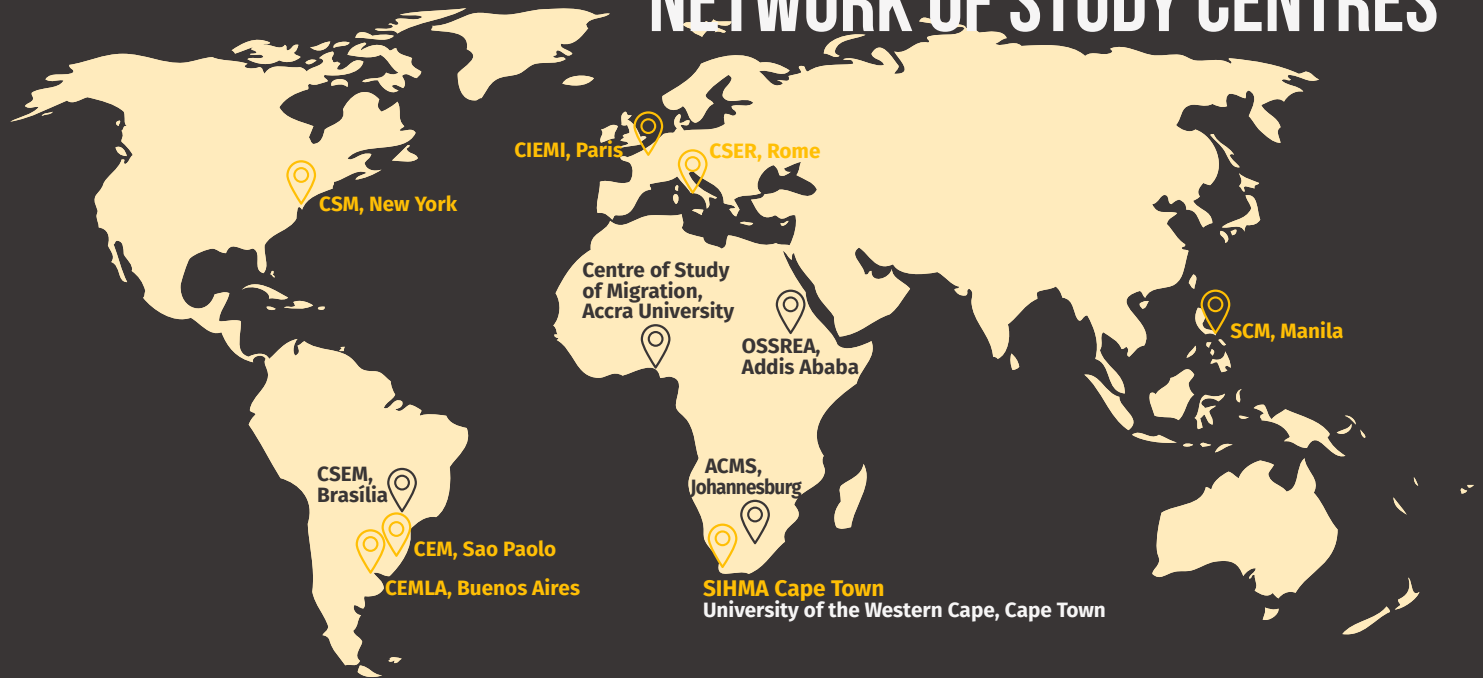


The Scalabrini International Migration Network (SIMN) is an umbrella organization established in 2007 by the Congregation of the Missionaries of Saint Charles, Scalabrinians. SIMN encompasses more than 250 grassroots Scalabrini entities that serve and advocate for the dignity and rights of migrants, 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 Paolo
Centro de Estudios Migratorios, established in 1985 in Sao Paolo (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, Cape Town
Scalabrini Institute for Human Mobility in Africa, established in 2014 in Cape Town (South Africa) is one of seven research centres of the Scalabrini Federation.
www.sihma.org.za



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Human Mobility in Africa

MAIN AREAS OF WORK

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





**SEEDS MIGRATE ON THE WINGS OF THE WIND.
PLANTS MIGRATE FROM CONTINENT TO CONTINENT ON THE WAVES OF THE SEAS AND RIVERS.
BIRDS AND OTHER ANIMALS MOVE FROM PLACE TO PLACE.
BUT EVEN MORE DO HUMAN BEINGS MIGRATE, SOMETIMES IN GROUPS, SOMETIMES ALONE,
AND, IN SO DOING, ARE ALWAYS THE FREE INSTRUMENTS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE,
WHICH PRESIDES OVER HUMAN DESTINY, LEADING ALL PEOPLE, EVEN THROUGH GREAT CALAMITIES,
TO THEIR FINAL GOAL: THE PERFECTION OF MAN ON EARTH AND THE GLORY OF GOD IN HEAVEN.
BLESSED JOHN BAPTIST SCALABRINI, 1876**

1. RESEARCH

MANUFACTURING ILLEGALITY: THE IMPACT OF CURTAILING ASYLUM SEEKERS' RIGHT TO WORK IN SOUTH AFRICA

This report explores the development of new asylum seeker policy aimed at curtailing asylum seekers' right to work in South Africa whilst they await the finalisation of claims, and what the country can learn from similar policy developments in the European Union. It shows that curtailing the right to work is a manifestation of a broader political trend to limit asylum seeker entitlements and protections in the country, which is largely driven by concerns regarding perceived abuse of the asylum system by 'economic migrants'.

The project was funded by the **Hanns Seidel Foundation**. The research findings and the recommendations presented here are informed by field assessments and desk research into the development of new asylum seeker policy aimed at curtailing asylum seekers' right to work in South Africa. The research team includes Sergio Carciotto, associate director of SIHMA, Dr Vanya Gastrow, post-doctoral researcher at the University of Cape Town, and Corey Johnson, advocacy officer at the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town. The Somali Association of South Africa and the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town helped us to arrange and coordinate focus group discussions and provided venue facilities.



REFUGEE AND ASYLUM SEEKING REPRESENTATIVE STRUCTURES AND THEIR COMMUNITIES IN SOUTH AFRICA

The global refugee population is becoming increasingly urbanized with more than half of all refugees living in urban areas. In South Africa, in lieu of its uniqueness urban refugee policy of "non-encampment", it is imperative that detailed and comparative research is conducted on a national scale.

For this reason, the **United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR)** in South Africa, commissioned the **University of the Western Cape**, in partnership with **SIHMA**, a study to assist UNHCR and its partners to better understand the nature of refugee-led community organizations, especially their organization, reach, leadership and the extent to which they are representative of the constituencies they serve.

This information will assist UNHCR to design better two-way communication mechanisms with refugee communities and strengthen protection partnerships for refugees and asylum seekers.

Furthermore, this research will contribute to existing refugee integration literature and further our general understanding of the realities faced by refugees who are attempting to rebuild their lives in new urban contexts.

Main objectives of the workshop were:

- to present, discuss and validate the draft report: Refugee and Asylum Seeking Representative Structures and their Communities in South Africa;
- to review and provide input on the draft's recommendations and examine their practicality;
- to facilitate exchange of experience and knowledge amongst stakeholders and UNHCR's partners.

The findings and the recommendations of the research were informed by comprehensive field assessments, surveys and desk research into the representative structures and communities of refugees and asylum seeking populations in South Africa.

The research team included Prof Mulugeta F. Dinbabo, Prof Yanga Zembe, Dr Sharon Penderis, Sergio Carciotto, Dr Chris Nshimbi, Dr Vanya Gastrow, Michael Nguattem Belebema, Jonas Nzabamwita, Kenny Chiwarawara, Maryan A. Ahmed, Murus Gidey Alemu and Leon Tshimpaka Mwamba.

MIGRANT MINISTRY IN AFRICA

This report, funded by the Migrant and Refugee Section of the Dicastery for Integral Human Development, aims to contribute to the public debate on contemporary migration by providing comprehensive and up-to-date statistics concerning actions promoted by Catholic organizations and agencies to welcome, integrate, and promote self-reliance amongst refugees and migrants in Africa.

It also seeks to highlight good practices and strengthen dialogue and collaboration between Catholic institutions on the continent. The report is not exhaustive and represents the first attempt to develop a single database on all activities implemented by Catholic organizations to assist people on the move in Africa, where the Church plays a key role as defender of migrants and refugees subjected to abuse, exploitation, and violence.

The Catholic community actively provides pastoral care, social services, education, and advocacy to migrants and refugees in need. The work that Catholic agencies (i.e., dioceses, parishes, and religious congregations) conduct throughout the African continent gives thousands of refugees and migrants hope, promotes their safety, and restores their dignity.

NUMBER OF PEOPLE ASSISTED BY DIFFERENT PROJECTS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN AFRICA IN 2017



699,488

IDPs, Asylum Seekers,
and Refugees



129,265

Internal and International
Migrants in the continent



1,375

Victims of
Human Trafficking

PROJECTS PROVIDE EDUCATION, LIVELIHOODS, PSYCHOSOCIAL OR PASTORAL ASSISTANCE, EMERGENCY, ADVOCACY, HEALTH CARE AND SHELTER

2. PUBLICATIONS

2018 INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION POLICY REPORT “PERSPECTIVES ON THE CONTENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GLOBAL COMPACT FOR SAFE, ORDERLY, AND REGULAR MIGRATION”

This report features several articles focusing on issues discussed and negotiated by United Nations (UN) member states in producing the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly, and Regular Migration (“the Compact”). The final draft of the Global Compact was agreed to in New York by 191 member states on July 13, 2018, with final adoption of the document set for December 2018 at an intergovernmental conference in Marrakesh, Morocco. The articles, written by global Scalabrini Migration Study Centers founded by the Congregation of the Missionaries of St Charles, Scalabrinians, provide best practices and recommendations on important migration policy issues included in the Compact. The study centres contributing to the report include the Center for Migration Studies of New York (CMS), the Scalabrini Migration Center (SMC) in the Philippines, the Scalabrini Institute for Human Mobility in Africa (SIHMA), and the Fondazione Centro Studi Emigrazione - Roma (CSER). The report also includes shorter essays from special contributors to CMS addressing other important topics addressed by the member states during the negotiations of the Compact. The appendix features a sampling of interventions made by the Scalabrini International Migration Network (SIMN) and CMS during the negotiation process.

Sergio Carciotto, executive director of SIMHA in Cape Town, South Africa, addresses the issue of labor migration in his paper, “The Regularization of Zimbabwean Migrants: A Case of Permanent Temporariness.” Using the example of Zimbabwean labourers in South Africa, he makes the case that migrant workers should be eligible for permanent residence after a certain length of time working in a host nation, as they have contributed to the host nation’s economy and culture. Permanent residence would also ensure that workers can market their skills and fully contribute to their new country, while also being protected from workplace abuse and exploitation.

Speaking to the Plenary Council of the International Catholic Migration Commission (ICMC) in March 2018, Pope Francis stated that the Church “must encourage countries to coordinate more suitable and effective responses to the challenges posed by issues of migration.” He also recognized the important role of the Church in providing leadership and service to the most vulnerable of those among us, including persons on the move: “Today, as in the past, liberating the poor,

the oppressed, and the persecuted is an integral part of the mission entrusted by God to the Church.” This report was edited by J. Kevin Appleby, Senior Director for International Migration Policy for CMS and the Scalabrini International Migration Network (SIMN), and by Donald Kerwin, Executive Director of CMS, with the support of Fr. Leonir Chiarello, c.s., Executive Director of SIMN. This report aims to contribute to the public debate on contemporary migration by providing comprehensive and up-to-date statistics concerning actions promoted by Catholic organizations and agencies to welcome, integrate, and promote self-reliance amongst refugees and migrants in Africa. It also seeks to highlight good practices and strengthen dialogue and collaboration between Catholic institutions on the continent. The report, funded by the Migrant and Refugee Section of the Dicastery for Integral Human Development, is detailed, but not exhaustive and represents the first attempt to develop a single database on all activities implemented by Catholic organizations to assist people on the move in Africa.

In Africa, the Church’s role as defender of migrants and refugees is more important than ever, as those on the move continue to be subjected to abuse, exploitation, and violence. The Catholic community actively provides pastoral care, social services, education, and advocacy to migrants and refugees in need. The work that Catholic agencies (i.e., dioceses, parishes, and religious congregations) conduct throughout the African continent gives thousands of refugees and migrants hope, promotes their safety, and restore their dignity.



AFRICAN HUMAN MOBILITY REVIEW (AHMR)

African Human Mobility Review (AHMR) is an interdisciplinary journal created to encourage and facilitate the study of all aspects of human mobility in Africa. Established in 2014, AHMR aims at being one of the leading scholarly journal in Sub-Saharan Africa in the field of international migration, ethnic group relations and refugee movements. Through the publication of original research, policy discussions and evidence research papers, AHMR provides a comprehensive forum devoted exclusively to the analysis of contemporaneous trends, migration patterns and some of the most prominent migration-related issues.

The purpose of AHMR is diverse and includes: building the capacity of young African researchers who have an additional 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.

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. In 2018, AHMR published three issues: January-May, June-August, and September-December.

In the past years, a number of articles were received by the Chief Editor, prof. Mulugeta Dinbabo (Director of the Institute for Social Development of the University of the Western Cape), of which, after the critical peer review process only a small percentage were published in the official issues. AHMR publications include eminent authors like: Prof Simon Bekker (Emeritus Professor of Sociology in the Sociology and Social Anthropology Department, University of Stellenbosch); Laurence Piper (Professor of Political Studies at the University of the Western Cape, who has published extensively on xenophobia, Zulu nationalism, the Inkatha Freedom Party and electoral politics in South Africa; Professor Jonathan Crush, Director of the Southern African Research Centre at Queen's University in Canada and an Honorary Professor at the University of Cape Town, who has been appointed as the Guest Editor for the

Special Issue on 'Migration & Entrepreneurship' which was published in 2017.

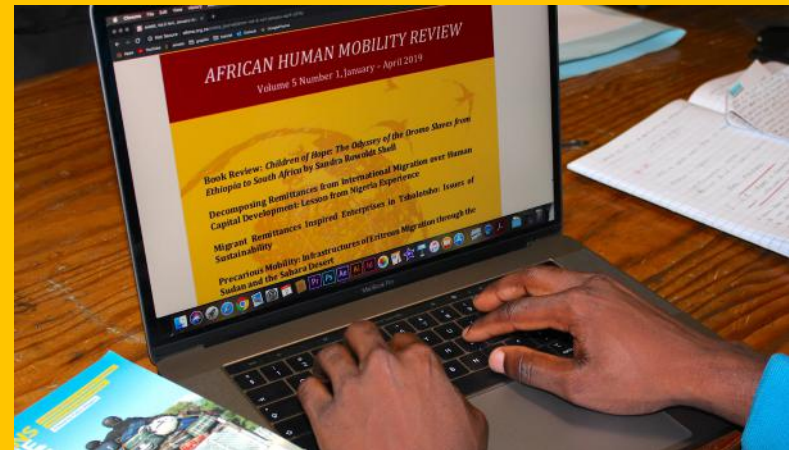
In December 2018 AHMR has received the accreditation from the Department of Higher Education and Training of South Africa, an important achievement that recognizes the professional and academic level of our journal.

12 Issues of AHMR from 2015 to 2018

55 Reviewed articles published in the Journal

25% Rate of acceptance of articles submitted

2018 AHMR is accredited by the Department for High Education and Training



AFRICA ON THE MOVE 2018

34,2%
of total population
of concern of UNHCR
(70,8 million)

24.2 MILLION

TOTAL POPULATION OF CONCERN TO UNHCR IN AFRICA IN 2018

Sources: UNCHR. 2018-2019. Global Appeal [update to January 2018]

IDPs 14,500,000

REFUGEES 6,300,000

RETURNEES 1,700,000

STATELESS PEOPLE 712,000

ASYLUM SEEKERS 509,000

OTHERS OF CONCERN 510,000

African countries producing the highest number of Refugees and IDPs

1. DRC 5,431,000
2. South Sudan 4,384,000
3. Somalia 3,590,000

59% of Refugees and Asylum seekers are under 18

African countries producing the highest number of Internal and International Migrants

1. Egypt 3,400,000
2. Morocco 2,900,000
3. Sudan 1,900,000



INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS

24,651,000

} 16,9 MILLIONS EXTRA CONTINENTAL FROM AFRICA
5 million to European countries
3 million to the Gulf states

INTRA AFRICAN MIGRANTS

19,400,000

} 78,5%
of immigrants come from the same African region

1.2 billion Population of Africa = 2% International Migrant stock

6.25 million

individuals are enslaved in sub-Saharan Africa, equal to

13.6%
of the world's enslaved population



52.9% Male migrants
47.1% Female migrants



70.2% Adult migrants
29.8% Migrants under 18

1. India
2. Nigeria
3. Democratic Republic of the Congo
4. Pakistan
5. Ethiopia
6. United Republic of Tanzania
7. United States of America
8. Uganda

Top World Countries by expected population growth (2017-50)

Before 2050 Africa is supposed to reach a population of 3 billion people (+150% compared to 2015).

Sources: UNDESA. 2017. Migration Data Portal; IOM. 2018. World Migration Report; UNODC. 2018. Global Report on Trafficking in Persons. Data updated to 2017.

3. TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

SIHMA provides training to institutions, organisations, and individuals to better understand the relationship between ethical aspects of migration and human rights and to identify important policy frameworks which affect migration and development policies.



Training course for Pastoral Agents of migration

Ave Maria Centre in Tzaneen (Limpopo), 11-13 June 2018

The main target group of this activity, funded by the Bishops' Conference of Spain, are pastoral agents operating at the border of South Africa and Zimbabwe, including: religious leaders, priests, sisters, lay volunteers and workers. Beneficiaries were identified and selected with the assistance of the local Archdiocese and the SACBC Office for Migrants and Refugees Department (headed by Archbishop Buti Tlhagale, fr. Patrick Rakeketsi and Maria Lourdes Rissini, a Scalabrini Sister).

SIHMA gave a huge contribution in organizing content and management of the course. In the spirit of collaboration, the training of pastoral agents, amongst its objectives, intends:

- to foster the understanding of migration issues in South Africa and the Sub-Saharan Africa region, and social teachings of the Catholic Church on human mobility;
- to forge more coordination and cooperation among faith-based and civil society organisations in upholding the rights and empowerment of migrants;
- to build the capacities of religious workers and laypersons towards a specialized assistance to migrants in different local communities.

A consistent amount of material for formation has been produced and shared in partnership with the Catholic Parliamentary Liaison Office, JRS and SACBC.

This residential course allows the participants to create the right environment for learning and sharing, interacting in the different topics and presentations:

- * Understanding International Migration in South Africa
- * Human Trafficking and Smuggling
- * Migration in the Bible
- * The teaching of the Church on Migration
- * Advocacy and Networking

- * The Human Rights of Migrants, undocumented migrants, statelessness
- * Access to social services for migrants and refugees
- * Spirituality and Theology of Migration
- * History of the Pastoral Care of Migrants
- * Migration: Pastoral Planning in the Migrant Ministry

Organised by SIHMA, in partnership with SACBC, CPLO, JRS and other stakeholders, the Training course for Pastoral agents of migration is a great opportunity of sharing knowledge and good practices.

TRAINING COURSE FOR PASTORAL AGENTS



4. EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES WE HAVE ORGANISED



9 October 2018

PROTECTING THE RIGHT TO EDUCATION FOR REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS: THE PROBLEM OF DOCUMENTATION

Round table organised by **SIHMA** and **CPLO**, Johannesburg

Funded by CEI, this round table organized by SIHMA and CPLO and hosted by SACBC in the premises of Johannesburg Cathedral gathered a large amount of representatives of NPOs and organisations who deal daily with one of the most controversial issues related to migration in South Africa: the right and access to education of children of undocumented migrants. Despite the constitutional guarantee that all children residing in South Africa have a right to education, many undocumented children are being refused permission to attend schools. This round table tried to explore some possible avenues for advocacy so as to redress this situation.

The two speakers invited are not only legal experts in this subject but are directly involved in many cases and are working together for more effective advocacy with government: Ms. Sindi Moyo from Scalabrini Centre Cape Town and Ms. Lusungu Phiri from Lawyers for Human Rights.

Mrs. Phiri presented an interesting vademecum about how to deal with different cases of individuals being denied access to education, in order to introduce the audience to the intricate system of documentation and regulations that affects the rights of children rather than guarantees it.

Mrs. Moyo, showing the constitutional foundation of the right to education of undocumented children, explained the risks related to statelessness and the legal framework of this subject. She highlighted the rights and duties of migrants and refugees, as well as those of officers and principals of the different institutes.

They also gave passionate and competent responses while discussing the issues raised during the animated questioning time. Everyone appreciated the opportunity given by this round table to have a space of sharing and interaction and fr. Peter John Paerson, moderator of the meeting, helped the audience to think about possible strategies of advocacy to be conducted for a real change in the appropriate fora.



27 February 2019

BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND ACCESS TO EDUCATION: CHALLENGES FOR CHILDREN BORN TO UNDOCUMENTED PARENTS

Round table organised by **SIHMA** and **CPLO**, Cape Town

After the event organized in Johannesburg, this round table provided many people and organisations working with undocumented minors residing in South Africa with the opportunity to share about their situation and their constitutional right to education.

Unfortunately, we assist too many cases of children who have been re-

fused permission to attend schools because they do not have birth certificates. This round table which was co-hosted between SIHMA and CPLO and funded by CEI, was addressed by Ms Sindi Moyo, an advocacy officer at the Scalabrini Centre, and Ms Giulia Treves, manager at Lawrence House, our Scalabrinian Children and Youth Care Centre in Woodstock. The discussion not only explored the difficulty faced by the children of migrants and refugees to access education due to a lack of documentation, but also the avenues for advocacy to address the situation.

One of the most salient points that Ms Moyo made was that while the constitution grants a right of all children to receive a basic education, immigration legislation makes it illegal for undocumented children to exercise that right. What emerged as especially unfair was the fact that children are punished or penalized due to the legal status of their parents, often the result of unjust decisions like the closure of Cape Town Refugee Reception Office in 2013. Actions should be taken to promote change so that the state should process the birth registration and the child allowed to access services.

Ms. Treves started from some practical examples of how Lawrence House, which specialises in the care and protection of unaccompanied foreign minors and refugee children, includes the provision of education. Many interesting cases and strategies were shared with the audience.

The most important suggestion from Ms. Treves was to be focused on the small but positive progress and results achieved by many institutions that work in this field, despite the complicated, exhausting and sometimes discouraging experiences in dealing with Home Affairs and different governmental departments. Small, targeted strategies are possible and can be put in place, while we wait for a larger strategy of advocacy to change rules and laws.

25 September 2018

VIOLENCE AND MIGRANT WOMEN: A GLOBAL PROBLEM NEEDING LOCAL SOLUTIONS

Round table organised by **SIHMA and CPLO**, Cape Town



This event, funded by CEI, was organized by SIHMA in partnership with the Scalabrini Centre of Cape Town and the Catholic Parliament Liaison Office. Ms. Amy Shackelford, from SCCT Women's Platform, introduced the round table by providing a global picture of the pervasiveness of violence against migrant women. In South Africa, femicide is five times higher than the global average, and half of the women murdered are killed by intimate partners. Violence is a common thread for migrant women, who face many risks along the journey as they migrate from their home country to a new country.

Starting from the experience of violence and abuse suffered by migrant women as they make their journey to countries of safety, the event aimed to create a safe space where storytelling could become the starting point of a wider discussion. Another interesting witness was given from a Congolese member of the Men's group from SCCT Welfare Programme about his effort to change his mind set about how to deal with women despite his cultural and traditional background. Speakers from organisations working with women victims of violence and researchers who have conducted their study in the field gave important inputs in order to face this problem. Among them: Ms. Sylvia Mbebe, coordinator at the Adonis Musati Project, focussed her input on Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) and the factors contributing to its prevalence amongst refugees and migrants. Ms. Aimée-Nöel Mbiyozo, senior research consultant at the Institute for Security Studies, provided an intersectional analysis of women migrants in South Africa and the culture of violence refugees and migrants encounter, while Ms. Delene Roberts, manager at Sisters Incorporated, provided an analysis of possible gaps in policy as it pertains to protecting women from violence. Fr. Peter John Paerson, Director of CPLO, and fr. Filippo Ferraro, Executive Director of SIHMA, addressed the final recommendations and greetings after the screening of a video produced by SIHMA with the girls of Lawrence House, the Scalabrinian Youth Care Centre, who attended a specific workshop about their being African women and their ability to overcome the wounds of their past.

IDENTIFYING NEW RESEARCH PRIORITIES TWO WORKSHOPS IN EAST AND WEST AFRICA



Among the research priority areas, some emerged in the Workshop: how the Protocol for Free Movement is enabling or hindering movements (and contradictory national law), return and integration in West Africa (looking at data, patterns, courses), managing return migration and reintegration (governance & policy), Africa and China (government to government migration), remittances and development, contribution to technology (skill transfer), integration of immigrants; urbanization and migration; rural-urban migration, the issues

of “brain drain” and “brain waste”. Concerning AHMR, we introduced our journal to the audience (board members, contributors rationale, scope, main topics, accreditation process) and the findings of a presentation of a research agenda Sub-Saharan Africa conducted in 2016 revealing how little research is done to influence policy and practice in this region. We also stressed the importance of creating networks and a stronger dissemination of research outputs.



Centre for Migration Study University of Ghana Accra (Ghana), 20 February 2019

The workshop took place in Ghana at the Centre for Migration of Accra University, whose Director Prof. Joseph Teye and dott. Maria Setrana have previously collaborated with SIHMA.

We selected this country because we already have networks and partners and because we know mobility is often a regional affair and migrants tend to move within the same region, even if this assumption can be reductive and simplistic since the overall intensity of intra-African international migration has remained stable in recent years (around 2% of the population) and migration between African sub-regions have increased. The volume remains stable, as there is a trend in diversity of destination and geographical reach, and also as there are less barriers and obstacles to movements.

The main purpose of this seminar was twofold: to identify **research priorities in West Africa** and to select papers to be published in a **special issue of African Human Mobility Review**.

OSSREA - Organization for Social Science Research in Eastern and Southern Africa Addis Ababa (Ethiopia), 20 September 2018



Eastern Africa is associated with a complexity of movements involving different groups of people **within and outside the region**. Conflicts and violence have generated a large number of refugees, asylum seekers and internally displaced people (IDPs). According to the UNHCR, at the end of 2017, countries such as Uganda, Ethiopia, Kenya and Tanzania hosted more than 3 million refugees and over 5 million IDPs. Domestic and regional labour mobility, as well as movements of workers outside the continent, is also an important aspect of migration within the Eastern African region.

Over the past years, movements of skilled and unskilled migrants to the Gulf States have increased due to geographical proximity and the presence of labour agreements. These mixed **migration flows are driven by multiple socio-economic, political and environmental factors** and in many cases involve a high number of irregular migrants who are trafficked to countries in the Middle East, Europe and Southern Africa. Victims of trafficking are particularly vulnerable to human rights violations and physical abuses and are of great concern to governments in the East Africa region. All the aforementioned aspects make it imperative to gain insight into the fundamental nature of the migration challenges in the Eastern Africa region. It is therefore necessary **to review current knowledge about migration in East Africa, identify priority areas for future research** and work toward the establishment of a research network to support policymaking.

The workshop was divided into substantive sessions providing participants the opportunity to focus on specific areas from their own perspective and national experiences. The main conclusions of the Symposium were reflected and incorporated into the African Human Mobility Review (AHMR). The aims of this event were: to present and discuss the key research findings of the research in the East Africa Region; to understand and compare key results on similar research projects; and **to facilitate evidence-based policy making for effective multi-level intervention approaches in Human Mobility in East Africa**.

AFRICAN MIGRATION: THE ROLE OF HUMAN MOBILITY FOR A CONTINENT IN TRANSITION

Workshop organised by SIHMA and Radboud University,
St. Mary Cathedral Cape Town, 12-14 November 2018

This unique workshop brought to the forefront the discussion perspectives and positions of migrants and their agency.

The purpose of the event itself was **to share knowledge and build on existing networks of different actors involved in the migration process**. A further spin-off of this event is **the production of the book** "African Migration: The Role of Human Mobility for a Continent in Transition", which will be edited by Lothar Smith, Mary Setrana, Sergio Carciotto and Agnes Khoo-Dzisi.

for Human Mobility in Africa

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

Mission:
To conduct research that contributes to the development of informed policies that ensure the rights and dignity of migrants, asylum seekers and refugees in Africa

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The added value of this book is that it takes an explicit and **consistent focus on the African migrant as the principal actor**. The book thus seeks to empower migrants and improve their engagement with those around them, both local and beyond. Thus all chapters of the book will seek to provide insights into key developments that typify the ongoing migration processes, as well as the impact on migrants and their social networks. Such emphasis on **the agency of migrants** requires each chapter of this book to put at centre stage the migrants in their mobility. This, however, does not exclude prominent roles played by states and other governing bodies, as well as civil society, represented by non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and various international organisations (IGOs). This rationale was at the core of the **3-day workshop hosted by SIHMA and co-organized in partnership with the Radboud University** (Netherlands). We were able to garner the attention and active participation of a wide array of participants such as academics, NGOs practitioners, faith based organisations, labour unions, IOM, migrant and diaspora representatives, human rights activists involved with migration issues. The authors and presenters came from various parts of Africa and Europe. The three days turned out to be intense and deeply inspirational because of the depth and length of the debates held on themes such as the politics of migration and its various definitions (i.e. refugee, migrant) and their patterns over time, the role of rural-urban migration, as well as

more inter-continental trajectories of migrants. One of the reasons why the workshop sessions succeeded in being strongly content-oriented was **the format** chosen. First, the workshop organizers had asked all presenters to provide their presentations in the form of succinct statements of a few pages each. These had been shared beforehand with other discussants, which gave them a chance to prepare counter statements, based on their own position: presentations thus remained short and open to a real, deep and interactive debate. Second, each session was set up in such a way that a distinction was made between **an inner and outer circle**. Thereby participants elected to the inner circle on the basis of their proximity to the theme at hand were given the chance to engage with the presenter first through a first few rounds of statements and follow up exchanges with the discussants. At a later stage, the outer circle, i.e. all other participants, were also invited to provide their inputs. This led to a more focused, open discussion. The contents of the discussions were comprehensively recorded by a full-time rapporteur and on audio, in order **to allow the authors to incorporate the contents of this discussion into the main parts of their respective chapters**.

OTHER EVENTS WE ATTENDED

29-30 August 2018

ENDING STATELESSNESS. THE ROLE OF FAITH-BASED ORGANISATIONS IN THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN REGION FOR THE PROTECTION OF STATELESS PERSONS AND THE PREVENTION OF STATELESSNESS.

Organised by **Stellenbosch University**, Cape Town

Starting with the thousands of displaced communities that live amongst us, the conference aimed at finding how faith-based communities can attend to the challenges faced by refugees, forcibly displaced communities and stateless people. The conference aimed to: raise awareness on statelessness, its causes and consequences, and its particular impact on women and children; explore and enhance the contribution of faith-based organisation; discuss recent policy and doctrinal developments on nationality and statelessness; promote academic research on statelessness, and facilitate the formulation of joint policy advocacy strategies addressing statelessness. The conference took place at the Attie van Wijk Auditorium at the faculty of Theology of Stellenbosch University. The SIHMA Executive Director was invited to attend the event and Sindisiwe Moyo, from Scalabrini Centre Advocacy Programme, presented the issue of birth certificates for children of undocumented parents.

5-7 September 2018

SOUTHERN PERSPECTIVES ON MIGRATION: ADDRESSING KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION, POLICIES, AND COOPERATION

Organised by **ACMS (University of the Witwatersrand)**, Johannesburg

International migration is an increasingly prominent theme in public and scholarly debates about policy. Given the growing global and political interest in African migration and mobility, the conference provided critical reflection on the state of knowledge, and the relationship between knowledge production and producers, activism, and policy formation, in order to feed and strengthen the migration academic debate among actors based on the continent and to offer a reflective and critical space to identify and bridge existing gaps between the supply and demand sides of migration data and knowledge-production. Among the topics presented by different scholars and researchers: migration data, academia and activism, dynamics and drivers of change, categories and definitions in migration debates, mobility and social transformation. The SIHMA Executive Director was invited to attend the event and Corey Johnson, advocacy officer at Scalabrini Centre, presented the issue of the closure of the Refugee Reception Office of Cape Town.



26-27 February 2018

CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION AND ITS IMPACT ON SOUTHERN AFRICA

Organised by **Catholic University of Zimbabwe**, Harare (Zimbabwe)

The different talks gave a reflection on the phenomenon of human mobility, as a natural process of human history, acknowledging the potential benefits of migration for both sending and receiving countries if managed humanely and fairly. Sergio Carciotto, SIHMA Associate Director, presented an overview of migration in South Africa and the specific nature of migration on the African continent. The final statement, invited everyone: to use and share “The 20 Pastoral Action Points” in the Church’s parishes and religious congregations; to encourage the Catholic University of Zimbabwe to introduce diploma and degree courses in migration studies in its curriculum; to promote good governance and job creation to enable youth to build up their country; to advocate the relevant government ministries to adopt immigration policies that are just and fair and to respond positively to the Global Compact on Refugees; to support initiatives to prevent human trafficking and for child protection. To become advocates in the public domain to help overcome fear of the stranger and xenophobia. The conference made all participants more aware of the migrant situation and its relationship to development, sharing the duty of solidarity especially with the most vulnerable.

4-6 December 2018

REBUILDING LIVES AT THE BORDERS

Organised by **CSEM**, Lumko Institute, Johannesburg

The **Scalabrinian Centre for Migration Studies (CSEM) of Brasilia** (Brazil) in partnership with Weltkirche of Germany, the Bienvenu Shelter in Johannesburg and the Congregation of Scalabrianians Missionary Sisters invited us to this interesting Conference, supported by the South Africa Catholic Bishops Conference (SACBC), Radio Veritas and Lumko Institute.

The results of researchers on migrants, refugees and people directly involved in serving these populations in the border areas of Angola-Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Mozambique-South Africa, Mexico-United States of America and in three Dioceses in Italy were presented by the team of CSEM, as well as other existing expe-

riences of different countries on migrants, refugees and returnees.

This occasion brought together institutions and participants to listen and reflect on the results of these studies, share their experiences in serving and assisting mobile populations, reflect on the demands and impact as well as challenges and the potential of the presence of migrants and refugees in local contexts.

Organizations working directly or indirectly with migrants and refugees, especially in border areas, where the challenges of human mobility are most striking, shared their knowledge with the participants, representatives of church organisations, civil society and international organisa-

tions from ten different countries (Mozambique, Angola, DRC, Brazil, Mexico, Italy, Germany, Netherlands, Zimbabwe and South Africa).

Among the attendees: the Superior General of the Scalabrianian Missionary Sisters, the Director of CSEM, the Director of Weltkirche, Bishops of Dioceses directly involved with migration in Angola, Mozambique, and DRC, the Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Johannesburg and National President of CARITAS, Bishop Duncan Tsoke who attended the opening and closing ceremonies.

The SIHMA Executive Director was one of the moderators of the panels and member of the commission who prepared the final statement on the conference, disseminated at the press conference. The conference results will be published in 2019 in a book, in English and Portuguese, both in print and electronic version.



SACBC WORKGROUP



**South Africa Catholic Bishops' Conference Office for Migrants and Refugees
In 2018 the Workgroup's meeting took place at the premises of Christ the King Cathedral in Johannesburg on the 20 February and 17 September**

Pastoral care of migrants and refugees within the conference territory is coordinated by a multidisciplinary team, including SIHMA, Jesuit Refugee Service, Caritas, The Catholic Parliamentary Office, Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Directors of Pastoral Care of South African Dioceses and various refugee consortiums. The PCMR acts as an official Church voice on issues relating to migrants and refugees, and a channel of communication between Diocesan Offices and the Bishops' Conference.

It provides a mechanism for effective consultation and coordination among Catholic bodies and other groups involved in migrant and refugee activities. Additionally, it makes appropriate representation to government and other bodies on matters relating to migrants and refugees.

The work of the PCMR reflects the Church's universal compassion for those in need as Christ himself, recent Popes have often noted.

The SACBC Office for Migrants and Refugees is headed by Archbishop Buti Tlhaagale, with the help of the Adjoin Secretary, fr. Patrick Rakeketsi, and sr. Maria Lourdes Rissini, a Scalabrian Sister who is also National Coordinator of Caritas in South Africa.

The members of the group meet twice a year at the premises of Christ the King Cathedral in Johannesburg.

Each stakeholder shares the programme of his organisation, as well as burning issues and projects concerning human mobility that are discussed and analyzed. SIHMA, represented by Executive and Associate Director, usually presents an overview of the migratory phenomenon on the African continent, especially in the Southern countries. We also update the stakeholders about the activities we prepare concerning formation and the strategies of advocacy of Scalabrini Centre.

OUR NEW SIHMA OFFICE

Seeds migrate from continent to continent on the wings of the wind.
Birds and other animals move from place to place on the waves of the seas and rivers.
And, in so doing, are always the free instruments of Divine Providence,
leading all people, even through great calamities,
towards their final goal: the perfection of man on earth and the glory of God in heaven".
Bl. John Baptist Scalabrini, 1876



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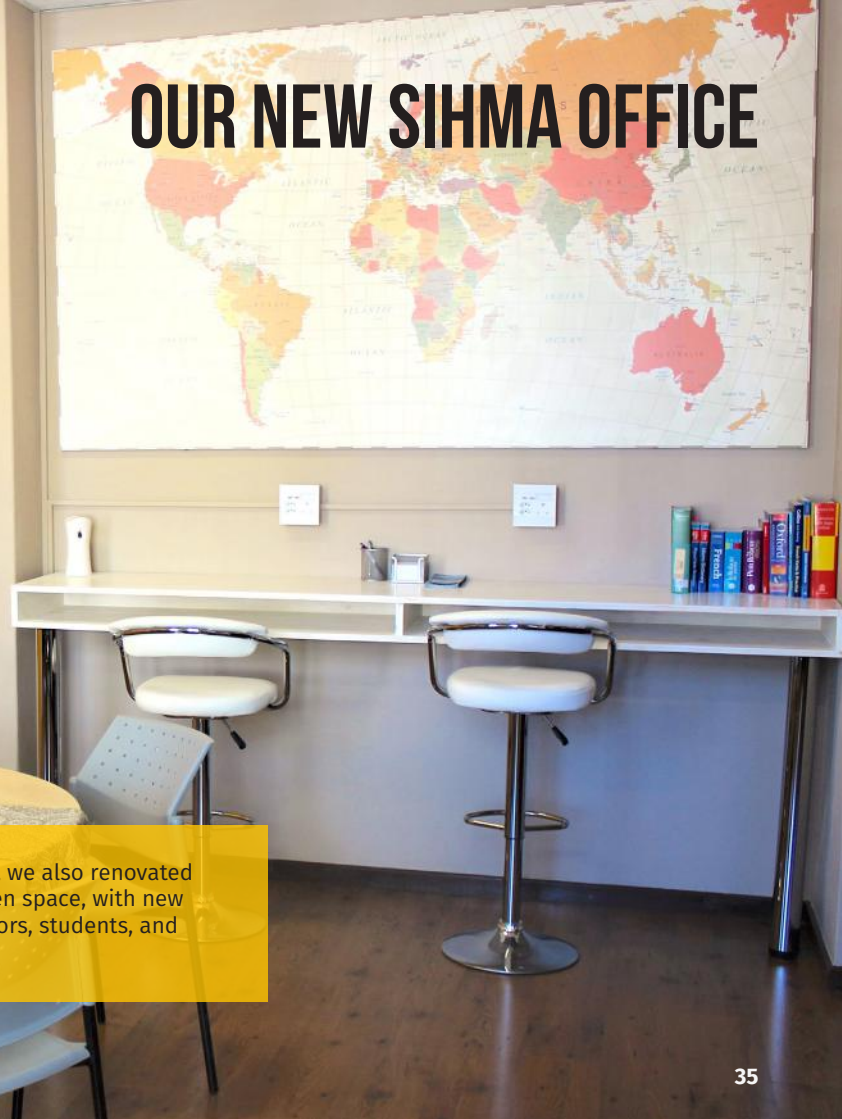
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CENIA 1986



CIEMI PARIS



In order to make our workspace more comfortable and useful, we also renovated the SIHMA Office in Scalabrini Centre building, creating an open space, with new technology and the possibility of hosting small groups of visitors, students, and guests, as well as videoconferences and meetings.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The financial health of the organization is determined by looking at five main elements: profitability, revenue dynamics, expense dynamics, composition of balance sheet and liquidity.

SIHMA's policy and financial guidelines are designed to protect SIHMA's assets, ensure the maintenance of accurate records of SIHMA's financial activities, provide a framework of operating standards and behavioural expectations and ensure compliance with national legal and reporting requirements. SIHMA has an integrated accounting system which allows records to be kept and updated on a daily basis; the system can also generate reports at any requested time.

On a regular basis an analysis is conducted to assess whether operational results have deviated from the approved budget.

The financial administrator has primary responsibility for designing and maintaining the accounting system. Completed monthly and cumulative trial balance are presented to the Director within 15 days of the close of the period. A financial overview and profit & loss statement through the end of the previous month are provided to the Board of Trustees at each board meeting.

An annual audit, is conducted after the close of each fiscal year by an independent accounting firm (Solace and Associates) as appointed by the Trust. The audit comprising of the balance sheet and the income statement covers the fiscal year of March 1st through February 28th. The Executive Director and the financial administrator are involved in the annual audit.

Accounting records, including completed monthly and cumulative trial balance (debit/credit balance) are updated regularly and subject to the oversight of the Executive Director on at least a monthly basis. A balance sheet showing the financial situation of the organisation is presented for review at each board meeting which usually takes place every four months.



BALANCE SHEET

Description	2018-19	2017-18
INCOME	800 816	1 645 676
Donations and grants	5 770 777	1 619 068
Interest received	30 038	23 108
Other income	-	3 500
EXPENDITURE	(1 361 710)	(1 050 113)
NET (DEFICIT) / SURPLUS	(560 895)	595 563
OPENING RETAINED FUNDING	1 295 952	701 758
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	-	1 369
CLOSING RETAINED FUNDING	735 057	1 295 952

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SIHMA disseminates the findings of its research, the publications and journal, as well as the events and news about migration and various activities through different channels and media:



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NEWSLETTER

All subscribers who want to keep in touch with us can receive our quarterly newsletter, with insights from the last issue of our journal, news from our communication team, upcoming events promoted or supported by SIHMA and our partner network



We are already working with our team to improve and strengthen our communication by creating and implementing a wider Communication Strategy Plan in order to improve our website with new interactive tools and to make our resources more visible and accessible.

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