

The IOM project “Promoting the Engagement of the Chadian Diaspora in Support of the Development of Chad”, in line with the National Development Plan, supports the Government of Chad to mobilize and involve members of the Chadian diaspora to contribute to the country’s development efforts. In the future, if funded, IOM hopes to continue its support to the government of Chad through implementing Phase 2 of the project, facilitating the return of qualified nationals to aid in selected sectors.

PHASE 1

Mapping the Chadian Diaspora Abroad

The project conducted a mapping exercise to identify diaspora associations in France and Niger related to higher education and health where over 400 organizations have been identified.

Collaboration through inter-ministerial efforts

To ensure all points of view are properly represented, an inter-ministerial steering committee was established to support the coordination of project implementation and engage with the diaspora.

Creating a Plan of Action

Diaspora members and the inter-ministerial committee will collaborate to outline action steps to ensure the effective engagement of diaspora members to support various sectors of the government and ultimately contribute to the development of Chad.

Trainings & Workshops

Several opportunities are planned to train local officials on effective diaspora management for migration and development, including a focus on the role of women in development, communication mechanisms for diaspora engagement and facilitating opportunities for information exchange between diaspora members and the local community.

Recent Events **OCT 2018**



Capacity building workshop on techniques for diaspora engagement focused on highlighting good practices and opportunities of diaspora engagement and the development of a plan of action for effective and sustainable engagement of the Chadian diaspora.

PHASE 2

Capacity Building through Specialized Service Provision

To follow up on Phase 1, qualified Chadian nationals in health, education and public planning and administration will temporarily return to Chad to act as mentors, and conduct temporary service assignments while building the capacity of local actors.



Returning to Teach

Mr. Djasserabe, a statistical engineer in Paris, returned to Chad in 2013 to teach math to students in the Master’s Degree 1 program. After recognizing the critical need for educators in his home country, he agreed to return through the UNDP and IOM joint Tokten/MIDA program conducted in 2013. The excitement and satisfaction of his students, demonstrated the potential and need for programs supporting the Chadian diaspora abroad’s engagement to aid local institutions in the improvement of performance and quality of services in healthcare and higher education. *(photo courtesy of UNDP)*

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