Migration is a highly contested issue not only in Germany, but all over the world. Not surprisingly, governments are struggling with many pressing policy questions for which there may or may not be readily available answers. In a lightning talk format, a panel of eminent global experts from the Global Knowledge Partnership on Migration and Development (KNOMAD) will share new evidence and discuss policy options on the following ten burning questions:

1. How can we reduce recruitment costs paid by low-skilled migrant workers?
2. Can remittance costs be reduced to less than the 3 percent?
3. Is the emigration of highly skilled people good or bad for the country of origin?
4. Are refugees a burden on their host communities?
5. How can policy address the socio-economic differences between refugee men and women?
6. How can we address migration induced by disasters and slow-onset environmental change?
7. Does migration increase violent extremism, or is there a two-way relationship?
8. How can we overcome barriers to mobilizing diaspora resources for productive uses?
9. Are migration policies coherent?
10. Can return migration be managed for the benefit of all?

Moderator: Peter Bonin, Team Leader, GIZ (tbc)

Opening Remarks: Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
Dilip Ratha, Head of KNOMAD

Panel: Selected Chairs/Co-chairs of KNOMAD (tbc)

Q&A

The event will be followed by a cocktail reception

The Global Knowledge Partnership on Migration and Development (KNOMAD) is a global hub of knowledge and policy expertise on migration and development issues. KNOMAD draws on experts from all parts of the world to synthesize existing knowledge and generate new knowledge for use by policy makers in sending and receiving countries. The World Bank has established a multi-donor trust fund to implement the KNOMAD. The Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) and the Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) are the largest contributors to the trust fund.

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