

EMN Cluster meeting in Oslo October 11th 2011

The Role of Research in Developing Migration Policies

Aim:

To share “best practices” and good ideas on how to use and communicate research for policy development/implementation.

Issues:

- ***Relevance***: Relevant questions and relevant answers - for policy development/implementation?
- ***Quality***: How do we know that the quality of research is satisfactory and which policy conclusions to be safely drawn from research results?
- ***Translation/communication***: How to communicate research to policy makers (for example short and simple "briefs" highlighting conclusions and recommendations)?
- ***Ethics***: Ethical challenges for researchers when making research results available for (mis)use in the formulation, implementation and discussion of policies?

The Cluster meeting starts up with reflections from researchers and participants on the policy relevant lessons to be drawn from the *Pathways out of irregularity* conference the day before. We proceed with short presentations on the relationship between research and policy making/implementation in selected EMN member countries and finally discuss how to make research based knowledge useful for policy development/implementation.

Programme:

- 0845 – 0900: Registration and coffee
- 0900 – 0910: Welcome and introduction to the program (Øyvind Jaer).
- 0910 – 1030: *Pathways out of irregularity*: Policy relevant lessons.
- Vigdis Vevstad & Jan Paul Brekke
 - Discussion.
- 1030 – 1115: What role does research based knowledge play when developing policies?
- Norwegian policy advisor.
 - EMN participants
- 1115 – 1130: Coffee
- 1130 – 1240: What are effective strategies and mechanisms for making research based knowledge useful for policy development?
- Short interventions
 - Discussion
- 1240 – 1250: Summing up (Øyvind Jaer)
- 1300 – 1400: Lunch

Venue: Utlendingsdirektoratet/UDI (Directorate of Immigration), Hausmanns g. 21, Oslo.