

***Child and Youth Migration in West Africa:
Research Progress and Implications for Policy***

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PROGRAMME

Day 1:

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| 9.00-9.30 | Registration and Coffee |
| 9.30-9.35 | Welcome |
| 9.35-9.50 | Introduction |
| 9.50-10.45 | <p>Child and Youth Mobility: An analysis of strategies and tactics and their implications for the management of children and youth's social trajectories
Abou Bakari Imorou - Institut Federatif De Recherche, Benin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q&A and Discussion |
| 10.45-11. 15 | Break |
| 11.15-12.45 | <p>Child Rural-Rural Migration
Nana Akua Anyidoho – ISSER, University of Ghana</p> <p>So (in)visible young female migrant workers: "young female domestics" in West Africa - Comparative perspectives; the example of girls and young women at work in Abidjan
Melanie Jacquemin - Centre d'Etudes africaines, Paris</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q&A and Discussion |
| 12.45 – 2 00 | Lunch |
| 2..00--3.30 | <p>Mobile youth with little formal education: Work opportunities and practices
Dorte Thorsen – Migration DRC, University of Sussex</p> <p>Key challenges and issues raised by young West African mobile children and youth: Findings from the West Africa Mobilities Project
For the West Africa Child Mobility Platform: Guy Massart – Mindelo International Art School, Cape Verde</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q&A and Discussion |
| 3.30- 4.00 | Break |
| 4.00-5.30 | Plenary Discussion. |
| 5.30 | Close |

Day 2:

- Chair: **John Anarfi, ISSER, University of Ghana**
- 9.00 – 9.15 Introduction to day 2
Ann Whitehead, Migration DRC, University of Sussex
- 9.15-10.00 Plenary Session: African Movement of Children and Young Workers (*Mouvement Africain des Enfants Jeunes Travailleurs*) – **Moussa Harouna: Hounlete Yawa Ekplom; Adaora Ina Nnaji, MAEJT for the West Africa Child Mobility Platform**
- 10.00-12.30 **PANEL: Child Migrants as Rural Workers: Policy and Practice**
- Child Migrants and Agriculture (**Albertine de Lange – Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations**)
 - Children in cocoa-growing areas and Education (**Martina Odonkor - Independent Consultant**)
 - General Agricultural Workers Union (**Andrew Tagoe**)
 - ILO-OPEC (**Patrick Asare Nelson**)
- 11.15 Coffee
- Breakout groups**
- 12.30-1.30 Lunch
- Chair: **Modupe Adelabu, Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria**
- 1.30-3.30 **PANEL: Coordinating Support for Migrant Children**
- For the West Africa Child Mobility Platform: Building on local institutions to support child migrants (**Olivier Feneyrol – Terre des Hommes**)
 - Sending Communities: Making Migration and Return Safer (**Stephen Kwankye - RIPS, John Anarfi - ISSER**)
 - Echoes Project WINROCK (**Matilda Nyantackyi-Broni**)
- Discussion**
- 3.30-4.00 Break
- 4.00-5.00 Ways Forward : Comments from Panel and Plenary Discussion
- 5.00 Close

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