

## The eunomad network

The network is governed by a policy of participatory democracy:

- > At the European level, eunomad is managed by an Executive Board comprised of representatives elected by the national platforms. The board members are nominated for a renewable period of three years. The Executive Board administrates the network in consultation with the national platforms.
- > At the national level, eunomad is organised in national platforms. They comprise various stakeholders working in the field of migration and development. Each national platform appoints a board for its own administration.

eunomad aspires to bring together organisations –migrants' associations, NGOs, local authorities, research institutes, national networks and collectives– involved in the migration/development nexus.

The member organisations within the national platforms share, at a minimum, the following characteristics:

- > Stability,
- > Relevant experience,
- > An approach involving capitalisation,
- > National recognition,
- > Motivated to participate in eunomad activities,
- > Shared political vision and values.

European in scope, the network seeks to expand its presence to cover all European countries.



### 2010 national platform Coordinators

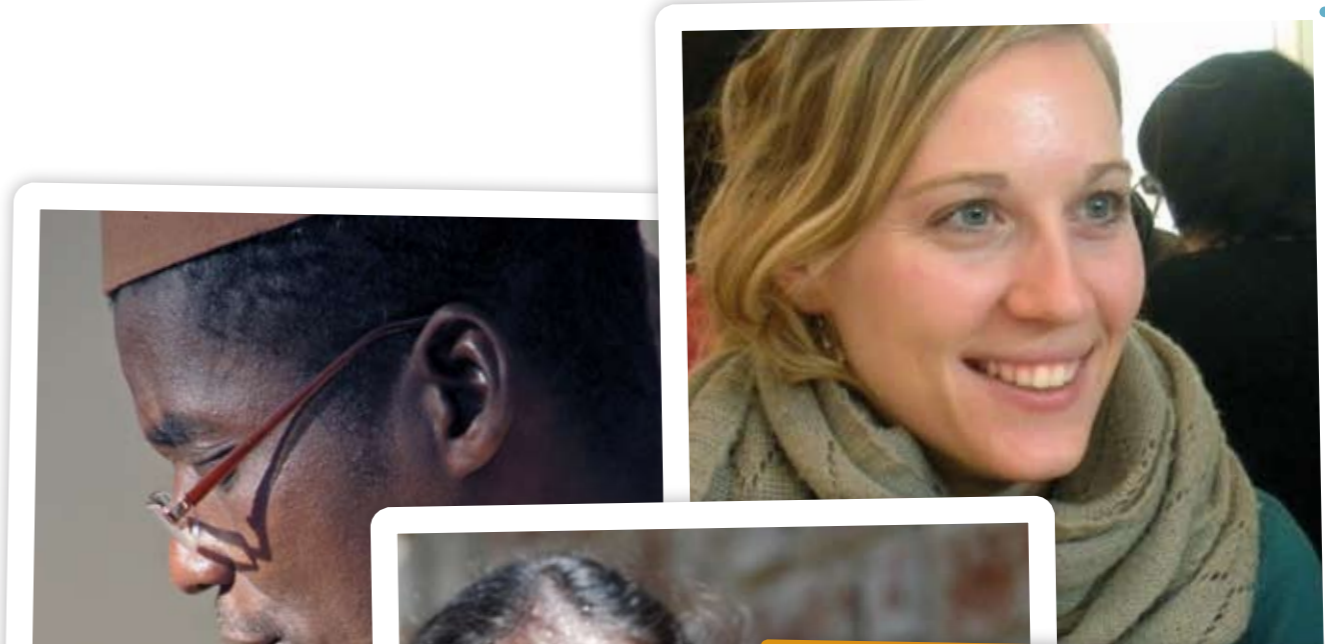
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**eunomad seeks to gain recognition for the forms of civic expression displayed by migrants and their associations.**

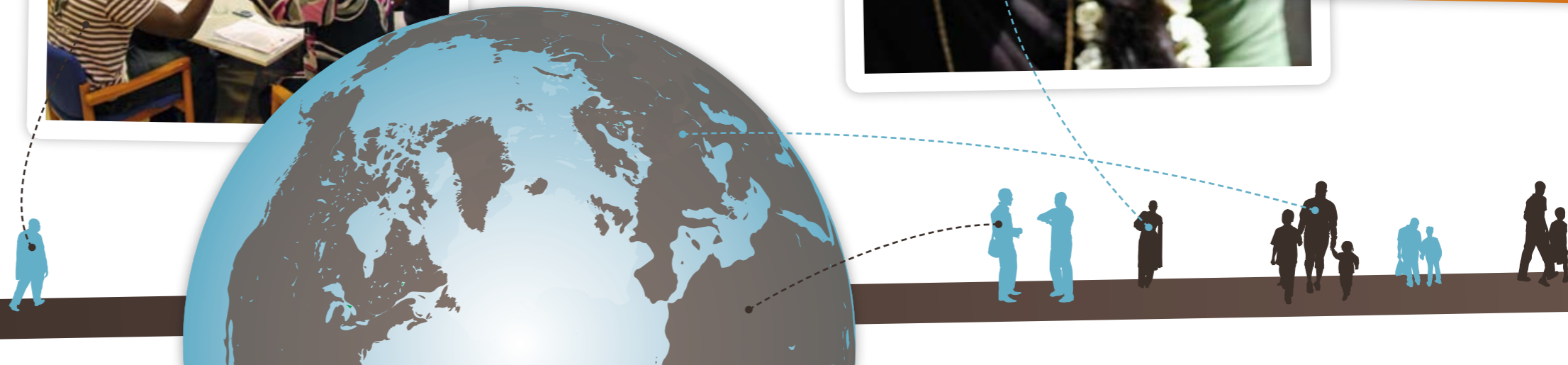
eunomad highlights the positive role of migrants in the social, economic and cultural development of European and origin societies, in order to ensure that their impact is recognised, valued and strengthened.

To become a member of the network, organisations must send a written request.

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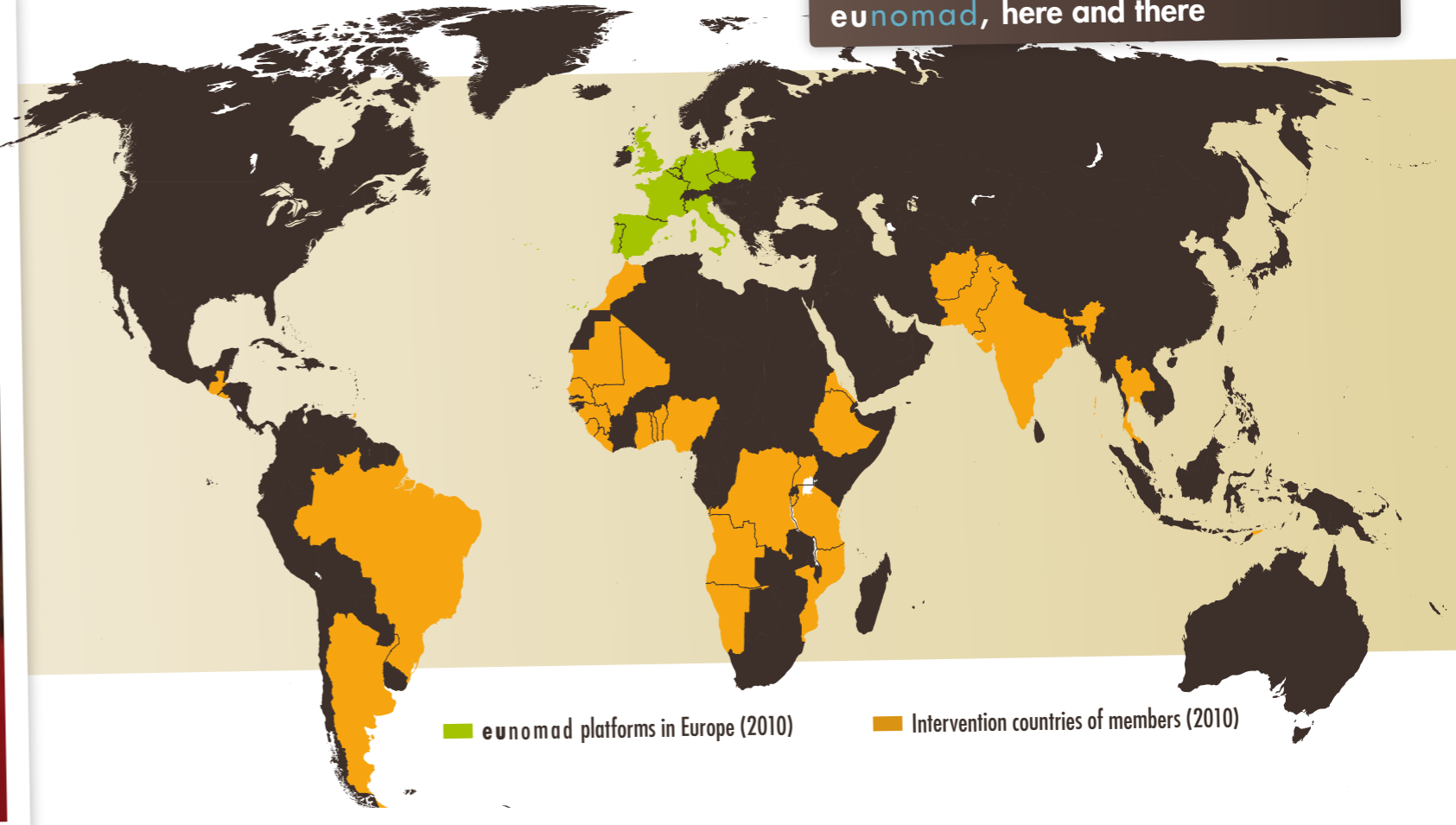


## Recognition for the active citizenship of migrants

The migration/development nexus has become one of the major issues at stake in relations between European countries and migrants' origin countries.

European societies are currently unaware of the positive impact that migration has on development. National and European policies focus on managing the flow of migration, at the expense of recognition for the positive, citizenship-building interactions occurring in both societies of origin and residence.

In order to build upon the positive impact of human mobility, European stakeholders – migrants' associations, NGOs, local authorities, research centres, etc. – decided to form and coordinate a European network on migration and development: **eunomad**.



eunomad, here and there

### Key figures

Out of 200 million international migrants, only a third moved from a developing country to a developed country.

**Migration and development go hand in hand**

The median emigration rate in a country with low human development is below 4%, compared to more than 8% from countries with high levels of human development.

Source: 2009 human development report, UNDP.

### Key dates

**2009–2010:** Implementation of national platforms in France, Belgium, Portugal, Czech Republic, Italy, Spain, United Kingdom, Poland, Germany and Netherlands.

**20 May 2010:** Second eunomad workshop (Madrid) on the theme of economic capabilities of migrants.

**21 October 2009:** First eunomad workshop (Paris) on the theme of the "Contributions and limits of migration in development here and there. Perspectives of civil society actors on social capabilities."

**1-2 October 2007:** General assembly establishing eunomad (Liege).

**24-25 April 2007:** Forum entitled "Which position for European NGOs in migration and co-development?" (Paris).

eunomad affirms that migration represents a valuable resource for countries of origin and residence alike. Migrants, through individual and collective transfers of funds, have considerably improved the living conditions of family members in origin countries. Through their activities in countries of residence, migrants contribute to the economies of European countries.

As the force behind many local initiatives, migrants have built new channels of active solidarity between the North and the South. They have become effective partners with local authorities, particularly in Europe, where they help to fight discrimination and promote social cohesion.

Migrants' perspectives, expertise and experience must be heard, recognised and appreciated.

**"Co-development is the recognition of actions led by migrants."**

*Samba Sylla, association activist and president of ADER, originally from Mali, has lived in France for the past 40 years.*

## Objectives

eunomad's goal is to **develop the European network of civil society organisations** whose work relates to the migration-development nexus.

eunomad seeks to:

- > **Enhance its members' guidance activities** in the field of migration and development.
- > **Develop lobbying efforts** to gain public policy support for the migration/development nexus and its benefits for migrants as well as origin and European societies.

The political vision shared within the network is based on:

- > Recognition for migrants' contributions as citizens to both their origin and European societies.
- > Affirmation of the multitude of ways in which mobility enhances development "here and there".
- > Clear-minded discussion on immigration in Europe.

## Activities

- > **Coordination.** Developing a flexible and dynamic network of exchanges between organisations working towards the migration/development nexus.
- > **Capitalisation.** Encouraging the evaluation of practices, reports and capitalisation between member organisations.
- > **Study.** Analyzing relevant policies and their impacts on the practices of the migration/development nexus in Europe.
- > **Lobbying.** Elaborate recommendations for decision-makers in the EU member states and in the migrants' origin countries, as well for international organisations such as the Council of Europe, the United Nations and in particular the European Union.

The eunomad network is thus at once:

- > A centre for the capitalisation of best practices of its members,
- > A forum for sharing experiences where partners evaluate each other's work and pool resources such as tools and methods,
- > A laboratory for practical experiences to encourage innovation in the migration/development nexus.

