COUNTRY PRESENTATION-ALBANIA

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OUTLINES

- Migration policies of the Gov of Albania
- Aspects & problems of migration management
- Policies for return and reintegration
- Proposals for regional cooperation

I. MIGRATION POLICIES OF GOV. OF ALBANIA

- Discouraging migration flow
- Information and awareness
- Legal vs. illegal migration
- Enhancing installment in labor market and societal integration
- Social insurances and social protection
- Schooling and education of second and third generation
- Promoting incentived return
- Combining migration financial, social & human capital
- Correlation migration-development
- Correlation migration trade- FDI
- Correlation migration-VET

II. MANAGING ALBANIAN MIGRATION

- Country's Management Strategy, 2005-2015
- Institutional, legal, economic supporting measures
- Mobilizing Albanian Diaspora
- Migrants: intermediaries of cooperation, FDI and trade
- Migrants, tourism and investments
- Bilateral cooperation with receiving countries
- Particular focus on remittances, large portion of GDP

III. RETURN AND REINTEGRATION

- Brain Gain
- Program of Excellence
- Strategy for Reintegration and Return, 2011-2015
- Vision of Strategy:
 - o Volunteer return
 - Promoting the return of qualified emigrants
 - Incentived return
 - Non discrimination of non migrant population
 - o Involvement of civil society
 - Information and support

IV. PROPOSALS FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION

- Shifting from management of migration potential and flows to the management of migration capitals
- Shifting from the use of remittances for mainly consumption purposes to the use of remittances as a source of investment and development
- Create and consolidate the synergy between migration remittances, FDI, and foreign trade to generate development and investments and create new jobs
- Focus on the combined use of migration financial, social and human capital, to promote the development of the VET system and to prepare the local labor force to respond to the increasing needs of the domestic, regional and European labor markets
- Migration an import tool of European integration of the WB countries
- Priority and focus on labor migration
- Priority and focus on cross-border migration
- Establishing the WB forum on migration, which would place the cooperation on migration in WB countries on an permanent institutional framework.