



## Call for papers

FAO is developing a programme of work that will provide evidence on the diversity of pathways, the drivers and the impacts of distress or voluntary migration, labor and people's mobility in a context of accelerated urbanization and increased pressure on natural resources. The program gives importance to the role of policies, governance and institutions in steering change processes in origins and reducing challenges in destination areas. Evidence from this programme of work will feed into FAO's normative work and policy support to countries and multistakeholder governance platforms in promoting sustainable development, food security and nutrition. The program will provide background material and support the Global Migration Group negotiations to develop a Global Compact for safe, orderly and regular migration.

In the context of the programme, FAO invites the submission of papers to be presented on a technical workshop on:

**The drivers and impacts of migration and labor mobility in origins and destinations:  
Building the evidence base for policies that promote safe, orderly and regular people's and  
labor mobility for poverty reduction and sustainable development**

The workshop will be held the 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2017, at FAO headquarters in Rome. The workshop will bring together researchers and policy makers from around the world in an effort to provide evidence, promote understanding, enhance dialogue on migration, labor and people's mobility for poverty reduction and sustainable development. Relevant areas of work refer to micro and macro research including:

- Demographic and social dynamics, urbanization processes and migratory patterns;
- The role of shocks, conflicts, climate change and risk-coping mechanisms (or absence thereof);
- Migration and labor mobility for structural, rural and agrarian transformations;
- Social and economic impacts and contributions of migrants in origins and destinations;
- Challenges and potential in rural origins and agricultural and food systems for job creation;
- Patterns of farm and non-farm income and employment diversification;
- The role of land tenure patterns and land distribution;
- Migration and territorial, urban planning and agriculture and food systems challenges;
- The role of natural resource endowment and water availability and their governance systems;
- Agricultural productivity and the role of capital, technology innovation, adaptation and diffusion;
- The role of infrastructure, market access, rural-urban linkages and territorial development.

Papers presented at the workshop will be published in FAO's working paper series, as well as in book form as proceedings of the workshop.

### Submission instructions

Extended abstracts (of length 3-5 pages) explaining the core question(s), data and methods used, and (anticipated) findings or complete papers should be submitted by email to [rural-transformation@fao.org](mailto:rural-transformation@fao.org) **before 29 September 2017**. Acceptance decisions will be communicated within three weeks of the submission deadline. Traveling and accommodation costs will be covered by FAO. For more information, please contact [rural-transformation@fao.org](mailto:rural-transformation@fao.org)