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Labour Migration Academy

Facilitating Good Governance
Promoting Development

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Thanks to the cooperation of the Global Migration Group (GMG), the Labour Migration Academy will benefit from the expertise of the principal organizations actively involved in international migration and related issues:

The GMG (www.globalmigrationgroup.org) is an inter-agency group which seeks to promote the wider application of all relevant international and regional instruments and norms relating to international migration, and encourages the adoption of a more coherent, comprehensive and better coordinated approach to international migration. In particular, the GMG seeks to improve the overall effectiveness of its members and other stakeholders in maximizing the opportunities and responding to the challenges presented by international migration.

The GMG consists of the following 16 entities that are actively involved in international migration and related issues:

ILO – International Labour Organization

IOM – International Organization for Migration

OHCHR – Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

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Background

International migration is now high on national, regional and global policy agendas. Recent years have also seen an emerging international consensus on the positive aspects of labour migration in terms of its linkages with development in countries of origin, benefits for destination countries and migrant workers themselves.

Most of the world's international migrants – estimated at 214 million in 2010 by the UN Population Division, with women comprising about 50 per cent – are migrant workers (those persons who migrate for employment) and their families. In 2010, the ILO estimated migrant workers to number around 106 million, who together with their families comprise about 90 per cent of all international migrants. Thus, international migration is primarily a decent work and labour market issue.

In countries of origin, positive contributions of labour migration are reflected in high remittance flows, and transfer of technology and critical skills and investments through return migration and diasporas.

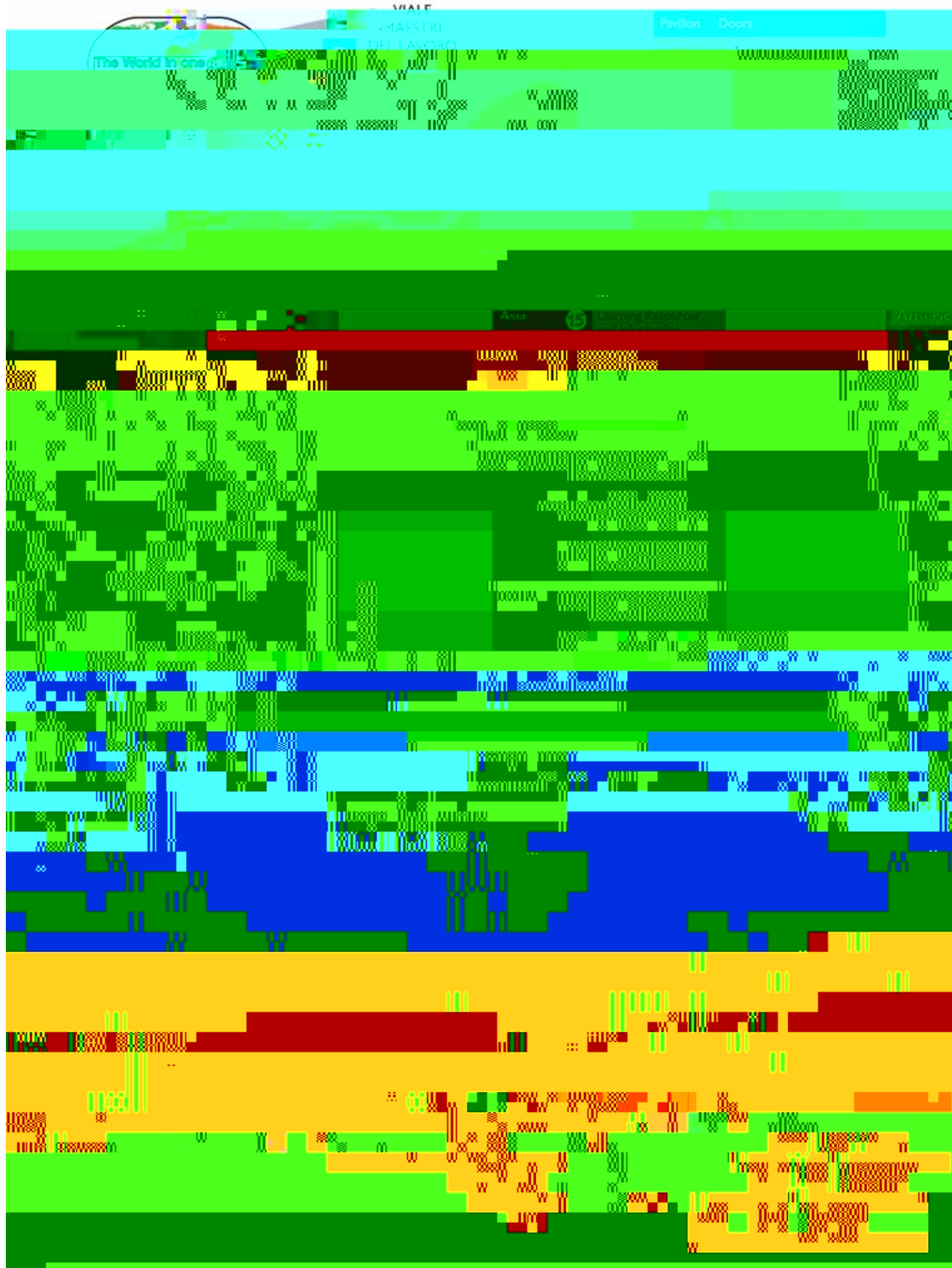
Migrant workers also contribute to the growth of economies of destination or host countries. Indeed, in the labour market, they normally complement rather than substitute national workers, and specialize in labour market activities that would not exist on the same

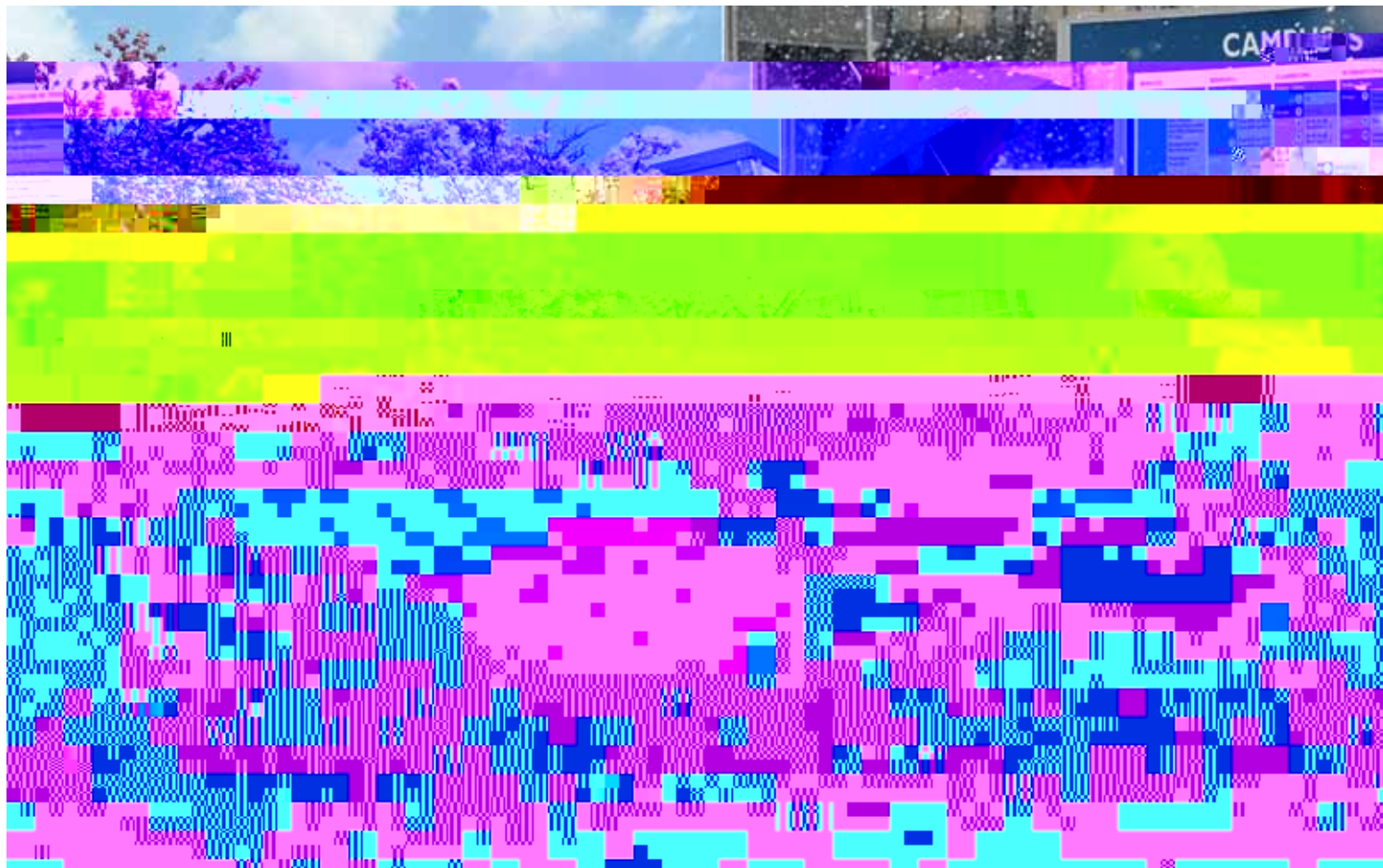
and comprehensive tool kit for all countries to develop and improve their national labour migration policies and programmes. Other important components of the Plan of Action include capacity building, awareness raising and provision of technical assistance to ILO Member States, as well as strengthening social dialogue in this field.

Therefore, ILO is in a unique position to promote a rights-based global policy agenda on labour migration, and build the capacity of constituents in line with this agenda. Its comparative advantages are a comprehensive normative base having pioneered international instruments for the protection of migrant workers; a tripartite structure comprising the key stakeholders on labour migration (governments, employers' and workers' organizations); links with government agencies directly concerned with employment and labour market issues; and its expertise and large knowledge base on cross-cutting labour issues. This training programme is a joint response by the ITC-ILO and the ILO International Migration Programme (MIGRANT) to the above-identified need for capacity building government agencies

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The ILO Turin Centre's facilities

Located in an attractive park on the banks of the River Po, the Centre's campus provides a congenial environment in which to live and study.

- It contains 21 pavilions with fully equipped modern classrooms, conference halls and meeting rooms fitted out for multilingual simultaneous interpretation, a computer laboratory, and a computerized documentation centre linked to various data banks.

The campus has 287 study/bedrooms, all with private bathrooms, telephones and cable television. It also has:

- a reception desk open 24 hours a day;
- a restaurant, a self-service canteen and a coffee lounge, all catering for international dietary needs;
- a bank;
- a travel agency;
- a laundry service;
- a post office;
- an internet point;
- a recreation room;
- facilities for outdoor and indoor sports;
- an infirmary.

Social events are regularly held both on and off campus, so that participants from different cultural backgrounds can make the most of the stimulating international climate.

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