Aims of the conference:

1. To create in-depth understanding of feminisation of migration, to discuss the increasing participation of women in migration flows, new possibilities that it offers to women in their human development and development of their families, and challenges they meet during their migration process.

2. To highlight the benefits of female migration as well as identify challenges and gaps in policies.

3. To become aware of the worldwide experience and that of Caritas in supporting and empowering migrant women, especially when their rights are abused, by sharing expertise of Caritas network and other NGOs.

4. To elaborate a position paper that asks for necessary changes in migration and other relevant policy areas to take the needs of women into account.

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Learning English at a vocational centre in Cairo. Thousands of Sudanese refugees live in Egypt, where their mobility and access to jobs is limited by the government.
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Conference agenda

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	Tuesday 30 November	Wednesday 1 December	Thursday 2 December
Morning session	**9.30 – 13.00** **Opening of the Conference** • Fr. Ambroise Tine, Secretary General of Caritas Senegal • Martina Liebsch, Policy Director of Caritas Internationalis **Welcoming by the hosts** • Bishop Jean-Pierre Bassene, President of Caritas Senegal • Archbishop Luis Mariano Montemayor, Apostolic Nuncio to Senegal • High-level official from Senegalese Government **Welcoming address** • Lesley-Anne Knight, Secretary General of Caritas Internationalis **Theological reflections** • Archbishop Antonio Maria Vegliò, Pontifical Council for Migrants and Itinerant People **Coffee – Break** **Key note speech** ***Globalisation of Migrations: the part of women in mobility*** • Catherine de Wenden, Centre d'études et de recherches internationales, Paris **Round Table – Personal reflections on *Feminisation of migration: access to new possibilities and challenges*** • Le Quyen Ngo Dinh, Caritas Roma • Yayi Bayam Diouf, Comité consultatif de la femme au niveau de la région de Dakar • Marie-Beatrice Umutesi, BICE • Chantal Goetz, Fidel Goetz Foundation • Tala Kane, Congad • Sergio Barciela, Cáritas Española	**9.00 – 12.30** **Report back from groups** **Key-note speech** ***Change for Female Migrants: Centered on Security and Development*** • Merlie B. Mendoza, Technical Advisor, Caritas Manila ***What´s new in Caritas?* – Networking and informal presentation of projects** **Coffee break** **Panel debate: *Identifying the gaps – Migration policies which take into account the needs of women*** • Luis Carlos Aguilar Badilla, Caritas Costa Rica • Sr. Laurence Huard, Caritas Algeria • Aida Garcia Naranjo, Cedal Peru • Gloria Moreno-Fontes, ILO • Blandine Mollard, IOM	**9.00 – 13.30** **Report back from working groups** **Evaluation and the way forward from a regional perspective** ***Discussion in regional groups*** **Coffee break** **Possible answers/solutions to migration challenges** ***Panel: Presentation of selected Caritas Practices for Discussion*** • Prevention of migration • Pre-departure counselling • Reception, Integration • Health care for migrants • Support on the journey • Return and Re-integration **Conclusions/ Closing messages** **Mass**
Lunch	**13.00 – 15.00**	**13.00 – 15.00**	**Lunch and departure**
Afternoon session	**15.00 – 18.00 (Working groups)** **Introduction to the working groups** **I. Female migration as a challenge for women, their families and communities** Ia. Impact on women themselves, on their human and cultural development; change of their social roles as members of communities Ib. Impact on families left behind: deficit care Issue papers: a. Janete Ferreira, Caritas Ecuador; Mary Delorey, CRS; Emilio Gomez Ciriano, University of Castilla-La Mancha b. Alessandra Aula, BICE; Christina Coggi, University of Turin **II. Migrant women contribution to communities and society (empowerment, development):** IIa. Integration and re-integration (in the society of origin) of female migrants and its influence on the empowerment and development of (migrant) women IIb. Women's role in creating social capital and their contribution to remittances' flows Issue papers: a. Sara Silvestri, University of Cambridge, City University of London; Najla Chahda, Caritas Lebanon Migrant Center b. Célestin Samba, Caritas Senegal **Mass**	**15.00 – 18.00 (Working groups)** **Introduction to the working groups** **III. Migrant women as a labour force:** IIIa. Regulation of markets of female labour; better access to the labour market; domestic work as a specific case IIIb. Prevent violence, exploitation, abuse, trafficking Issue papers: a. Philippa Smales, APWLD; Br Anthony Rogers, FABC, Philippines b. Genevieve Colas, Secours Catholique; Ilaria Bottigliero, IDLO **IV. Female mobility: legal, social and health implications** IVa. Towards safer channels of female migration: Existing legal framework and gaps IVb. Women in need of international protection Issue papers: a. Blandine Mollard, IOM; Mungreiphy Shimray, Caritas India b. Karin Keil, Caritas Austria; George Joseph, Caritas Sweden; John Bingham, ICMC **V. Policy group: Changes we are asking for – Migration policies that respect the needs of women**	
Evening Event	***Migrants' Stories – Film "Invisibles" produced by Médicins Sans Frontières***	**Musical event**	