

CIM Returning Experts and Integrated Experts **Annual Networking Meet** Hotel Le Meridien, New Delhi 5th-6th July, 2019



July 5th, 2019

- 10:30-11:30 Registration over tea/coffee
- 11:30-13:00 Introductory/Ice breaking Session
- 13:00-14:00 Networking lunch
- 14:00-14:30 Gallery and Networking Session preparation
- 14:30-15:00 Coffee break
- 15:00-15:15 Setting context of the Networking Session
- 15:15-16:45 GIZ presentations and the Marketplace
- 16:45-17:15 Gallery visit and coffee break
- 17:15-17:25 Context of the upcoming session
- 17:25-19:00 Hear from CIM Experts
- 19:00 onwards Gallery visits and networking dinner

July 6th, 2019

10:00-10:30 Tea/ Coffee; Visit of Gallery Boards by IEs & REs; Networking

10:30-11:00 Feedback/ Closing

11:00-11:30 Coffee break; Transition to Training (RE)/ GIZ Project visits (IE)

About CIM

Centre for International Migration and Development (CIM) is a joint operation between German Development Corporation (GIZ) and the German Federal Employment Agency (BA). The Competence in Motion Team at GIZ India is responsible for the implementation of the CIM programmes in India.

Integrated Experts (IE) Programme India:

IEs are highly qualified German or European experts and managers placed in organisations through CIM. At present, 11 IEs are being financed in India.

Global Programme Migration for Development:

The programme strengthens development related contributions of migrants in their countries of origin. It has two areas of focus in India:

1) Development-oriented return (Returning Experts)

CIM supports engagement of migrants from developing and emerging countries by placing them with development sector organisations and by providing financial support for the first 2 years post-return. The programme currently supports 30 REs in India with an active alumni base of over 100 German returnees.

2) Diaspora cooperation

CIM facilitates knowledge sharing through development projects implemented by diaspora organisations and voluntary engagement of diaspora short term experts in their countries of origin.

The Networking Meet 5th-6th July, 2019

Theme : One Person Can Make a Difference

An annual affair, this year's event saw the presence of 42 Returning Experts, 2 Integrated Experts, 26 GIZ colleagues as well as 2 representatives from the German Embassy in India: Mr Dirk Steffes-enn, Deputy Head of Economic Cooperation & Development Division & Ms Geetanjali Subhedar-Shastri, Advisor, Economic Cooperation & Development

The Objective: Getting people and their expertise to the right place at the right time

- 1) To foster networking for the Returning Experts and Integrated Experts amongst each other as well as GIZ
- 2) To provide the participants with a platform to understand the kind of projects undertaken by GIZ
- 3) To provide the participants with an opportunity to showcase their contributions towards achieving agenda 2030 / German Development Cooperation goals



Highlights of the Event

Day 1: July 5th, 2019

An Out-of-the-box Introductory Session

A swift round of introductions quickly gave way to an ice breaking session, comprising various activities and games, which got the interactions going.

Quiz Round

Initially reticent, the participants were soon initiated into a buzzing round of getting-to-know each other as they were quizzed about each other by Ms Richa Arora, Programme Coordinator (India). The activity compelled the participants to flip through the 'MyStory-Book' comprising of brief profiles of all participants. The rewards for each correct answer made the process more fun and engaging for all.



Trading of Skills

The following round involved listing of one's skills and trading them with a fellow participant. In the garb of just a game, the participants were closely acquainted with each other's expertise, both professional and personal.



Address by GIZ Staff & Presentations by Thematic Area Experts

Colleagues from the GIZ Thematic Areas as well as the Portfolio Team joined in during the session and presented the interventions and impact of GIZ in India in their respective fields:

GIZ Portfolio was presented by Ms Martina Burkard. The thematic areas were represented by the following:

Energy: Mr Tobias Winter

Sustainable Economic Development : Ms Anchal Dahima

Environment, Climate Change and Biodiversity : Mr Konrad Uebelhoer
Sustainable Urban and Industrial Development (SUID) : Ms Snigdha Kar
GIZ presentations were followed by the interactions at the thematic booths represented by colleagues from different projects.



Show & Tell: The Gallery Visit

Channelling their inherent creativity, each CIM expert found a unique way to present their work and professional journey at the congregation of activity boards/ market stands called 'the Gallery Visit. This gave them a chance to not only understand each other's work better but also an opportunity to interact freely.

The booths from the various thematic areas were a big hit among the participants who thronged around each to listen their favourite expert or know more about their particular areas of interest. Country Director, Dr Julie Riviere also joined in during the evening networking session.



The Talk Show

To ensure a deeper understanding of the work areas of different experts, a talk show was organised. CIM experts from the various thematic areas such as Rural Development, Climate Change, Sustainability, Academia among others, elaborated upon the nature of their work as well as ongoing and prospective collaboration with other fields. Every round of the talk show was followed by a Q&A session to ensure active engagement of the audience.





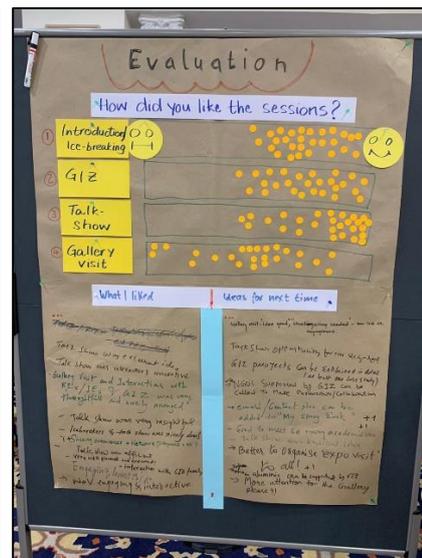
Day 2: July 6th, 2019

Gallery visit session

Where all the REs and IEs had a chance to look at each other's boards one more time.

Feedback session

Detailed discussion about the experience of the networking meet.



Participant Feedback: A little something for everybody

Shajulin Benedict:

"Extremely useful for people finding their way back into the country"

Dr Rhondemo Kikon:

"A source of drawing people out from their isolated work to enlighten, re-energise and motivate them."

Balachandra Hegde:

“An opportunity to enlist help of tech experts from different fields.”

Yarlagadda Karun Kumar:

“Such events help us showcase our work and inspire others to join in.”

Pratik Ranjan Das:

“The event this time around has been particularly useful for me in terms of collaboration with fellow experts.”

Dr Atoho Jakhalu:

“The games made the event much more informal and comfortable and the energy more vibrant. It was great fun!”