Challenges and migration dynamics in the Middle East: possible solutions

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“Migration has long shaped the Middle East (…) with countries in the region often simultaneously representing points of origin, transit and destination” (IOM, 2018)
Patterns:

1) Forced migration and internal displacement as a result of crisis

2) Complex irregular migration flows, driven by a mix of economic and other factors, within and transiting through the region, particularly to and through North Africa and towards Europe

3) The movement of migrants both within and from far beyond the region, with Gulf countries acting as the principal magnet for migrant labour: Kafala System (IOM, 2018)
Recent crisis and its implications: Syrian Arab Republic
Recent crisis and its implications: Iraq
The relationship between forced migrants/asylum seekers/refugees and security
Need to help strengthen countries’s security apparatus
Need to strengthen Higher Education
SOLUTIONS??
Thank you!
¡Gracias!
Merci!
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