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- “Think and Do”-Tank based in Washington DC, London, and Brussels
- Independent and nonpartisan
- Working to reduce global poverty through innovative economic research
- Some success stories:
 - Helped increase the number of female peacekeepers
 - Leading force behind “Global Skill Partnerships” model with pilot projects in several European countries
 - Leading in helping to design the world’s first Development Impact Bonds

Our focus areas...

- Global Health
- Education
- Technology and Development
- Government and Development
- Migration, Displacement and Humanitarian Policy
- Sustainable Development Finance
- Gender and Equality

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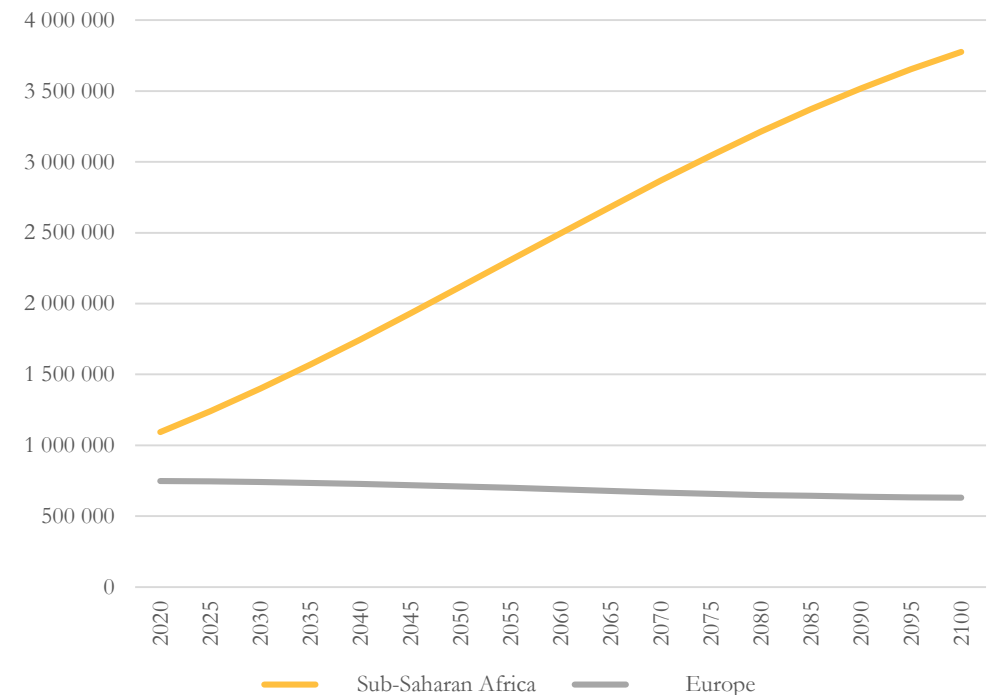
- **The Context.** The relationship between economic growth, demographics, and skill shortages. Why do Europe and Africa need migration partnerships?
- **A Solution: The Global Skill Partnership.** How is it different from other models, where is it being piloted, and what have we learned?

AGENDA

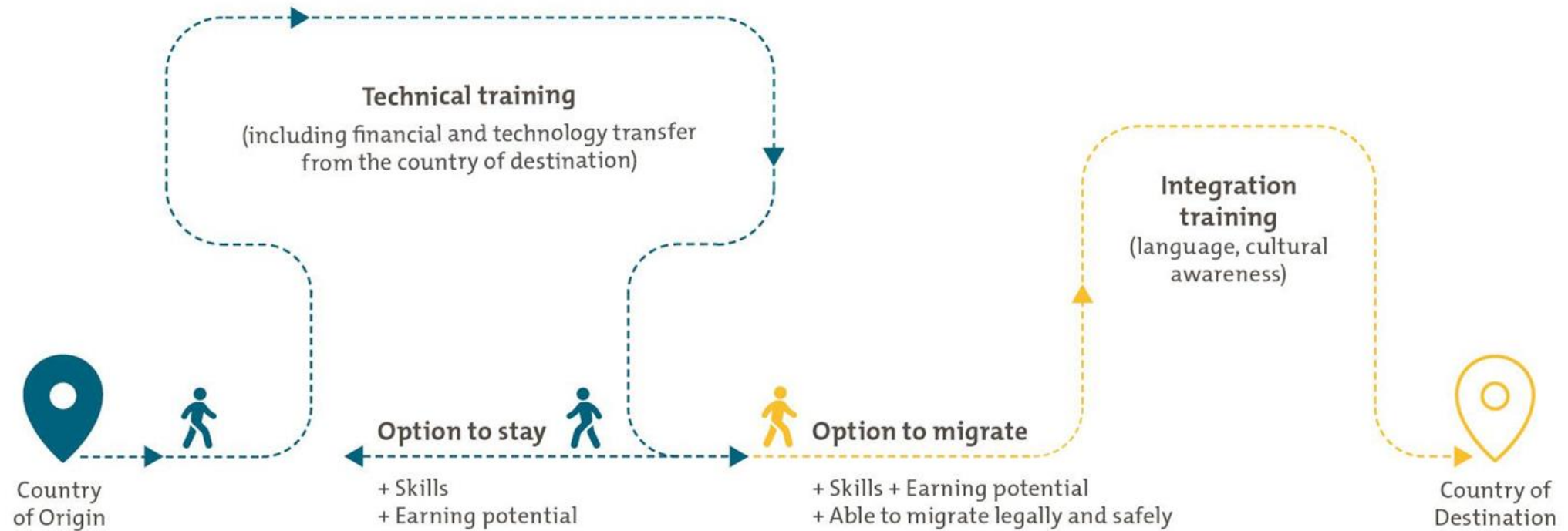
THE CONTEXT

- Within low-income countries, richer people are *more* likely to emigrate
- As low-income countries economically grow, people are *more* likely to emigrate
- Rising working-age population in Africa, and declining working-age population in Europe
- But similar large skill shortages: health care, ICT, construction, hospitality, and tourism
- Skills are not finite!

Working-age population in sub-Saharan Africa and Europe, 2020-2100



A SOLUTION: GLOBAL SKILL PARTNERSHIPS



HOW IS THE GLOBAL SKILL PARTNERSHIP DIFFERENT?

Existing migration models...

... facilitate the entry of already qualified migrants.

... do little to support training institutions in countries of origin.

... may not explicitly link incoming migrants with employer demand.

... focus on low- or high-skill professions.

Global Skill Partnerships...

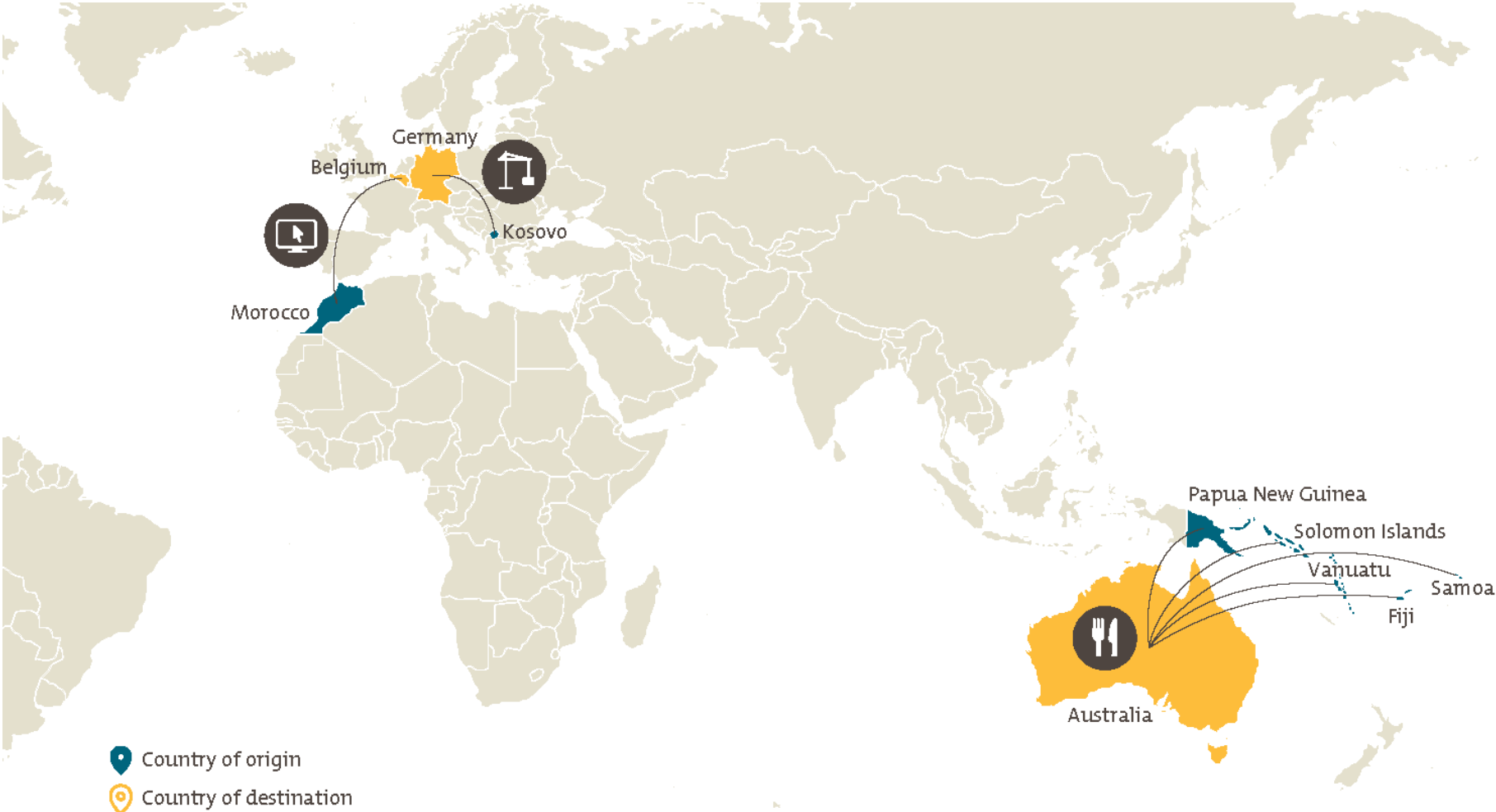
... trains people in skills needed in the country of origin and destination.

... strengthens training institutions.

... works directly with employers in countries of origin and destination.

... focuses on mid-skill professions.

WHERE IS IT BEING PILOTED?



WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED?

- Bring all stakeholders on board from the start
- Make sure the training meets private sector demand
- Keep the partnership flexible
- Preparatory and background work is crucial, but...
- ... they make the process is long and slow.
- Integrate robust evaluations, to prove use case
- Avoid over-promising

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