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Abstract:

As climate change continues to threaten every corner of the world, millions of people find their livelihoods and food security at risk as a result of a warming planet. With their human right to livelihood and adequate nutrition at threat, some make the difficult decision to emigrate in search of economic security. The climate change-migration nexus is illustrated in this poster presentation which shows how slow-onset effects of climate change jeopardize the production of coffee in the Northern Triangle of Central America (NTCA), a region that is particularly vulnerable. Thousands of people who depend on coffee production around Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador have already seen their livelihoods destroyed and consequently were forced to move. The future of such migrants is uncertain, given the continuing ecological crisis in the region and the lack of pathways to legal inclusion for this displaced population.

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