Shortcomings of the Protocol FMP

- Though CSOs & trade unions etc are lobbying for MS to ratify Protocol on Facilitation of Movt of Persons, it has short comings

- Now addressed in the SADC Labour Policy Migration Framework and also partly in the E&L Protocol eg:
  1. No recognition of contribution of labour migration to employment, economic growth, devt, poverty alleviation etc
Shortcomings of the Protocol FMP

2. Provisions regarding enabling, facilitating & management of migration are not adequate eg doesn’t encourage MS to draft&implement coherent migration policies

3. Lack of rights based approach to regulation of migration ie doesn’t include first category of rights to documented&undocumented migrants, doesn’t mention fundamental principles and Rights at Work enshrined in ILO core conventions
Key recommendations

- Ministers responsible for Home Affairs should endorse the policy framework & approve implementation by MS
- Speedy ratification of both Protocol on E&L and Protocol on FMP
- In the long run Protocol on FMP should be aligned to LMPF & Protocol E&L
- Mechanisms to accelerate domestication & implementation of regional policy instruments & other inter. Instruments
- Enforcement of effective regular monitoring & evaluation of agreed regional policy frameworks
Impact of neo-liberal globalisation

- RISDP & national development plans are designed to promote & entrench neo-liberal agenda

Von Werlhof (2008) argues that the logic of neo-liberalism is that:

- all resources, all markets, all money, all profits, all means of production, all “investments opportunities”, all rights, and all power belong to the corporations only.

- The corporations are free to do whatever they please with what they get.
Impact of neo-liberal globalisation

- A level playing field should be created that offers global players best possible conditions. This playing field knows no legal, social, ecological, cultural or national barriers.
- Ironically, we are expected to rely on them to find a way out of the crisis caused by the corporations themselves.
Impact of neo-liberal globalisation

The end results have been:

- Escalation of: Poverty, unemployment, inequality, underemployment, vulnerable employment (precarious work), retrenchment, casualisation, informalisation, outsourcing, capital flight, etc.
Key solution

- These are the drivers of labour migration
- However, the bottom line is neo-liberal agenda which has caused escalation of these drivers
- Hence the solution lies on counter attacking the neo-liberal agenda and then propagate for an alternative paradigm!!!
THANK YOU