GFMD 2014-2015 Common Space

“Working Together in the Post-2015 Development era:
Advancing human security and human development of people on the move”

Introduction

Since 2010, the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD) Common Space has been the principal venue for interaction between Governments, the civil society and other relevant stakeholders during the GFMD Summit meeting.

The GFMD Common Space brings stakeholders from all sectors concerned with migration and development to discuss issues of mutual interest. The overarching theme and sub-themes are decided jointly by the Chair’s Taskforce/Secretariat and the civil society coordinating office ICMC since 2011.


Structure of the GFMD 2014-2015 Common Space

As in the past, the Istanbul Common Space will be held immediately after the opening ceremony of the GFMD Summit, from **15h00 to 19h30**. The structure of the 2015 government-civil society interaction will be as follows:

(a) It will open with an **introductory plenary session (90 minutes) featuring an inspirational key note address** by a global leader (to be announced), who can articulate the rightful place of migrants and migration in the post-2015 development era. The proposed theme of the key note is: “From Millennium to Sustainable Development Goals - integrating migration on the agenda of the 21st century.” The keynote will be followed by a small, moderated and semi-structured panel comprised of government and civil society representatives, and then an interactive question-and-answer session with the floor.

(b) After the introductory plenary, government and civil society delegates will proceed to the break-out sessions. There will be **three parallel break-out sessions (105 minutes)** with panels featuring government authorities, civil society leaders, and other relevant stakeholders. The break-out sessions will focus on the following themes:

1. **Partnerships and action for the protection of migrants in crises and in transit**
2. **Partnerships and action for decent migrant labour recruitment and employment**
3. **Beyond xenophobia and exclusion: local partnerships and action for the social inclusion of migrants and diasporas**

The cross-cutting theme of “**Partnerships and action on indicators and implementation of the new SDGs**” will run across all break-out sessions. This means each session will aim to identify concrete indicators and ways of implementation to ensure protection of migrants in crises and in transit, decent migrant labour recruitment and employment, and social inclusion of migrants and diaspora.

(c) Following the 2-hour break-out sessions, all delegates will reconvene for a **wrap-up plenary session (45 minutes)**. Rapporteurs of the three parallel break-out sessions will present a brief report on the highlights of each session.
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| **15.00 – 16.30**  
Introductory plenary, with keynote and respondents  
(90minutes): *From Millennium to Sustainable Development Goals – integrating migration on the agenda of the 21st Century* | Moderator: Mr. Peter Sutherland, UN Secretary-General’s Special Representative for International Migration  
Co-Moderator: Mr. Gibril Faal, Director of GK Partners and Interim Director of ADEPT | Keynote: Ms. Mari Kiviniemi, Deputy Secretary General, Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development  
Respondent:  
-Ambassador William Lacy Swing, Director General, International Organization for Migration (IOM)  
-Panel - Davos-style:  
-H.E. Mr. Anis Birrou, Minister in charge of Moroccans Living Abroad and Migration Affairs  
-H.E. Mr. Alexander de Croo, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Development Cooperation, Digital Agenda, Post and Telecommunications, Belgium  
-Ms. Anne Richard, Assistant Secretary of State for Population, Refugees and Migration, United States  
-Dr. Fuat Oktay, President, Afet ve Acil Durum Yönetimi Başkanlığı (AFAD), Prime Ministry-Disaster and Emergency Management Authority of Turkey  
-Ms. Ayse Cihan Sultanoglu, UN Assistant Secretary-General and Assistant Administrator and Director of the Regional Bureau for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States (RBEC), the UN Development Programme (UNDP) |
| **16.45 – 18.30**  
Parallel Breakout session 1 (105 mins): Partnerships and action for the protection of migrants in crises and in transit | Moderator: Mr. John Slocum, Director of Migration, MacArthur Foundation  
Rapporteur: Ms. Sumitha Shaanthinni Kishna, Coordinator, Migration Working Group, Malaysia | -Ms. Anne Richard, Assistant Secretary of State for Population, Refugees and Migration, United States  
-Mr. Vasilios Papadopoulos, Secretary General of Population and Social Cohesion, Greece  
-Ms. Jyoti Sanghera, Chief, Human Rights and Economic and Social Issues Section, UN Office of High Commissioner for Human Rights  
-Ms. MaryJo Toll, Chair, NGO Committee on Migration, New York (a member of CoNGO)  
-Dr. Carolina Jimenez Sandoval, Deputy Director-Research, Amnesty International, Americas  
-Ms. Zeynep Gündüz, Chief Executive Officer, RET International |
| **16.45 – 18.30**  
Parallel Breakout session 2 (105 mins): Partnerships and action for decent migrant labour recruitment and employment | Moderator: -Mr. Erol Kiresepi, Vice President of Turkish Confederation of Employers’ Unions (TİSK) | -Mr. Jesus Yabes, Undersecretary for Migrant Workers’ Affairs, Philippines  
-Mr. Lars Westbratt, State Secretary for Migration, Ministry of Justice, Sweden  
-Mr. Francisco Carrion Mena, Chair of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (CMW) |
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<td>Parallel Breakout session 3 (105 mins): Beyond xenophobia and exclusion: local partnerships and action for the social inclusion of migrants and diaspora</td>
<td>Ms. Elizabeth Mauldin, Policy Director at Centro de los Derechos del Migrante, Inc.</td>
<td>-Mr. Ryszard Cholewinski, Labour Migration Branch, International Labour Organization -Ms. Annie Enriquez Geron, President, Public Services Labor Independent Confederation (PSLINK) and Vice President, PSI -Ms Tatcee Macabuag Secretariat, Migrant Forum in Asia</td>
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<td>18.45 – 19.30</td>
<td>Concluding plenary session (45 mins)</td>
<td>Mr. Peter Sutherland, UN Secretary-General’s Special Representative for International Migration</td>
<td>-Mr. Goetz Schmidt-Bremme Director for Legal and Consular Issues including Migration, Federal Foreign Office -Mr. Shahidul Haque, Foreign Secretary, Bangladesh -H. E. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, High Representative of the UN Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) -Mr. Badji Nfaly, Directeur, Agence Régionale de Développement de Sédhiou Santassou II (Ex Douane), Senegal -Ms. Nazek Ramadan Moussa, Executive Director of Migrant Voice</td>
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