

Thematic Workshop on GFMD's Contribution to the GCM

6 September 2017, Vienna

The New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants of 19 September 2016 recognized the valuable role of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD) in promoting a better understanding of international migration and development issues, and envisaged a contribution from the GFMD to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM). This was re-confirmed in paragraph 22(b) of the GCM Modalities Resolution. Taking up this invitation, GFMD Ad hoc Working Group on the 2030 Agenda and the Global Compact on Migration has been mandated to lead GFMD efforts to prepare the GFMD's draft contribution to the GCM.

The GFMD 2017-2018 Co-Chairs Germany and Morocco together with the co-conveners Philippines and Sweden cordially invite the GFMD Friends of the Forum to a Thematic Workshop to substantiate the GFMD's input to the GCM:

- The workshop will inform the GFMD Friends of the Forum on the content of the report, which is based on an analysis of main recommendations from previous GFMD Summits. This document uses the same cluster structure as the consultative process for the GCM outlined in the Modalities Resolution, without preempting the structure of the Compact itself. Rather than aiming at covering all elements of the GCM, the report concentrates on those aspects of the Compact GFMD has acquired substantive expertise on over the last decade.
- Building on three GFMD Dialogues on the Global Compact on Migration organized by the GFMD Chair 2016 on 14 November 2016 in New York, and the Co-Chairs 2017-2018 on 2 February 2017 and 6 April 2017 in Geneva, respectively, the Thematic Workshop aims at identifying action areas for the GCM.

The final version of the report will be shared for endorsement by the GFMD Steering Group and the GFMD Friends of the Forum in advance of the stocktaking meeting for the Global Compact, to be held in Mexico in December 2017.

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09h00 – 18h00
Hotel Savoyen, Vienna

Provisional Agenda

(as of 04 September 2017)

9h00 – 10h00	Opening in Plenary		
	<p>Welcome remarks by Ambassador Götz Schmidt-Bremme, Co-Chair Germany</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opening statements by the Co-Conveners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Sarah Arriola, Undersecretary for Migrant Workers' Affairs, Department of Foreign Affairs, Philippines • Mr. Ola Henrikson, Director General for Migration and Asylum, Ministry of Justice, Sweden - Video Message by Mrs. Louise Arbour, SRSB for International Migration <p><i>Venue: Olympia Mancini 2</i></p>		
10h00 – 10h30	Coffee break		
10h30 – 12h30	Simultaneous Working Sessions		
	<p>Human Rights of all migrants, social inclusion, cohesion and all forms of discrimination, including racism, xenophobia and intolerance</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Arturo Cabrera, Ecuador</p> <p>Overview on GCM report: Mr. Esteban Conejos</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr. Craig Mokhiber, OHCHR</p> <p><i>Venue: Olympia Mancini 2</i></p>	<p>Irregular migration and regular pathways, including decent work, labor mobility, development and recognition of skills and qualifications and other relevant measures</p> <p>Chair: Amb. Michel Lastschenko, Belgium</p> <p>Overview on GCM report: Mr. Eduard Gnesa</p> <p>Rapporteur: Ms. Michelle Leighton, ILO</p> <p><i>Venue: Olympia Mancini 1A</i></p>	<p>International cooperation and governance of migration in all its dimensions, including at borders, on transit, entry, return, readmission, integration and reintegration</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Ola Henrikson, Sweden</p> <p>Overview on GCM report: Mr. Steffen Angenendt</p> <p>Rapporteur: Ms. Michele Klein-Solomon, IOM</p> <p><i>Venue : Olympia Mancini 3B</i></p>
12h30 – 14h00	Lunch		

14h00 – 16h00	Simultaneous Working Sessions		
	<p>Contributions of migrants and diasporas to all dimensions of sustainable development, including remittances and portability of earned benefits</p> <p>Chair: Amb. Israhyananda Dhalladoo, Mauritius</p> <p>Overview on GCM report: Ms. Kathleen Newland</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr. Chukwu-Emeka Chikezie, Up-Africa !</p> <p><i>Venue: Olympia Mancini 2</i></p>	<p>Addressing drivers of migration, including adverse effects of climate change, natural disasters and human-made crises, through protection and assistance, sustainable development, poverty eradication, conflict prevention and resolution</p> <p>Chair: Amb. Evan P. Garcia, Philippines</p> <p>Overview on GCM report: Mr. Eduard Gnesa</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr. Lukas Gehrke, ICMPD</p> <p><i>Venue : Olympia Mancini 1A</i></p>	<p>Smuggling of migrants, trafficking in persons and contemporary forms of slavery, including appropriate identification, protection and assistance to migrants and trafficking victims</p> <p>Chair: Amb. R.M. Michael Tene, Indonesia</p> <p>Overview on GCM report: Mr. Esteban Conejos</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr. Sacha Chan Kam, IOM</p> <p><i>Venue: Olympia Mancini 3B</i></p>
16h00 – 16h30	Coffee break		
16h30 – 18h00	Closing in Plenary		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reporting back: 6 rapporteurs - Closing words by Mr. El Habib Nadir, Secretary General, Ministry Delegate to the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation in charge of Moroccans Living Abroad and Migration Affairs, Co-Chair Morocco <p><i>Venue: Olympia Mancini 2</i></p>		