

“GFMD Reflection on Migration-related SDGs in the Agenda 2030”

Date and time

Wednesday, 12 July 2017

13h15 – 14h30: Side Event

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Purpose

Presentation of the GFMD contribution to the HLPF 2017

Organizers

Germany and Morocco, GFMD 2017-2018 Co-Chairs
Bangladesh, GFMD 2016 Co-Chair

Brief description of the side event

As an intergovernmental body, the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD) has been invited to provide substantive input to the 2017 High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) showcasing its contribution towards the 2030 Agenda in general, and particularly for the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and respective targets that are most relevant to GFMD’s mandate. Taking up this invitation, the GFMD 2017-2018 Co-Chairs, through the GFMD Ad hoc Working Group on the 2030 Agenda and the Global Compact on Migration, led GFMD efforts to prepare the GFMD’s contribution to the HLPF.

The report highlights the manifold **linkages between migration and the SDGs and explores the explicit and implicit references to migration in the 2030 Agenda, by using the following broadly defined categories:**

1. **Explicit migration-related** targets;
2. Targets that can and should address the specific **vulnerability and protection gaps specific to** all groups of migrants and thus offer **corresponding** mechanisms to address these;
3. Targets that could benefit from the **potential of migration and migrants;**

4. Targets that address drivers of migration including **employment** or **employment creation** and thus have a direct influence on poverty alleviation and lowering of migration pressure.

Aside from showcasing that migration is reflected in various ways throughout the Agenda 2030, the event will furthermore discuss how a set of migration-related governance structures would have to look like in order to **leave no one behind**.

Programme

- Opening remarks by
 - **Dr. Götz Schmidt-Bremme**, Ambassador for the 2017-2018 GFMD Co-Chairmanship
 - **Ms. Louise Arbour**, Special Representative of the UN Secretary General for International Migration
- Panel Discussion
 - **Ambassador Masud Bin Momen**, Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations in New York
 - **Mr. Andreas Pfeil**, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations, on behalf of the German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
 - **Ms. Deborah Greenfield**, Deputy Director General for Policy, International Labour Organization

Facilitator: **Dr. Kathleen Newland**, Senior Fellow and Co-Founder, Migration Policy Institute

- Open Discussion
- Closing remarks by
 - **Mr. El Habib Nadir**, Secretary General, Ministry Delegate to Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation in charge of Moroccans Living Abroad and Migration Affairs