

Swedish GFMD Chairmanship 2013-2014  
**GFMD Thematic Survey – for GFMD Government Focal Points**  
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***General instructions for responding to the Survey questions***

Please respond to this Survey questionnaire by **31 July**. The Survey questionnaire can be filled out directly in this document or online at the GFMD website <http://www.gfmd.org/en/pfp/thematic-survey>. Please send any hard copies via e-mail to: [swedenchair2013-2014@gfmd.org](mailto:swedenchair2013-2014@gfmd.org) or fax to +4122 788 4948.

*There are two types of questions in this survey:*

- *The multiple-choice questions ask for a number of examples of policies, strategies or tools that your government might have in place relevant to the Roundtable topics. These examples also serve as a source of inspiration for providing more in-depth information. You may provide as many specific examples as applicable of the policies and practices relevant to each GFMD Roundtable theme. You are encouraged to attach supporting documents and provide web addresses where more relevant information can be found when you send your completed questionnaire back to us ([swedenchair2013-2014@gfmd.org](mailto:swedenchair2013-2014@gfmd.org)). You can upload these supporting documents if you fill out the Survey questionnaire online (<http://www.gfmd.org/en/pfp/thematic-survey>).*
- *The other questions require a narrative answer, i.e. further explanation/description of the policies and practices that you have checked or referred to in the multiple-choice questions. You are requested to provide a response of up to 1000 words. If you are not responding to the questionnaire online, please answer through this Word document, which will automatically adjust the space requirement.*

***Permission to upload data/information on the public GFMD Database***

- Please check this box if you grant the Swedish GFMD Task Force/Support Unit permission to include data/information from your responses in section A-L below, in the GFMD Policy and Practice Database.*

## 1.1 Operationalizing Mainstreaming and Coherence in Migration and Development Policies

### A. Does your government apply any of the following strategies or tools for migration and development policy coherence?

*Please check all that apply (at least one)*

- Consultations and coordinating mechanisms (e.g. focal points, units, inter-ministerial taskforces)
- Incorporating migration in national poverty-reduction or development strategy plans
- Including migration in national development surveys (e.g. household surveys)
- Incorporating migration issues in development cooperation with partner countries (as a donor)
- Regularly monitoring development impacts of migration at national or sectorial level
- None/Not applicable
- Other: 3T

### B. Please provide as many specific examples as applicable of how your government has implemented or operationalized the strategies listed above: How have legislation, policy frameworks, programmes, or projects been effective for policy coherence and the mainstreaming of migration in development policies? Include if possible already evaluated initiatives. (1000 word limit)

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## 1.2 Framing Migration for the MDGs and the Post-2015 UN Development Agenda

### C. Does your government systematically draw on the contributions or experiences of migrants/diasporas in any of the following development-related policy sectors or areas?

*Please check all that apply (at least one)*

- Poverty reduction
- Agriculture
- Health
- Education
- Social protection
- Employment and access to decent work
- Economic sector development and growth
- Gender and women's empowerment
- Financing for development
- None/Not applicable
- Other: 3T

### D. If relevant, please provide as many specific examples as applicable of areas where migration has contributed to achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) in your country. Include if possible already evaluated initiatives (legislation, policy frameworks, programmes or projects). (1000 word limit)

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## 2.1 Enhancing the Development Impacts of Labour Migration and Circular Mobility

**E. Does your government facilitate labour migration with any of the following strategies or tools?**  
*Please check all that apply (at least one)*

- Legal framework and/or bilateral agreements addressing key labor-shortage/surplus sectors (e.g. engineering, energy/mining, IT, construction, hospitality, agriculture)
- Regulation and/or monitoring of recruitment service providers
- Internet-websites for matching employer vacancies with migrant applicants (e.g. with job descriptions, applicant CVs, model contract conditions)
- Agreements with partner countries to better assess and validate foreign credentials (e.g. bilateral or regional mutual recognition agreements).
- Partnerships with employers (e.g. employer-led language or vocational training, government support to hire migrants)
- None/Not applicable
- Other: 3T

**F. Please provide as many specific examples as applicable of the items you checked above:** How have legislation, policy frameworks, programmes or projects been effective in matching supply and demand of labor migration? Include if possible already evaluated initiatives. (1000 word limit)  
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## 2.2 Facilitating Positive Development Impacts of Diaspora Engagement

**G. Which of the following policies or tools does your government provide to facilitate diaspora transfers of knowledge, skills, investments and trade?**  
*Please check all that apply (at least one)*

- Tax incentives (e.g. exempting customs duties and fees on the importation of household goods of returnees; temporarily reducing income tax rates for returning citizens; lower tariffs on imported raw materials and equipment; or tax deductions on charitable contributions)
- Access to information or networks (e.g. “one-stop-shops” with information/networking for business loans or programmes pairing local entrepreneurs/business owners with diaspora)
- Portability of pensions and social security, or medical and life insurance
- Flexible citizenship laws or residence and visa requirements (e.g. dual/multiple citizenship, special property rights, land purchase rights, legislation that officially recognizes emigrants/members of the diaspora as an integral part of the national development plan)
- None/Not applicable
- Other: 3T

**H. Please provide as many specific examples as applicable of the items you checked above:** How have legislation, policy frameworks, programmes or projects been effective in facilitating diaspora transfers? Include if possible already evaluated initiatives. (1000 word limit)  
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### 3.1 Empowering Migrants, Households and Communities for Improved Social Development Outcomes

**I. How does your government protect, support and inform *emigrants and immigrants*?**

*Please check all that apply (at least one)*

- Access to welfare services for *immigrants* (e.g. language training, access to legal aid, decent working conditions, social security schemes, portability of pension rights)
- Protection and services to *emigrants* (e.g. pre-departure orientation or training, insurance, consular services)
- Prevention and awareness-raising of the risks and costs of irregular migration, trafficking, smuggling and employer abuse
- Services for families left behind (e.g. financial management and entrepreneurship training, addressing dependencies, family break-ups, school dropouts, child abuse, loss of skills in local communities)
- None/Not applicable
- Other: 3T

**J. Please provide as many specific examples as applicable of the items you checked above: How have legislation, policy frameworks, programmes or projects been implemented and effective in protecting, empowering and supporting both emigrants and immigrants? Include if possible already evaluated initiatives. (1000 word limit)**

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### 3.2 Migrant Asset Transfers and their Effects on Health and Education

**K. How does your government ensure that the transfer of remittances and other economic and social assets such as skills contribute to positive health and education outcomes?**

*Please check all that apply (at least one)*

- Policies to retain or attract back skilled professionals (e.g. ethical recruitment guidelines, twinning initiatives between hospitals and education centres in countries of origin and residence, sabbatical leave-systems, job placement services)
- Incentive systems to encourage migrant households to voluntarily spend remittances in ways that improve access to (and quality of) education and health services (e.g. public-private partnerships, government co-funding of migrant/diaspora initiatives, micro-insurance projects)
- Services to help migrants and/or households adapt to the effects of emigration (e.g. monitoring and counteracting possible negative effects on health and education)
- None/Not applicable
- Other: 3T

**L. Please provide as many specific examples as applicable of the items you checked above: How have legislation, policy frameworks, programmes or projects been effective in facilitating migrant asset transfers to contribute to positive health and education outcomes? Include if possible already evaluated initiatives. (1000 word limit)**

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***GFMD Focal points, expert network and national consultations***  
*(information shared below will not be displayed on the public GFMD Database)*

- M. As a GFMD Focal Point, please provide a list of your migration and development-related national contact points with name, function and contact details in various ministries, authorities and agencies.** The aim of this list is to improve the ability of the GFMD Thematic Roundtables to connect with appropriate expertise – including for the *GFMD Expert Network*.  
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- N. If applicable, please provide examples of how your government has voluntarily implemented or followed-up on past GFMD recommendations and outcomes.**  
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- O. What consultation mechanisms does your government have in place, that allow policymakers, civil society organizations and private sector stakeholders to discuss and reflect on GFMD issues and outcomes at the national and local level?**  
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- P. Please provide any other comments and information that you think is relevant for the GFMD thematic priorities and work process.** Here you can also add information that did not fit within the 1000 word limit of some of the previous questions.  
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**Thank You!**