Agenda

"Towards a Common Vision and Joint Action in Implementing the GCM at the National Level"

A GFMD Thematic Workshop

Co-convened by the Governments of the Philippines and Bahrain
Palais des Nations, Geneva
21-22 March 2019

DAY 1 - Thursday, 21 March		
10h00 – 11h00	**Opening Session** **Welcome Remarks** • **Mr. Santiago Chávez Pareja**, Vice Minister for Human Mobility of Ecuador, GFMD 2019 Chair *(video message)* • **Ambassador Emilio Rafael Izquierdo Miño**, Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the UNOG • **Ms. Sarah Lou Arriola**, Undersecretary for Migrant Workers' Affairs, Philippines • **Mr. Ausamah Al Absi**, Chief Executive Officer, Labor Market Regulatory Authority, Kingdom of Bahrain **Keynote**: *Supporting systematic, robust and inclusive approaches to GCM implementation* • **Ambassador Laura Thompson,** IOM Deputy Director General **Open Discussion** • **Moderator: Mr. Andres Montalvo**, Coordinator, GFMD 2019 Chairmanship of Ecuador, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility	Room XVI 5th Floor Building A
11h00 - 11h30	**Framing / Setting the Problem Questions for the Three Parallel Thematic Sessions** • Moderator: **Ms. Kathleen Newland**, Senior Fellow and Co-Founder, Migration Policy Institute Hosts / Thematic Experts: o **Ms. Pia Oberoi**, Advisor on Migration and Human Rights, OHCHR o **Mr. Riad Meddeb**, Policy Advisor, Sustainable Development and Economic Recovery, UNDP o **Ms. Michelle Leighton**, Chief, Labour Migration (MIGRANT) Branch, ILO Guiding Questions: o What are the main challenges when it comes to the formulation of national action plans in your area of concern (i.e. human rights; regular pathways; fair and ethical recruitment)?	

	o What are your concrete expectations for this workshop? o What outcomes/results would you like to achieve?	
11h30 – 13h00	**First Round of Thematic Sessions**[1] **Theme 1**: *Human Rights-Based Approaches in Developing GCM National Implementation Plans as a transversal issue* o Host: **Ms. Pia Oberoi,** OHCHR Guiding Questions: o What are your priority human rights issues/areas (and in which Objectives of the GCM can they be found) that you believe should be included in a human rights-based national implementation plan? o How do we ensure that national action plans aim to 'reach the furthest behind first' (in line with the SDG agenda)? What steps has your government taken to assess your national experience in the light of the GCM, and has this assessment had any particular human rights lens? o What must happen in order to ensure a whole-of-government and whole-of-society approach in consulting, adopting and implementing human rights-based national action plans?	Room XVI 5th Floor Building A
	Theme 2: *Creating Regular Pathways for Migration for Sustainable Development – GCM Objective 5* o Host: **Mr. Riad Meddeb,** UNDP Guiding Questions: o What do you see as the key strategies to substantially open regular migration pathways? o What are they key obstacles you see for meaningful increases of regular pathways, and more importantly, what can be done to overcome them? o What is the role of bilateral, regional and multilateral agreements to facilitate mobility within regular pathways?	Room XI 3rd Floor Building A
	Theme 3: *Promoting Fair and Ethical Recruitment and Decent Work – GCM Objective 6* o Hosts: **Ms. Maria Gallotti** and **Ms. Heike Lautenschlager**, ILO Guiding Questions: o What innovative practices, policies, and regulatory frameworks have been developed by Governments and other stakeholders to ensure the progressive elimination of recruitment fees and related costs charged to migrant workers; and what are the challenges in implementing these measures? o Which accountability and oversight mechanisms are in place to ensure that public and private recruitment regulations and practices are monitored, and access to justice is ensured in cases of non-compliance, especially for women migrant workers? o What are the challenges and opportunities for business, both at multinational and SME level, to really incorporate fair recruitment practices; and what role can Governments and other stakeholders, including workers' organizations play in cooperating with business to promote such practices?	Room VII 3rd Floor Building A
13h00 - 15h00	**Lunch break**	

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[1] These sessions will be conducted in a "Knowledge Café" format. See Guidance Note:
https://gfmd.org/files/documents/guidance_note_for_knowledge_cafe_sessions.pdf

15h00 - 16h30	**Second Round of Thematic Sessions** *(same topics and structure)*	Same rooms
16h30 - 18h00	**Third Round of Thematic Sessions** *(same topics and structure)*	Same rooms
18h15 -19h45	**Reception** hosted by Co-conveners	Bar Serpent 1st Floor Building E

	DAY 2 – Friday, 22 March	
10h00 - 11h00	**Wrap-up of the first day and Presentation of Outcomes of Thematic Sessions** • Moderator: **Ms. Kathleen Newland**, Senior Fellow and Co-Founder, Migration Policy Institute Knowledge Café Hosts: • **Ms. Pia Oberoi**, OHCHR - Human Rights Approaches • **Mr. Riad Meddeb**, UNDP - Regular Pathways • **Ms. Heike Lautenschlager,** ILO - Fair Recruitment and Decent Work **Open Discussion**	Room XVI 5th Floor Building A
11h00 - 13h00	**Panel Discussion**: *Ensuring successful GCM Implementation -- A Collective Aspiration and a Shared Responsibility* • Moderator: **Mr. Jonathan Prentice**, Head of Secretariat, UN Migration Network Speakers: • **Ms. Sarah Lou Arriola**, Undersecretary for Migrant Workers' Affairs, Philippines • **Mr. Ausamah Al Absi**, Chief Executive Officer, Labor Market Regulatory Authority, Kingdom of Bahrain • **Ms. Alexis Bautista**, Program Assistant, Migrant Forum in Asia • **Mr. Michiel van Campen,** Executive Director, Permits Foundation • **Mr. Lefteris Papagiannakis,** Vice – Mayor for Migrants, Refugees and Municipal Decentralization, City of Athens • **Mr. Rainer Kern**, Office of the Mayor, City of Mannheim Guiding Questions: ○ In how far and in which particular areas can multi-stakeholder partnerships add value for effective implementation for the GCM goals in question? ○ Please share good practices/examples from your country/organization on how to implement mentioned GCM objectives through international cooperation and global partnerships.	Room XVI 5th Floor Building A

	o Which multi-stakeholder coalitions to advance the implementation of the three GCM objectives are already underway and what is needed to form and/or maintain these implementation coalitions? o Based on the recognition that migration and sustainable development are multidimensional and interdependent (GCM Objective 23), what would be the possible ways to align the implementation of the GCM in particular with the 2030 Agenda and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda (AAAA)?	
13h00 - 15h00	**Lunch Break**	
15h00 - 16h30	**Ensuring successful GCM Implementation** – *National Perspectives on Lessons Learned as a way to develop / improve existing national plan* • Moderator: **Mr. Stephane Jaquemet,** Director of Policy, International Catholic Migration Commission (ICMC) Speakers: • **Ambassador Raúl Heredia**, Deputy Permanent Representative of Mexico to the UNOG • **Mr. Mohamed Amine Boukhris**, First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Morocco to the UNOG • **Ms. Jill Helke**, Director for International Cooperation and Partnerships, IOM, Coordinator of the UN Network for Migration • **Ms. Veronique Lamontagne**, Adviser, Office for International Affairs, City of Montreal Guiding Questions: o Please share good practices/examples, but also challenges and bottlenecks when it comes to the formulation of GCM national action plans? o In what specific ways could the GFMD support your country in developing national action plans? o To what extent would your country/organization benefit from a more systematic exchange with the UN system in general, and the UN Migration Network in particular, in implementing the GCM?	Room XVI 5th Floor Building A
16h30 - 17h00	**Closing Session** • **Ms. Kathleen Newland**, Senior Fellow and Co-Founder, Migration Policy Institute • **Ambassador Evan P. Garcia**, Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the UNOG • **Mr. Ausamah Al Absi,** Chief Executive Officer, Labor Market Regulatory Authority, Kingdom of Bahrain • **Ambassador Emilio Rafael Izquierdo Miño**, Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the UNOG	Room XVI 5th Floor Building A