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## COUNCIL

### 106th Session

#### RESOLUTION No. 1310

(Adopted on 24 November 2015 by the Council at its 106th Session)

#### MIGRATION GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK

*The Council,*

*Considering* the IOM Constitution and in particular Article 1.1(c) regarding, inter alia, the Organization's purpose and function to provide advisory services on migration questions and other assistance, as well as Article 1.1(e) regarding the Organization's purpose and function to provide a forum for the exchange of views and experiences, and the promotion of cooperation and coordination of efforts on international migration issues,

*Considering also* the IOM Strategy (Council Resolution No. 1150 of 7 June 2007) and other relevant Council resolutions, including Council Resolution No. 1244 of 27 November 2012 affirming the support of Member States for the recognition of the current and future role of IOM as the global lead agency on migration,

*Confirming* IOM's commitment to the principle that humane and orderly migration benefits migrants and society,

*Considering* IOM's mandate to act with its partners in the international community in order to assist in meeting the growing operational challenges of migration management, including in response to migration crises, to advance understanding of migration issues, to encourage social and economic development through migration and to uphold the human dignity and well-being of migrants,

*Recognizing* the sovereignty and territorial integrity of States, including the right of each State to determine who enters and stays in its territory and under which conditions, within the framework of international law,

*Recalling* the principles of international law relevant to migration encompassing, inter alia, obligations under human rights, refugee, labour, humanitarian, maritime and transnational criminal law,

*Aware* of the Declaration of the High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development (A/RES/68/4) and in particular paragraph 1 recognizing that international migration is a multidimensional reality and a cross-cutting phenomenon that should be addressed in a coherent, comprehensive and balanced manner,

*Taking note* of the “Making migration work: an eight-point agenda for action” contained in the Report of the Secretary-General on international migration and development (A/68/190), and “The 5-year Action Plan for Collaboration”, civil society’s proposal for an outcome and follow-up to the United Nations 2013 High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development,

*Recalling* the Berne Initiative process and its *International Agenda for Migration Management* (published in 2005), containing a set of common understandings for the management of international migration,

*Recalling* IOM’s comparative advantage in addressing the migration dimensions of crises based on its migration management mandate and expertise and the IOM Migration Crisis Operational Framework (Council Resolution No. 1243 of 27 November 2012),

*Appreciating* IOM’s role and experience as the lead international organization in the field of migration and its comparative advantage in addressing migration and mobility governance, and in particular position papers issued in the lead-up to the World Humanitarian Summit and the 2013 High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development (including the paper “IOM activities and possible ‘high-road scenarios’ for the four round-table themes”),

*Recognizing* that this is an era of unprecedented mobility and that the need to support coherent, comprehensive and balanced approaches to migration is becoming increasingly relevant,

*Aware* of the adoption by the United Nations General Assembly of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (A/69/L.85) and in particular Sustainable Development Target 10.7 to facilitate orderly, safe, regular and responsible migration and mobility of people, including through the implementation of planned and well-managed migration policies,

*Recalling* Council Resolution No. 1270 of 29 November 2013 affirming the support of Member States for IOM’s role in the discussions on the post-2015 development agenda, in particular discussions related to migration and development,

*Mindful* of the requests that IOM has received for advice on governing all aspects of migration,

*Acknowledging* IOM’s commitment to using results-based approaches in its projects, and its desire to continue to improve how it plans and reports on the results achieved by the Organization,

*Aware* that there is no single convention or framework presenting a coherent, comprehensive and balanced approach to migration governance which is also practical, concrete and concise,

*Mindful* of the differences in the needs, interests and priorities of Member States, which will affect how they choose to apply a coherent, comprehensive and balanced approach to migration,

*Reaffirming* the importance of IOM's partnerships with other international and regional actors and the continued complementarity of IOM activities to their mandates, IOM's ongoing commitment and support to existing legal and institutional frameworks, IOM's role in the Global Migration Group, and the Organization's expertise in issues related to migration and mobility,

1. *Expresses its gratitude* to the Director General for this initiative;
  2. *Welcomes* the IOM Migration Governance Framework;
  3. *Requests* the Director General to use and apply the Migration Governance Framework to guide the Organization's activities on the basis of available resources, in cooperation with its partners, including in supporting capacity-building and training, project development, and planning and reporting at IOM;
  4. *Further requests* the Director General to report to the IOM Council on a regular basis on how the Migration Governance Framework is being applied and on any other relevant updates or developments;
  5. *Encourages* Member States to use the Migration Governance Framework to enhance their own governance of migration and mobility, with support from IOM.
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