Global Compact for Safe, Orderly Regular Migration (GCM): From Process to Substance
MIGRATION – A MAJOR GLOBAL ISSUE

• 244 million international migrants, but just 3.3% of world population

• 150 million migrant workers

• Growing xenophobia & discrimination

• Inclusion of migration in recent multilateral agreements
  • 2030 SDGs
  • Addis Ababa Action Agenda
  • Sendai Disaster Risk Reduction Framework
  • Paris Climate Change Agreement
  • New Urban Agenda

• Need comprehensive, long-term vision for human mobility
Heads of State and Government committed to:

(a) **protect** safety, dignity, rights of all migrants, regardless of migratory status;

(b) **support** countries rescuing, receiving & hosting large numbers of refugees & migrants;

(c) **integrate** migrants – needs/capacities & those of receiving communities – in humanitarian & development planning;

(d) **combat** xenophobia, racism & discrimination;

(e) **develop** state-led process, non-binding principles & voluntary guidelines on treatment of vulnerable migrants; and

(f) **strengthen** global governance of migration, including by bringing IOM into the UN & development of a Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration.
THE GLOBAL COMPACT ON MIGRATION

- Framed by 2030 SDGs: MSs committed to cooperate internationally to facilitate safe, orderly and regular migration;

- **Principles, commitments & understandings** on international migration in all its dimensions;

- Contribute to **global governance and enhance coordination** on international migration;

- **Framework for comprehensive international cooperation** on migrants & human mobility;

- **All aspects of international migration** – humanitarian, developmental, human rights-related & other aspects;

- **Guided** by the 2030 SDGs & Addis Ababa Action Agenda & **informed** by the Declaration of 2013 HLD on International Migration & Development
Global Compact promises that migration, will, at last, be guided by a set of common principles and approaches.

- Recognize States’ sovereign right to decide who may enter their territories, consistent with international law.

- The GCM is to foster more robust collaboration on migration.
Clear, transparent, inclusive process - views, expertise and priorities of:

- MSs – all regions
- UN, regional and sub-regional bodies
- Broader migration community:
  - civil society, migrants & diaspora organizations
  - academia
  - private sector & unions
  - international financial institutions
  - Regional Consultative Processes on Migration and inter-regional fora.
IOM's Vision

A world in which migrants move by choice, not desperate necessity; rights of migrants protected throughout; migration well-governed to be a positive force for all.

Three major objectives:

1. **Facilitating** safe, orderly & regular migration – the migration we wish to have;

2. **Reducing** incidence & impact of forced & irregular migration – the migration we do not wish to have; and

3. **Responding** to the mobility impacts of natural and human-made disasters – the migration that occurs whether we want it or not.
IOM’S VISION

Place migrants – their rights, needs & capacities – at the heart of our efforts;
Address relationship of migration to development, humanitarian, climate change & peace & security agendas;
Truly comprehensive approach.

The Migration Governance Framework (MiGOF) outlines a comprehensive approach to well-managed migration, it would:

1. Adhere to international standards & fulfil migrants’ rights
2. Be evidence-based & “whole-of-government”
3. Foster strong partnerships
INCLUSIVE CONSULTATIONS

IOM proposes:

• Open, inclusive regional & thematic consultations -- 2017

• Draw on global & regional fora, incl. GFMD, RCPs, RECs, IOM’s International Dialogue on Migration, etc.

• Views, expertise, perspectives & good practices of all relevant partners
POSSIBLE CLUSTERING OF ISSUES

1. **Protect migrants’ rights** – especially migrants in situations of vulnerability, exploitation or abuse

2. **Facilitate labour migration/mobility** -- all skills levels, incl. for education & family reunification

3. **Reduce incidence & impact of irregular migration** – incl. trafficking & smuggling of migrants; facilitate return & reintegration

4. **Contribute to socio-economic development**

5. **Integration & social inclusion**, incl. countering xenophobia

6. **Address migration crises** -- conflict, natural disasters & climate change

7. **Foster governance & cooperation** -- local, national, regional & global
• **Draw on existing norms** – protection of rights & governance of migration.

• **GCM: actionable and practical.**
  • ensure safety, dignity & human rights of all migrants;
  • govern migration effectively & humanely; and
  • realize development potential of migrants for home and host societies.

• Success depends on working together.