

## Second Quarterly Network Consultation

9 June 2021, 15h – 17h (CET)

### Agenda

This second quarterly Network consultation will provide an overview of the new Network workplan for 2021 – 2022 (attached), take stock of progress to date, discuss possible adjustments, and solicit interest from Network entities to contribute to this work.

As a key objective, the new Network workplan looks ahead to the GCM's International Migration Review Forum in the first half of 2022. In this regard, emphasis is on the need, in the run-up to the IMRF, to highlight the impact of the GCM – both its objectives and guiding principles – at both country and regional levels.

The new workplan combines a number of priority issues, both ongoing – such as alternatives to immigration detention; addressing migrants in vulnerable situations; bilateral labour migration agreements; and returns and reintegration – and new including as related to the pandemic response and recovery; climate change and migration; migrant smuggling; remittances; and the GCM and SDGs with respect to reducing inequalities. The workplan also considers how to address issues such as gender and discrimination in migration.

In preparation for the consultation, we would like to offer the following questions for our discussion:

- Are there activities for which Network entities would like to be involved? Are there additional areas of work that could still be considered?
- How can such activities have an impact on GCM implementation at country level?
- How best can we use the forthcoming Secretary-General's report to help ensure the IMRF focuses on key priorities within the GCM framework?
- What would a successful IMRF look like?

This second quarterly consultation of the Network will be based on the agenda below:

#### 15h – 15.10h

Welcome Remarks and update by Jonathan Prentice, Head of the

Network Secretariat on:

- GCM Regional Reviews
- Country/regional Networks
- Engagement with Stakeholders
- Preparations and consultations for the Secretary-General's Report leading up to the IMRF

- 15.10h - 15.15h** Opening Remarks by Brian Williams, Senior Policy and Programme Advisor, UN Development Coordination Office
- 15.15h – 15.20h** Introduction of Network workplan 2021 – 2022 by Amy Muedin, Network Secretariat
- 15.20h – 15.50h** Updates from the current working groups co-leads
- Migration Network Hub  
*Mr. Frank Laczko, Director, Global Migration Data Analysis Centre, IOM*
  - Stronger UN System for GCM implementation & Supporting GCM National Implementation Plans  
*Ms. Cécile Riallant, Head, Migration and Sustainable Development, IOM*
  - Alternatives to Detention  
*Ms. Silvia Gómez, Global Advocacy Coordinator International Detention Coalition (IDC)*
  - Bilateral Labour Migration Agreements  
*Mr. Paul Tacon, Migration Migration Specialist, ILO*
- 15.50h – 16.20h** Overview from new priority areas of work
- Ensuring inclusion of migrants and the GCM in COVID-19 response and recovery efforts  
*Ms. Kanokporn Kaojaroen, Technical Officer, Health and Migration Programme, WHO*
  - Operationalizing the recommendations from the Network policy brief on “The impact of COVID-19 on family remittances”  
*Mr. Mauro Martini  
Programme Officer of the Financing Facility for Remittances (FFR), IFAD*
  - Support to the implementation of the Paris Agreement under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and GCM Commitments on climate change and migration  
*Ms. Koko Warner, Manager, Impacts, Vulnerability, & Risks UNFCCC Secretariat*
- 16.20h – 16.55h** Open discussion
- 16.55h – 17h** Wrap-up/closing remarks