Sweden’s intervention at the UN Network on Migration Briefing, 2021-03-18

I would like to thank the UN Network on Migration for briefing UN Member States about recent progress in implementation of the Global Compact for Migration. I have two comments/questions to DG Vitorino about his remarks on the forthcoming International Migration Review Forum.

The Global Compact is very comprehensive with its 23 objectives and 360-degree vision. At the same time, different states are at different stages of preparedness and implementation. We all need to prioritize, and in many cases we give higher priority to some objectives rather than others. It is welcome that the UN Network foresees supporting Member States in taking a tailored approach to GCM implementation, follow-up and review based upon the unique context of each Member State.

Based on this context:

1. Does the Network intend to visualize implementation among Member States in terms of their priorities, e.g. through analysing the outcome of the regional review meetings?
2. While preserving Member States ownership of the process, does the Network intend to come up with any guidance and recommendations on which objectives to prioritize in various regions or states in order to maximize the development impact, also in regard of the SDGs?

I believe that improved development outcomes should be the overall goal behind implementing all the 23 GCM objectives, firmly linking them to the 2030 Agenda.

Thank you.