

# ***UN National Migration Working Group in Jordan***

## **Terms of Reference**

---

### ***Background***

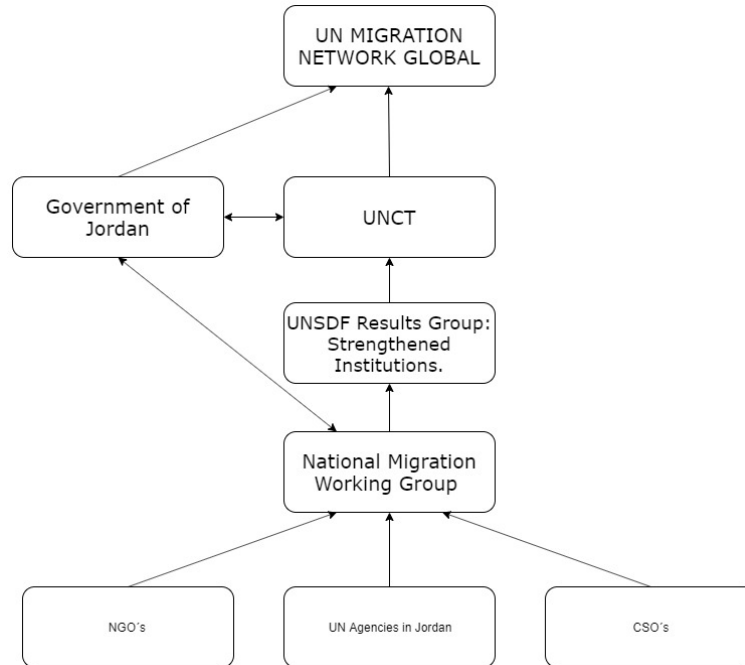
On 10-11 December 2018, recalling the New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants and determined to make an important contribution to enhanced cooperation on international migration, UN Member States adopted the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM), which was endorsed by the UN General Assembly later that month.<sup>1</sup> The Global Compact, resting on international human rights laws standards and the purposes and principles of the Charter of the UN, as well as rooted in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development among others, sets out a range of guiding principles, commitments and understandings among Member States regarding international migration in all its dimensions.

The UN Secretary-General established a Network on Migration at the global level to ensure effective, timely and coordinated system-wide support to Member States. In carrying out its mandate, the Network will prioritize the rights and wellbeing of migrants and their communities of destination, origin, and transit. It will place emphasis on those issues where a common UN system approach would add value and from which results and impact can be readily gauged. In Jordan, the UN established a National Migration Working Group to ensure coordinated UN Country Team-wide support to the Government of Jordan (GoJ) and other relevant national non-governmental stakeholders in implementing the GCM and other relevant policies.

The National Migration Working Group in Jordan will seek to tailor its support to the Government of Jordan towards contributing to the achievement of the SDGs, the UNSDF vision in light of the decision of Jordan at the UN General Assembly in December 2018 to vote in favour of the GCM.

---

<sup>1</sup> UN General Assembly, 73rd Session, [Resolution adopted by the General Assembly 73/195: Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration](#), UN doc. A/RES/73/195 (11 January 2019).



## ***National Working Group***

The National Working Group (NWG) will be established in September 2019, and work to coordinate UN agencies, NGO's and CSO's, and a range of other interested stakeholders such as the private sector, and employers' and workers' organizations, in supporting the GoJ in implementing effectively the GCM in Jordan.

### **Objectives:**

1. Identify priority areas for joint programming (delivering as one), including joint research, advocacy, programmes, etc., to support implementation of the GCM and advance migration/mobility-related initiatives/discourses;
2. Ensure operational coordination and synergies on key issues, such as, *inter alia*, migration and development, labour migration, counter-trafficking in human beings, social cohesion, addressing root causes of displacement, mixed migration, diaspora & remittances, health of migrants, protection, legislation on migration, etc.;
3. Periodically share updates about programme delivery and identify impediments for the UNCT to address with the GoJ;

4. Provide technical support to the UNCT by developing policy briefs, policy papers, action plans, etc.;
5. Invite the Jordanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) and other relevant Ministries, such as the Ministry of Labour (MoL), Ministry of Interior (MoI), Ministry of Social Development (MoSD) and Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation (MoPIC), to attend biannual meetings as well as ad-hoc meetings when needed.
6. Mobilize funds and resources to enable joint programming between the members of the group.

**(Co)Chair(s):** IOM and ILO (proposed) with the possibility of other UN agencies (co)chairing in future and selected based on consensus. Biannual meetings with GoJ, co-chaired by MoFA and UNRC.

**Members:** UN Agencies to start with. GoJ represented at biannual meetings. Other stakeholders (NGO, CSO, private sector, academia, etc.) will be added/invited at a later stage.

**Participation Level:** Program Managers and Specialists (operational and technical).

**Meeting Frequency:** Every two months. Biannual meetings with GoJ (MoFA) and other relevant government agencies (MoL, MoI, MOPIC).