

# First Regional Review of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration in the UNECE region

12 and 13 November 2020

Thursday, 12 November 2020, 10:00 – 15:20 Virtual Meeting (240 mins)	
<b>Opening session (30 mins)</b>	
10:00 – 10:30	<p><b>Moderator</b> Ms. Renate Held, Regional Director of the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Regional Office Vienna for the SEECA region</p> <p><b>Panel</b> Mr. António Vitorino, Coordinator of the UN Network on Migration and Director General of the International Organization for Migration (IOM)</p> <p>Mr. Evarist Bartolo, Minister for Foreign and European Affairs, Republic of Malta</p> <p>Mr. Yavuz Selim Kiran, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Turkey</p> <p>Mr. Niels Annen, Minister of State, Federal Foreign Office, Federal Republic of Germany</p> <p>Ms. Michele LeVoy, Rapporteur Multi-stakeholder Consultations on the Regional Review for Europe and North America.</p>
<p><b>Roundtable 1 (100 mins)</b> (addressing GCM objective 14, 15, 16, 19, 20 and 22)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>14. Enhance consular protection, assistance and cooperation throughout the migration cycle</li> <li>15. Provide access to basic services for migrants</li> <li>16. Empower migrants and societies to realize full inclusion and social cohesion</li> <li>19. Create conditions for migrants and diasporas to fully contribute to sustainable development in all countries</li> <li>20. Promote faster, safer &amp; cheaper transfer of remittances &amp; foster financial inclusion of migrants</li> <li>22. Establish mechanisms for the portability of social security entitlements and earned benefits</li> </ul>	
10:30 - 12:10	<p><b>Moderator</b> Ms. Laurel Townhead, Representative for Human Rights and Refugees, Quaker United Nations Office</p> <p><b>Panel discussion</b> Mr. George Balan, State Secretary of Migration, Republic of Moldova</p> <p>Mr. Frederic Vallier, Secretary General, Council of European Municipalities and Regions</p> <p>Ms. Christine Knudsen, Director, External Relations Strategic Planning, Knowledge and Innovation, UN-Habitat</p> <p><b>Interactive discussion from the floor (80 mins)</b></p>
12:10 – 13:30	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<p><b>Roundtable 2 (100 mins)</b> (addressing GCM objectives 2, 5, 6, 12, 18)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Minimize the adverse drivers and structural factors that compel people to leave their country of origin</li> <li>5. Enhance availability and flexibility of pathways for regular migration</li> <li>6. Facilitate fair and ethical recruitment and safeguard conditions that ensure decent work</li> <li>12. Strengthen certainty and predictability in migration procedures for appropriate screening, assessment and referral</li> <li>18. Invest in skills development and facilitate mutual recognition of skills, qualifications and competences</li> </ul>	
13:30 – 15:10	<p><b>Moderator</b> Mr. Andrew Geddes, Director Migration Policy Centre, European University Institute</p> <p><b>Panel discussion</b> Mr. Birzhan Nurymbetov, Minister of Labour, Republic of Kazakhstan</p> <p>Ms. Renate Hornung-Draus, Managing Director of the Confederation of German Employers Associations (BDA), IOE Vice-President for Europe and Central Asia</p> <p>Ms. Lieve Verboven, Director of the International Labour Organization (ILO) Office for the EU and Benelux countries</p> <p><b>Interactive discussion from the floor (80 mins)</b></p>
<b>Summary of Day 1 (10 mins)</b>	
15:10-15:20	Mr. David Donoghue, UN System Staff College Representative and former Irish Ambassador to UN

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	<b>Recap of Day 1</b> (10 mins)
10:00 – 10:10	Mr. David Donoghue, UN System Staff College Representative and former Irish Ambassador to UN
	<b>Roundtable 3</b> (100 mins) (addressing GCM objectives 4, 8, 9,10, 11, 13, 21) 4. Ensure that all migrants have proof of legal identity and adequate documentation 8. Save lives and establish coordinated international efforts on missing migrants 9. Strengthen the transnational response to smuggling of migrants 10. Prevent, combat and eradicate trafficking in persons in the context of international migration 11. Manage borders in an integrated, secure and coordinated manner 13. Use migration detention only as a measure of last resort and work towards alternatives 21. Cooperate in facilitating safe and dignified return and readmission, as well as sustainable reintegration
10:10 – 11:50	<b>Moderator</b> Ms. Ashita Mittal, Regional Representative for Central Asia, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)  <b>Panel discussion</b> Mr. Julian Hodaj, Deputy Minister of Interior, Republic of Albania  Mr. Felipe González Morales, Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants  Ms. Afshan Khan, Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia, United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)  <b>Interactive discussion from the floor (80 mins)</b>
11:50-13:30	<b>Lunch Break</b>
	<b>Roundtable 4</b> (100 mins) (GCM objectives 1, 3, 7, 17 and 23) 1. Collect and utilize accurate and disaggregated data as a basis for evidence-based policies 3. Provide accurate and timely information at all stages of migration 7. Address and reduce vulnerabilities in migration 17. Eliminate all forms of discrimination and promote evidence-based public discourse to shape perceptions of migration 23. Strengthen international cooperation & global partnerships for safe, orderly & regular migration
13:30 – 15:10	<b>Moderator</b> Mr. Paul Whittingham, Head of the Conflict, Security and Migration Department, Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office  <b>Panel discussion</b> Ms. Britta Behrendt, Director for General Issues of Migration and Refugee Policy and EU Freedom of Movement, German Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community and Ms. Honey Deihimi, Director for Social Integration, Federal Chancellery  Mr. Tim Dixon, Co-Founder, More in Common  Ms. Debbie Kohner, Secretary General, European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI)  Ms. Birgit Van Hout, Regional Representative for Europe, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)  <b>Interactive discussion from the floor (80 mins)</b>
	<b>Closing</b> (20 mins)
15:10 – 15:40	<b>Moderator</b> Mr. Jonathan Prentice, Head of UN Network on Migration Secretariat  <b>Panel</b> Mr. Marco Mendicino, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, Canada  Ms. Berta Nunes, Secretary of State of Portuguese Communities, Portugal  Mr. Stéphane Jaquemet, Director of Policy, International Catholic Migration Committee (ICMC)  Ms. Camilla Loli, Europe Focal Point, UN Major Group on Children and Youth (UN MGCY)