



Regional Review Conference of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration in the Arab Region

*Wednesday, 24 and Thursday, 25 February 2021
10:00am to 4:00pm Cairo/Beirut/Amman time*

Logistics Note

The International Organization for Migration (IOM), the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) and the League of Arab States (LAS), in collaboration with the members of the Regional United Nations Network on Migration in the Arab Region, with the support of the Secretariat of the United Nations Network on Migration are coordinating the GCM regional review process in the Arab region.

The intergovernmental Regional Review Conference will be held virtually from Wednesday, 24 to Thursday, 25 February 2021 from 10:00am to 4:00pm Cairo/Beirut/Amman time. The virtual, video conferencing platform will offer simultaneous interpretation in Arabic, English and French.

I. Registration

Participating Member States and other stakeholders of the Arab region are invited to register by **Friday, 5 February 2021** through the below link or QR code.

Please find the link to the **REGISTRATION** form **HERE**
or register by scanning following this QR code:



A separate email closer to date will be shared all registrants with a link to access the virtual platform.

II. Co-Chairs, Moderators and Panellists

Member States are invited to express their interest in providing speakers through the online registration form for the opening session, co-chairing and presenting on their voluntary GCM review report for the Plenary Sessions 1 and 2. They are equally invited to serve as panellists or to provide floor interventions for each of the four thematic roundtables as well as the Plenary sessions 4 on Cross-cutting issues and 5 on Means of Implementation and Capacity Building, by **Friday, 5 February 2021**.

Other relevant stakeholders are also invited to express their interest in providing speakers through the online registration form to moderate, to be a panellist or to provide floor interventions in Plenary Sessions 4 and 5 and for each of the four thematic roundtables by **Friday, 5 February 2021**.

The Plenary Sessions 1 and 2 on voluntary GCM review reporting by Member States will provide Member States with the opportunity to reflect on the progress made since the adoption of the GCM in 2018. Member States are invited to present on their national experiences, highlighting the challenges faced, success stories, existing and emerging priorities, and lessons learned. Member States that have opted to prepare a voluntary GCM review report are encouraged to present the key findings from their review and will be granted the floor for up to **5 minutes**. Member States are also welcomed to consider submitting a recorded intervention in case of any internet connection concerns as a back-up prior to the Conference.

It is also kindly requested that the presentations and statements will be submitted by **Monday, 22 February 2021** by all the speakers to GCM Regional Review Arab States (gcmrrarabstates@iom.int). They can be posted on the Arab States landing page of the UN Network on Migration's website following the conference upon request and approval by speakers.

The Plenary Session 4 covers cross-cutting issues in line with the GCM Guiding Principles and Plenary 5 is on means of implementation and capacity building to accelerate the implementation of the GCM and strengthen the capacity of all stakeholders.

The four thematic roundtables will offer a more focused discussion on the 23 GCM objectives and will be organized along the proposed four roundtables of the International Migration Review Forum.¹ Each roundtable will have three panellists, including one representative from Member States and two other panellists from other stakeholder categories. Each panellist will have the floor for up to **5 minutes**. A short background paper with guiding questions to guide the roundtables discussions are available on the Arab States landing page of the UN Network on Migration's website (<https://migrationnetwork.un.org/country-regional-network/arab-states>).

If you would like to express interest in providing a speaker for the plenary sessions and/or panellists for one of the four roundtables, please indicate your preferred session and preferred role (*see agenda*) through the online registration form. Due to limited time and space, an expression of interest will not guarantee a spot to speak. The selected co-chairs/moderators/panellists and speakers will be contacted separately.

¹ Format and organizational aspects of the international migration review forums [A/RES/73/326 5](#)

III. Interventions from the floor

Following the panel discussion in the Plenary Sessions 4 and 5, and in the four thematic roundtables (*see agenda*), participants will be given the floor for interventions to ensure an interactive exchange. Participants are encouraged to inform in advance if they wish to take the floor through the registration form. Given the limited time available and to allow more participants to speak, interventions are limited to **3 minutes each**.

For any queries, please contact GCM Regional Review Arab States (gcmrrarabstates@iom.int). The expression of interests to speak can be submitted only through the online registration form before the **Friday, 5 February 2021** deadline, and not accepted by email.

IV. Technical Training sessions

Technical training sessions on the use of the virtual platform will be provided to **all participants** twice per day to ensure participants from the different time zones have access to this service, prior to the start of the Conference and during the break (*see agenda*). The link for this technical training session will be the same as to access the virtual platform.

Dedicated technical training sessions on the use of the virtual platform's options to the **selected co-chairs, moderators, panellists and speakers** will be provided on Wednesday, 17 and Thursday, 18 February 2021. The link for this familiarization session will be sent to all the selected speakers, panellists and moderators.

Further questions in this regard should be directed to GCM Regional Review Arab States (gcmrrarabstates@iom.int).

V. Interpretation

The virtual video conferencing platform will offer simultaneous interpretation in Arabic, English and French.