





26 October 2020

Dear Sir/Madam,

We have the honour to refer to the Regional Review of Implementation of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration in Latin American and Caribbean, and to invite you to participate in this voluntary, State-led exercise.<sup>1</sup>

The Latin America and Caribbean Regional Review provides a first opportunity for a Stateled discussion on the implementation of the Global Compact which:

- Will enable governments, processes, platforms and relevant regional organizations and other relevant actors such as non-governmental organizations, diasporas and migrants to undertake a first assessment of progress made in implementing the Global Compact.
- Will serve as a forum in which challenges and opportunities will be highlighted, gaps
  identified, regional priorities discussed and the requirements for implementing the Global
  Compact determined.
- Will provide a common platform for interaction among all relevant stakeholders, the exchange
  of lessons learned and best practices, and promoting peer learning within the region, building
  on other coordination processes in the region that might enrich the review of the Global
  Compact.
- Will facilitate the formulation of key findings and regional recommendations to inform the International Migration Review Forum, to be held in 2022.
- Will consider the impact of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic on the implementation of the Global Compact.

Considering that most international migration takes place within regions, paragraph 50 of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration<sup>2</sup> invites relevant subregional, regional and cross-regional processes, platforms and organizations "to review the implementation of the Global Compact within the respective regions, beginning in 2020", with the participation of all relevant stakeholders.

We would like to take this opportunity to share with you an online questionnaire<sup>3</sup> to facilitate the collection of information. Alternatively, you may fill out the questionnaire in Word format.

Your inputs will contribute to the deliberations at the Regional Review meeting and will be posted on the United Nations Network on Migration website: <a href="https://migrationnetwork.un.org/">https://migrationnetwork.un.org/</a>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please see the concept note attached herewith.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 19 December2018 (A/RES/73/195), para. 50.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The questionnaire can be downloaded at: <a href="https://iom.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_aXH30seDxj9yVlr">https://iom.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_aXH30seDxj9yVlr</a>.

We thank you for your participation and would be grateful if you could complete the questionnaire by 20 November 2020.

Please send completed Word format questionnaires to Mr. Paulo Saad, Chief of the Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Centre (CELADE)-Population Division of ECLAC (paulo.saad@cepal.org), Mr. Rudi Maxwald, Senior Regional Liaison and Policy Officer at the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Regional Office for Central America, North America and the Caribbean (rmaxwald@iom.int), and Mr. Ezequiel Texidó, Regional Liaison and Policy Officer at the IOM Regional Office for South America (etexido@iom.int).

Please also note that details of the registration process for participation in the Regional Review of Implementation of the Global Compact meeting, to be held in March 2021, will be shared in a separate communication.

Please accept the renewed assurances of our highest consideration.

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