African regional review of implementation of the
Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

Rabat, 31 August and 1 September 2021 (in hybrid format)

Preliminary Programme of work

Tuesday, 31 August 2021

Session 1: Opening of the meeting (9:30–10:00 a.m.)
Chair: Government of Morocco
Technical heads of the following institutions
- Economic Commission for Africa - ECA
- UN Migration - IOM
- African Union Commission - AUC
- United Nations Migration Network
- Government of Morocco

Session 2: Thematic round table 1: Ensuring that migration is voluntary, orderly and regular
(10:00–11:30 a.m.)
Addressing Global Compact objectives 2, 5, 6, 12 and 18
- Chair: OHCHR (Co-lead of the thematic area)
- Rapporteur: ILO (Co-lead of the thematic area)
- Keynote speakers: Representatives of 2 member States, 1 United Nations agency and 1 civil society organization or other stakeholder (max. 10 minutes each); open discussion (50 minutes)
BREAK (11:30–11:45 am)

**Session 3: Thematic round table 2: Protecting migrants through rights-based border governance measures (11:45 a.m.–01:15 p.m.)**

Addressing Global Compact objectives 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13 and 21

- Chair: Siobhán Mullally, Special rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children
- Rapporteur: UNICEF (Co-lead of the thematic area)
- Keynote speakers: Representatives of 2 member States, 1 United Nations agency and 1 civil society organization or other stakeholder (max. 10 minutes each); open discussion (50 minutes)

BREAK (1:15–02:00 p.m)

**Session 4: Thematic round table 3: Supporting the integration of migrants and their contribution to development (02:00–3:30 p.m.)**

Addressing Global Compact objectives 14, 15, 16, 19, 20 and 22

- Chair: *(From the agencies co-leading the thematic area: WHO, ILO and IOM)*
- Rapporteur: *(From the agencies co-leading the thematic area)*
- Keynote speakers: Representatives of 2 member States, 1 United Nations agency and 1 civil society organization or other stakeholder (max. 10 minutes each); open discussion (50 minutes)

BREAK (03:30–03:45 p.m)

**Session 5: Thematic round table 4: Improving value-driven and evidence-based policymaking and public debate and enhancing cooperation on migration (3:45–5:15 p.m.)**

Addressing Global Compact objectives 1, 3, 7, 17, and 23

- Chair: Leila Ben Ali, Director (ad interim), African Migration Observatory
- Rapporteur: (From Co-leads of the Thematic area)
- Keynote speakers: Representatives of 2 member States, 1 United Nations agency, 1 civil society organization or other stakeholder (max. 10 minutes each); open discussion (50 minutes)

**Wednesday, 1 September 2021**

**Session 1: Official Opening ceremony (9:30–10:00 a.m.)**

Chair: Nasser Bourita, Minister for Foreign Affairs, African Cooperation and Moroccans Residing Abroad, Government of Morocco

Welcome remarks by the Chair

Opening remarks by:
• Stakeholder representative *(Rapporteur from the Stakeholders’ consultation)*
• Vera Songwe, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Africa
• Antonio Vitorino, Director General, International Organization for Migration, and Coordinator, United Nations Network on Migration
• Amira El Fadil, Commissioner for Social Affairs, African Union Commission
• Senior minister from a national government

**Session 2:** Review of progress and challenges in implementing the Global Compact in Africa (10:00−11:30 a.m.)
Chair: Minister from a participating member State
Rapporteur: Statements by member States and stakeholders

BREAK (11:30–11:45 a.m.)

**Session 2 (contd.):** Review of progress and challenges in implementing the Global Compact in Africa (11:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m.)
Chair: Minister from a participating member State
Rapporteur: Statements by member States and stakeholders

LUNCH BREAK (1:15-2:00 p.m.)

**Session 3:** Key findings of the multi-stakeholder consultations (2:00–2:40 p.m.)
Chair: Stakeholder representative
Rapporteur: Stakeholder representative

SHORT BREAK (5 MINUTES) 2:40-2:45 pm

**Session 4:** Key findings from sub-regional reports (2:45–3:25 p.m.)
Session facilitated by AUC.
*The Chair and Rapporteur for this session from RECs*

SHORT BREAK (5 MINUTES) 3:25-3:30 pm

**Session 5:** Key findings from the continental report (3:30–4:15 p.m.)
Session facilitated by ECA.

BREAK (04:15–04:30 p.m)

Session 6: Summary of discussions (4:30–5:15 p.m.)
Chair: ECA
Rapporteur:
Presentation of summaries from each round table by its rapporteur (max. 5 minutes each); open discussion (25 minutes)

Session 7: Closing of the meeting (5:15–5:30 p.m.)
Chair: Government of Morocco
Closing remarks (5 minutes each)
- African Union Commission
- International Organization for Migration
- Economic Commission for Africa
Final remarks by the Chair (5 minutes)