

Second Regional Review of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly, and Regular Migration in the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Region

Information note for Members and Observers of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Region

Venue, format and timing

The Regional Review Meeting will be held on 11 March 2024, back to-back with the Regional Forum on Sustainable Development for the UNECE Region, at the Palais des Nations in Geneva and will consist of a Multi-stakeholder Hearing and an Intergovernmental Conference. The Regional Review Meeting will be a fully in-person event. It will, however, be webcasted on the UN Web TV for remote viewing at: <http://webtv.un.org>.

The Intergovernmental Conference will take place in **conference room XIX**, starting at 10:00 to 13:00, and resuming at 15:00 to 18:00 CET. It will consist of an opening segment, followed by four thematic sessions, and a closing segment. It will convene representatives of the UNECE Member States and Observers; intergovernmental organizations; United Nations bodies, specialized agencies, and funds; and all relevant stakeholders from the UNECE region, including migrants, civil society, migrant and diaspora organizations, faith-based organizations, local authorities, and communities, the private sector, trade unions, parliamentarians, national human rights institutions, the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, academia, and the media.

The Multi-stakeholder Hearing¹ will take place in **conference room XXIV**, from 08:30 to 10:00 CET, ahead of the Intergovernmental Conference of the GCM Regional Review. UNECE Member States and Observers are encouraged to attend the Multi-stakeholder Hearing. The Intergovernmental Conference will be open to all relevant stakeholders for attendance.

The Coordinator of the United Nations Network on Migration (Network) will host a High-level event on regular pathways on 11 March 2024, in **conference room XXIV**, from 13:30 to 14:45 CET. More information on its content and format will be posted on the [Network's website](#) in due course.

Registration

UNECE Member States and Observers, and stakeholders are requested to **register for the Multi-stakeholder Hearing and Intergovernmental meeting** via the UNOG Indico system, using the following link: <https://indico.un.org/event/1007071/registrations/> by **4 March 2024**. All participants, including

¹ Please find the latest draft Concept Note and Agenda at the following link:
<https://migrationnetwork.un.org/europe-and-north-america-2024>

those holding a UNOG Badge, must register on Indico. Registration is essential not to miss important information, including preparation of the list of participants.

To consolidate official registrations, UNECE Member States and Observers are required to send a **note verbale** containing the exact names and titles of all members of the delegation, listed in order of precedence, to: GCMReviewsUNECE@iom.int, **by 4 March 2024**.

Badges and access to the Palais des Nations

Entry to the Palais des Nations is facilitated through a digital badging system. Participants will receive a digital badge along with their approved registration through email, consisting of their photo, a QR code and the name and date of the meeting. Digital badges may be downloaded to any mobile device or printed.

Participants will be allowed entry to the Palais upon presentation of their digital badge together with a valid passport or a national identity card. All participants without a UNOG badge are advised to enter the Palais grounds through the Peace Gate.²

Interpretation

Interpretation will be provided in all three UNECE official languages (English, French and Russian) in the Intergovernmental meeting. The Multi-stakeholder Hearing and the High-level panel will be in English only.

To facilitate the work of the interpreters, all delegations are requested to send copies of their statements well in advance of each session to: GCMReviewsUNECE@iom.int. The Secretariat will post all the statements on the Network website.

Speaking arrangements and interventions

Discussions during the Multi-stakeholder Hearing and four thematic sessions of the Intergovernmental meeting, and High-level event are intended to be interactive in nature. Time limits for interventions will be **three minutes**. The speaking time may be reduced according to the number of speakers and calculation of time available. Interventions will alternate between Member States and Observers and stakeholders.

For planning purposes, delegations are invited to indicate their interest to intervene in the multi-stakeholder hearing, interactive discussion of each of the four thematic sessions, and high-level event to GCMReviewsUNECE@iom.int, until **Thursday, 7 March**. Please indicate “*speakers list*” and the country and organization name in the subject line, and provide the exact name, title and rank of the

² There might be a long queue at the gate due to other meetings starting on the same day, especially on Monday mornings. After entering the Palais des Nations grounds, you may need 10-15 minutes to walk to the meeting room (see the map [here](#)). Gates to enter the Palais des Nations will open at 7:00.



speaker, and name of the thematic session. The Secretariat will compile an indicative list of speakers observing protocol and registration date.

During the meeting, delegations that have not registered and wish to take the floor will be invited to inform the secretariat desk in the conference room.

To support Member States and Observers in preparing for the meeting and considering the limited duration of – and therefore limited speaking slots – during the GCM Regional Review meeting, the UN Network on Migration is proposing five guiding questions outlined in Annex I of the Concept note and Agenda (available [here](#)) to collect inputs from all Member States and Observers, and stakeholders on the implementation of the GCM.

Member States and Observers are invited to submit written inputs preferably by 4 March and no later than 25 March 2024, to GCMReviewsUNECE@iom.int, after which it will be uploaded on the UN Network's website.