

Event Title: Presentation of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

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Main organizer/s: IOM, UNHCR

Description (max 3000 characters): Tirana, 30 May 2017: IOM, the UN Migration Agency, and UNHCR, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, in Albania presented today the New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants adopted by all 193 member states of the United Nations in September 2016. Both organizations also presented progress done towards the two Global Compacts foreseen by the Declaration: the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM) and the Global Compact on Refugees, respectively.

The GCM is an agreement aimed to improve coordination and cooperation on international migration, to address all aspects of migration.

During the presentation, representatives from the Ministries of Internal Affairs, of Foreign Affairs and of Social Welfare and Youth, Albania's lead institutions in charge of migration management, highlighted the importance of migration governance in the complexity of the current migration situation in Albania.

The development of the new Migration Governance Policy in Albania will encompass emigration, immigration, transit, return and reintegration, as well as migration and development, in line with the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development, the Sustainable Development Goals and the National Strategy for Development and Integration. It will improve the Policy Framework for Migration Governance in line with the European and international standards and strengthen management and coordination to ensure better response to migration challenges, thus corresponding with the GCM vision.

Peter Van der Auweraert, IOM Sub-Regional Coordinator for the Western Balkans, presented the IOM's vision of global compact that will place the rights, needs, capacities and contributions of migrants at its core, with a view to ensuring their safety, dignity and human rights. He underlined four key elements which are central to this vision such as: Protecting the rights of migrants; Facilitating safe, orderly and regular migration; Reducing the incidence and impacts of forced and irregular migration and addressing mobility consequences of natural and human-induced disasters.

The UNHCR Representative in Albania, Marie-Helene Verney, presented the New York Declaration and UNHCR's work towards the development of a Global Compact on Refugees in 2018 and the responses needed for both refugees and migrants. The New York Declaration lays out a vision for a more predictable and more comprehensive response to the large-scale movements of refugees and migrants, the so-called Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework (CRRF), with specific actions which aim to ease the pressure on countries that host refugees; build self-reliance of refugees; expand access to legal pathways to safe third countries as well as foster conditions that enable refugees to voluntary return to their home countries.

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