

## Workstream “Measuring progress: GCM indicators” GCM TALK on indicators in Africa

### INFORMATION NOTE AND AGENDA 24 July 2023

### 1. Background

The UN Network on Migration workstream on "Development of a proposed limited set of indicators to review progress related to GCM implementation" is organizing a regional technical consultation in Africa, as part of a series of cross-regional and global consultations in line with its workplan.<sup>1</sup> The consultation aims to bring together Member States and relevant stakeholders to discuss and enhance their understanding of the indicators' development process, methodology, and progress of the workstream.

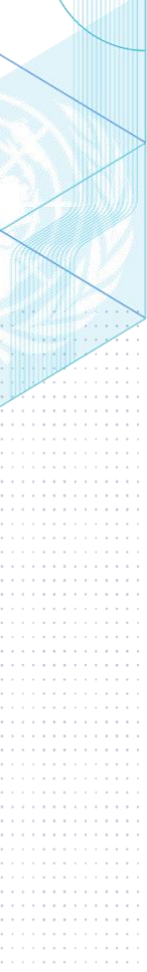
In preparation for the consultation, a discussion note containing a preliminary proposal on a limited set of indicators will be published and shared with participants. This document will serve as a foundation for the consultations and guide the technical discussions to enable meaningful engagement.

The regional consultations aim to:

- a. Inform Member States and stakeholders on the indicators' development process, methodology, and progress of the workstream, ensuring their full involvement and consultation.
- b. Facilitate technical discussions involving statistical and policy experts from interested government agencies and other stakeholders.
- c. Enable participants to provide feedback on the preliminary selected indicators' relevance and measurability and contribute to refining the selection of indicators.
- d. Obtain insights on how regional contexts need to be reflected in the process of selection of indicators for the implementation of the GCM.

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<sup>1</sup> See the timeline and methods of work of the workstream [here](#).



The engagement of Member States and other stakeholders is crucial to ensure that the proposed limited set of indicators for the GCM is "fit for purpose." This means that the indicators should be relevant, measurable, and enable comparisons over time and space.

## Participants

In line with the whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches, participation is open to Member States and relevant stakeholders.

Participation by government representatives working at the technical and policy levels on migration and statistical issues is encouraged.

Participants are invited to engage in the discussion actively, providing feedback on the proposed indicators and methodology, according to the following guiding questions:

- Is the proposed limited set of indicators for the GCM suitable in terms of its relevance, scope, coverage, balance and ability to compare progress over time and across different countries and regions?
- Does the preliminary proposal align well with global frameworks, such as the SDGs, while also reflecting regional migration dynamics?
- Are there any additional specific migration dimensions or sub-regional variations that should be considered in the proposal?

## Format

The event will be held via the Zoom platform and conducted in **English and French**. Participants must register in advance and indicate if they wish to request the floor by **Friday, 21 July**. A confirmation email will be sent to registered participants. Please register [here](#).

## Outcome

A comprehensive report will be prepared, summarizing the key discussions and recommendations made during the GCM Talk. The inputs gathered during the consultation will be used to revise the proposal. Following this, global consultations will take place in autumn 2023 to gather additional feedback to finalize the proposal for a limited set of indicators to review progress related to GCM implementation. The resulting proposal will be submitted to inform the forthcoming biennial report of the Secretary-General in 2024.

## Relevant documents

Participants are invited to consult relevant background documents of the workstream, available on the Network's website: [1. Development of a proposed limited set of indicators to review progress related to GCM implementation | United Nations Network on Migration](#)

## 2. Tentative Agenda

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Technical discussion  
24 July 2023

Time: 14:00 – 16:30 CET  
[Zoom Platform](#)

#### I. Introduction

**Moderator:** Mr. William Muhwava, Chief of Demography and Social Statistics, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa

5 min	<p><b>Welcoming Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Azrah Karim Rajput, Senior Regional Policy Officer, United Nations Network on Migration secretariat</li> </ul>
15 min	<p><b>Overview of Indicators' Development Process and Methodology by the Co-Leads of the Workstream</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Irene Schöfberger, Data and Research Officer, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre (GMDAC)</li> <li>Ms. Clare Menozzi, Population Affairs Officer, Population Division, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA)</li> </ul>
15 min	<p><b>A Regional Perspective: Challenges and Opportunities of Developing a Limited Set of Indicators for the GCM</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Keynote Speaker:</b> Mr. Diego Iturralde, Chief Director for Demography and Population Statistics at Statistics South Africa</li> </ul>

#### II. Presentation of the preliminary indicators and interactive discussions

**Moderator:** Ms. Paddy Siyanga Knudsen, Vice President, Global Research Forum on Diaspora & Transnationalism (GRFDT)

2 hours	<p>Panel I will consider the potential indicators for objectives <b>2, 5, 6, 12</b> and <b>18</b> of the GCM, followed by an interactive discussion.</p> <p>Panel II will consider the potential indicators for objectives <b>4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13</b> and <b>21</b> of the GCM, followed by an interactive discussion.</p> <p>Panel III will consider the potential indicators for objectives <b>14, 15, 16, 19, 20</b> and <b>22</b> of the GCM, followed by an interactive discussion.</p> <p>Panel IV will consider the potential indicators for objectives <b>1, 3, 7, 17</b> and <b>23</b> of the GCM, followed by an interactive discussion.</p>
5 min	<p><b>Closing and key takeaways</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Bela Hovy, Chief of Migration, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA)</li> </ul>