Workstream 1

Measuring progress: GCM indicators

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GCM Talk on indicators in the Arab Region

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Online
Paragraph 70 of the International Migration Review Forum Progress Declaration

Member States ‘request the Secretary-General, in his next biennial report, to propose, for the consideration of Member States, a limited set of indicators, drawing on the global indicator framework for the Sustainable Development Goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda as contained in General Assembly resolution 71/313 of 6 July 2017 and other relevant frameworks, to assist Member States, upon their request, in conducting inclusive reviews of progress related to the implementation of the Global Compact, as well as to include a comprehensive strategy for improving disaggregated migration data at the local, national, regional and global levels.’
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Deliverables

2023

1. Conduct a **mapping** of relevant approaches to measuring the governance of migration in general and with a specific focus on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

2. Develop a **discussion note with a proposal** for a limited set of indicators, building on existing indicators and data collection processes, including SDG indicators and the work of the UN Expert Group on Migration Statistics

3. Conduct **consultations** with Member States and a wide range of relevant stakeholders on the limited set of indicators

2024

1. Develop a **comprehensive strategy** for improving disaggregated migration data

2. Conduct a **technical consultation** on the draft comprehensive strategy for improving disaggregated migration data
Overview of the process for identifying the preliminary proposal of the limited set of indicators

- **STEP 1**: Canvassing questionnaire
- **STEP 2**: Mapping 1: Indicator frameworks
- **STEP 3**: Mapping 2: Indicators based on Mapping 1
- **STEP 4**: Proposal for a limited set of indicators
Progress on deliverable 1: Canvassing questionnaire

- 99 total responses of which 33 by Government entities from all regions
- Respondents agreed that the limited set of indicators should:
  - Be used to monitor progress over time (94%)
  - Incorporate the Guiding principles of the GCM (91%)
  - Be used to inform evidence-based policy making (90%)
  - Have an agreed methodology (89%)
  - Highlight gaps in the implementation of the GCM (88%)
Progress on deliverable 1: Mapping 1: Indicator Frameworks

- 31 indicator frameworks considered
- Of these, 16 were developed by academic or research institutions, 3 by civil society and the remaining 12 by international organizations or processes facilitated by international organizations
- Compared based on 5 criteria
Mapping 1 – Comparison criteria

- Endorsement by an intergovernmental body
- Relevance for countries belonging to different regions and income levels
- Availability of a time series
- Timeliness
- Number of GCM guiding principles covered
Mapping 1 results: Frameworks included in Mapping 2

Two frameworks meeting all five criteria:
- SDG Indicator Framework
- UN Expert Group on Migration Statistics (EGMIS) Indicators

Five indicator frameworks meeting four criteria:
- Commitment to development Index: Migration
- Every Immigrant Is an Emigrant: How Migration Policies Shape the Paths to Integration (IMISEM)
- Global Compact on Refugees Indicator Framework
- International Data Alliance for Children on the Move (IDAC) Guidelines on Indicators for Children on the Move
- Migration Governance Indicators (MGI)
Progress on deliverable 1: Mapping 2: Indicators

- Nearly 400 indicator from indicator frameworks selected from Mapping 1 reviewed
- Compared based on 9 criteria
- Members of the workstream were able to propose a limited number new to those selected from Mapping 1
- The report is nearly finalized.
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Mapping 2: Indicators – Comparison criteria

- Endorsement by an intergovernmental body
- Coverage of more than one objective of the GCM
- Coverage of more than one principle of the GCM
- Having an agreed methodology
- Being included in more than one indicator framework
- Data availability by country
- Data availability by region
- Availability of a time series
- Timeliness
Progress on deliverable 2:
Preliminary proposal of a limited set of indicators

- 20 core indicators chosen for their relevance to GCM objectives and for fulfilling many criteria in Mapping 2
- 41 additional indicators
- Extensive consultations with members of the workstream to develop the proposal
Core and additional indicators in the preliminary proposal

Core indicators:
- 1 or 2 per GCM objective
- 10 are SDG, 8 MGI and 2 EGMIS & IDAC

Additional indicators:
- 1 to 15 per GCM objective
- Many are multipurpose
- Only 1 does not have an agreed methodology
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Number of core and additional indicators by GCM objective and guiding principle
Progress on deliverable 3: Consultations with Member States and stakeholders

- 5 regional consultations (Africa, Arab region, Asia and Pacific, Europe and North America, Latin America and the Caribbean)
- 3 global consultations for Member States and/or stakeholders (late 2023)
Next steps

August

• 1 survey for Member States and stakeholders to gather their views on the preliminary proposal

September/November

• Revised proposal of the limited set of indicators (2nd)
• 3 global consultations for Member States and stakeholders in New York, Geneva and online
• Revised proposal of the limited set of indicators (3rd)

Late 2023

• Final revision of the proposal of the limited set of indicators (4th and final)
• Proposal submitted for consideration of the Executive Committee of the UN Migration Network
Presentation of the preliminary indicators and interactive discussions
Guiding questions

1. 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?

2. Does the preliminary proposal align well with global frameworks, such as the SDGs, while also reflecting regional migration dynamics?

3. Are there any additional specific migration dimensions or sub-regional variations that should be considered in the proposal?
Panel 1

- Minimize adverse drivers
- Regular pathways
- Recruitment and decent work
- Screening and referral
- Skills development and recognition
## Core indicators

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<td>Recruitment cost borne by employee as a proportion of monthly income earned in country of destination</td>
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- 4 Legal Identity and Documentation
- 8 Save Lives
- 9 Counter Smuggling
- 10 Eradicate Trafficking
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- 13 Alternatives to Detention
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<td>Whether or not the Government has formal strategies to address trafficking in persons and migrant smuggling</td>
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3. INFORMATION PROVISION
7. REDUCE VULNERABILITIES
17. ELIMINATE DISCRIMINATION
23. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
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