



Accelerating GCM implementation at the regional and national levels

Side-Event at the International Migration Review Forum

Thursday May 19, 2022, 8-9am (EDT/New York), Virtual

Background

In 2022, nearly four years after the adoption of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM), governments, stakeholders and the United Nations (UN) system will meet to discuss the successes and challenges of implementing this landmark cooperative framework. The first International Migration Review Forum (IMRF) is being held under the auspices of the General Assembly, chaired by the President of the General Assembly, at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 17-20 May 2022, with a preparatory stakeholder hearing taking place on 16 May.

A series of IMRF side-events will be organized in the margins of the IMRF. They will provide an opportunity to discuss good practices, challenges and recommendations to further the implementation of the GCM. Side-events will take place on 16-20 May 2022.

Description of the Side-event

Following the GCM regional reviews organized by the UN Regional Commissions and their respective partners in 2020 and 2021, the Regional Commissions will hold a side-event to reflect on gaps, challenges, and opportunities in implementing the GCM across their respective regions. Identifying synergies and commonalities across regions will help advance GCM implementation at national, regional, subregional and cross-regional levels.

Format

Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/93100790750>

Suggested agenda

May 19, 2022

Time: 8-9am (New York) 2-3pm (Geneva)

Venue: Virtual (Zoom)

5 minutes	<p>Opening Remarks Ms. Rosa Malango, Director, Regional Commissions, New York Office</p>
40 minutes	<p>Panel discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Marta Lucía Ramírez, Vice President of Colombia • Ms. Sarah Lou Y. Arriola - Undersecretary for Migrant Workers' Affairs Department of Foreign Affairs, Philippines and Chair of the Asia-Pacific Regional Review of Implementation of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration • Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana, Executive Secretary (ESCAP) • Mr. Mario Cimoli, Acting Executive Secretary (ECLAC) • Ms. Hanan Morsy, Deputy Executive Secretary (ECA) • Dr. Mounir Tabet, Deputy Executive Secretary (ESCWA) • Professor Joseph Teye, Director of the Centre for Migration Studies, University of Ghana • Dr. Ayman Zohry, President of The Egyptian Society for Migration Studies <p>Moderator: Ms. Rosa Malango, Director, Regional Commissions New York Office</p>
10 minutes	<p>Discussion / Q&A</p>
5 minutes	<p>Closing Remarks</p>