

Future Agenda for Global Diaspora Engagement:
*Paving the way to achieving Objective 19 through
regularisation and further inclusion*

Thursday 19 May, 2022
08.30 am-09:30 am
Trusteeship Council Chamber

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UN WebTV: <https://media.un.org/en/asset/k1k/k1kz4ox3gm>

On 1, 4 and 5 April 2022, IOM, in partnership with the Government of Ireland, co-hosted the Global Diaspora Summit (GDS), online and in Dublin, Ireland. Fully embracing a whole-of-government and whole-of-society vision of diaspora empowerment, the GDS gave attendees the opportunity to reflect on progress made in the implementation of Objective 19 and to jointly define a Future Agenda of Action for Global Diaspora Engagement: the Dublin Declaration, adopted by all lead participating countries present in Dublin and a growing number of other countries.

The outcome of the Summit - the Dublin Declaration - is a concise plan of visionary action to support the strategic development of diaspora engagement at a global level for policymakers and practitioners.

This side-event aims to share with the wider audience the Dublin Declaration and to encourage more countries to adhere to the ambitious Agenda of Action that the Declaration sets out. The presentation will be followed by a discussion with the audience on how the Outcome Document can concretely inform diaspora engagement efforts worldwide.

A particular focus of the discussion will be to explore how the Irish government, recognising the importance of ensuring the full engagement and integration of migrants and diasporas in society, developed and is implementing an initiative to regularise the position of thousands of long-term undocumented migrants in the State. Through such targeted measures to enhance social cohesion and connection as equal members of the community,

migrants are empowered to reach their maximum potential, to pursue their goals in education or employment and to contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals.

Session Flow:

- Introduction by Moderator (5 minutes)
- Remarks by Summit co-organisers (15 minutes)
 - IOM (Deputy Director General for Operations, Ugochi Daniels)
 - Ireland (Minister for Overseas Development Aid and Diaspora, Colm Brophy)
- Presentation of Ireland's regularisation scheme (10 minutes)
 - Cillian Delaney, Department of Justice of Ireland
- Empowered migrants - partners for development. A personal story (5 minutes)
 - Thierno Aliou Ba (Guinean migrant in Morocco)
- The Global Diaspora Summit and the Dublin Declaration - the road ahead (20 minutes)
 - Interactive discussion with statements from the floor facilitated by moderator.
 - Summary by moderator
- Concluding remarks and closure of event (5 minutes)

Speakers:

Ugochi Daniels

Ugochi Daniels took office as IOM's Deputy Director General – Operations on 1 September 2021.

Her career with the United Nations spans almost two decades. Prior to joining IOM, she was the Chief of Staff at the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) covering Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and the Occupied Palestinian Territory. She was also the United Nations Resident Coordinator and Designated Official for Security in the Islamic Republic of Iran from 2018 to 2020.

From 2013 to 2018, Ugochi Daniels was the Chief of Humanitarian and Fragile Contexts Branch at the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) Headquarters covering over seventy countries where UNFPA was responding to emergencies. She joined UNFPA in 2002 and her time there included assignments in the Philippines (Country Representative, 2010-2013) and Nepal (Deputy Representative, 2007-2010).

Minister Colm Brophy

Colm Brophy, TD, was appointed as the Irish Minister of State with responsibility for Overseas Development Aid and Diaspora on July 1st, 2020. Bringing together both aspects of his Ministerial portfolio, he hosted the in-person segment of the Global Diaspora Summit (GDS) in Dublin on 4-5 April, 2022.

He was first elected to the Dáil (Irish Parliament) in 2016 and represents Dublin South-West. He has served as Chairman of the Budgetary Oversight Committee and has also been a Member of the Joint Committee on Justice and Equality and the Joint Committee on European Union Affairs.

From 2008 to 2016, he was a Member of South Dublin County Council. He is a former member of the Board of Ireland's Housing Finance Agency and former President of the Association of Irish Local Government.

Cillian Delaney

Cillian Delaney is the Assistant Principal Officer with responsibility for migration policy in the Department of Justice of Ireland. He has worked on various legislative and policy matters related to immigration, citizenship and asylum.

He previously worked in the Department of health on food safety policy and graduated from University College Dublin in 2010 with a Master's Degree in Criminology and Criminal Justice.

Thierno Aliou Ba (video message)

Thierno Aliou Ba is of Guinean nationality. In 1984 he went to Morocco to study and graduated as a civil engineer from the École Hassania des Travaux Publics (Casablanca) in 1991. In 2002 he established SECTOB, a technical inspection agency. Now twenty years in existence, SECTOB employs twelve people, all Moroccan.

In addition to his professional career, Mr. Ba is a patron of the Tazzanine Association for Abandoned Children, of SOS Villages d'Enfants and of a number of associations of Sub-Saharan students, as well as being actively involved in education in Morocco and Guinea. His agency has also carried out the technical inspections of over 250 mosques free of charge.

Summit website:

<https://www.iom.int/global-diaspora-summit-2022>



Dublin Declaration:

<https://www.idiaspora.org/en/learn/resources/public-information-materials/dublin-declaration>



Side Event:

<https://www.idiaspora.org/en/event-calendar/future-agenda-global-diaspora-engagement-paving-way-achieving-objective-19-including>



Summit Report:

<https://www.idiaspora.org/en/learn/resources/public-information-materials/global-diaspora-summit-report>



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