

INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION REVIEW FORUM: ROUND TABLE THREE

Wednesday, 18 May 2022, 10:00 to 13:00
Trusteeship Council Chamber, United Nations Headquarters

Co-Chaired by Portugal and Thailand

INFORMATION NOTE AND PROGRAMME

Background

The International Migration Review Forum (IMRF) is the primary intergovernmental global platform to discuss and share progress on the implementation of all aspects of the Global Compact, including as it relates to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and with the participation of all relevant stakeholders.

Round table three will focus on progress made in the implementation of objectives 14, 15, 16, 19, 20 and 22 of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM).¹

The discussions will be interactive, evidence-based, and action-oriented with the participation of all relevant stakeholders. Participants are encouraged to commit pledges towards the implementation of the Compact. The Co-Chairs will present a technical summary of the round table in the policy debate.



¹ The background note for round table three is available at: <https://www.un.org/pga/76/wp-content/uploads/sites/101/2022/04/Round-table-3-Background-note-final.pdf>

PROGRAMME

10:00	<p>Opening</p> <p><i>Remarks by the Co-Chairs:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> H.E. Dr. Suriya Chindawongse, Permanent Representative of Thailand to the United Nations H.E. Ms. Ana Paula Zacarias, Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations
10:10	<p>Keynote speaker</p> <p>Ms. Emilia Saiz, Secretary General, UCLG, also a Member of the UHC2030 Political Advisory Board</p>
10:20	<p>Moderated panel discussion</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Mr. Murtaza Khan, Regional Managing Partner for the Middle East and Africa region, Fragomen</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Marian Campbell Jarvis, Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic and Program Policy Sector, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, Canada Ms. Gabriela Cuevas Barron, Co-chair of the UHC2030, Honorary President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) Ms. Stella Opoku-Owusu, Deputy Director at African Foundation for Development (AFFORD) Hon. Elizabeth Naa Kwatsoe Tawiah Sackey, Mayor of Accra/Chief Executive, Accra Metropolitan Assembly, Ghana (TBC) Dr. Santino Severoni, Director, Health and Migration Programme, WHO
10:45	<p>Interactive discussion</p> <p><i>Interventions from the floor</i></p>
12: 35	<p>Responses and final remarks by panellists</p>
12:50	<p>Closing</p> <p><i>Remarks by the Co-Chairs:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> H.E. Ms. Ana Paula Zacarias, Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations H.E. Dr. Suriya Chindawongse, Permanent Representative of Thailand to the United Nations

Biography of co-chairs

H.E. Dr. Suriya Chindawongse, Permanent Representative of Thailand to the United Nations



On 6 December 2021, the Permanent Representative of Thailand to the United Nations, Suriya Chindawongse, presented his credentials to UN Secretary-General António Guterres. Before his latest appointment, Mr. Chindawongse was Thailand's ambassador to Singapore, a post he held since 2020. From 2017 to 2020, he served as Director-General of his Government's Department of Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Affairs. He served in a range of progressively senior positions with that Department from 2008 to 2015. From 2006 to 2008, he served as Counsellor with the Office of the Foreign Minister, and from 2005 to 2006, he was Counsellor to the Chief of UNSG Campaign Task Unit, within the Government's International Organizations Department. Having entered Government service in 1993, Mr. Chindawongse has also held various other positions, including with the Permanent Mission of Thailand to the United Nations in New York. He holds a Doctor of Philosophy and a Master of Arts in law and diplomacy from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University, as well as a bachelor's degree from Lafayette College, both in the United States.

H.E. Ana Paula Zacarias, Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations



Ana Paula Zacarias was born in Lisbon in 1959. She has a degree in Cultural Anthropology from the University of Lisbon (1983). She was an assistant at the Faculdade de Ciências Sociais e Humanas - Universidade Nova de Lisboa until 1985. She entered the Portuguese Diplomatic Service in 1983 and held several assignments: to the Protocol Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1984-1985); as Junior Counsellor for International Relations at the Office of the President of the Republic (1986-1988); as Director of Press and Information Department (1996-1998) and as Vice President of the Instituto Camões (1998-2000). As a career diplomat she also served at different Diplomatic Missions such as the Embassy of Portugal in the USA (1988-1993); as Consul in Curitiba (1993-1996); as Deputy Permanent Representative in the delegation of Portugal to the UNESCO in Paris (2000-2005); as the first resident Ambassador of Portugal to Estonia (2005-2008) and as Deputy Permanent Representative of Portugal to the European Union (2009-2011). From 2011 to 2015 she was Head of Delegation of the EU Delegation in Brazil and from 2015 until July 2017 Head of Delegation of the EU Delegation to Colombia and Ecuador. On July 2017, she was appointed as Secretary of State for European Affairs, and served in this position until March 2022. On 31 March 2022, she was appointed as the new Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations.

Biography of keynote speaker

Ms. Emilia Saiz



Emilia Saiz is Secretary General of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG). She has worked with the international movement of local and regional governments in different capacities since 1997, leading programmes and initiatives on institutional capacity building, the participation of women in local decision-making and decentralized cooperation. She played a critical role in setting up the Global Taskforce of Local and Regional Governments and has followed and represented local and regional governments in iconic international processes such as the Rio and Beijing +20 as well as the Climate

Agreement, the SDGs and Habitat III and facilitated the contributions from local constituencies to the United Nations process.

Biography of moderator

Mr. Murtaza Khan



Murtaza is Regional Managing Partner at Fragomen for the Middle East and Africa. He has been based in the Middle East region for over 16 years and is responsible for Fragomen's practices in Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Doha, Johannesburg, Nairobi and network partners spanning across 50+ countries in the Middle East and Africa region. Murtaza has deep knowledge and expertise of regional business immigration regulatory frameworks across the Middle East and Africa. His expertise extends to practical mobility and deployment issues particularly when it comes to the transfer of skilled migrant workers into the region. His client portfolio includes several Fortune 500 companies in addition to government and semi-government entities in the region offering strategic immigration and mobility advisory, design and management of large immigration programs tailored to the region's requirements and best practices. He has spoken at numerous global and regional events and has published several articles and reports on the subject of migration. He represents the private sector at the Global Forum on Migration and Development and at Regional Consultative Processes in the Middle East and Africa region. Murtaza is a Fellow at the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales. Prior to joining Fragomen in 2006, Murtaza worked at a Big Four accounting firm in London and Sydney. He worked in Government and Public Sector Advisory, Immigration Services and Audit & Assurance.

Biographies of panellists

Ms. Marian Campbell Jarvis



Marian Campbell Jarvis is currently the senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic and Program Policy at Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada, where she oversees several economic immigration programs, leads program policy on refugee resettlement and asylum, and provides strategic policy advice including on related international and intergovernmental issues. Prior to this role, Marian served as Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet for Social Development Policy at the Privy Council Office. She was also ADM of Lands and Minerals at Natural Resources Canada and has played a number of senior roles at then Human Resources and Social Development Canada and Health Canada. Marian holds a Master's degree in Public Administration from Queen's University, and an undergraduate honours degree in Canadian Studies from Carleton University. She completed public sector leadership programs at the Ivey School of Business, University of Western Ontario, and at the University of Ottawa's Odell House. Originally from British Columbia, Marian lives in Ottawa with her husband and two teenaged children.

Ms. Gabriela Cuevas Barron



Active in politics since she was 15 years old, Gabriela was elected Federal Member of Parliament for the first time at age 21. She has been Federal Member of Parliament three times, Local Member of Parliament, and a Constituent Member of Parliament in the Constituent Assembly of Mexico City. Additionally, she was the first woman to be elected Mayor of the Miguel Hidalgo Delegation. She also chaired the Foreign Relations Committee when she served as Senator. In 2017 Gabriela Cuevas Barron became the youngest President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU). In her term, Gabriela worked to increase the prominence and prestige of the IPU as the global institution for parliamentarians. She is Honorary President of the IPU, and Co-Chair of UHC2030. She has been a Member of the High-Level Steering Group of Every Woman, Every Child. She is also Co-Chair of The Lancet COVID-19 Commission's Task Force on Humanitarian Relief, Social Protection, & Vulnerable Groups, and member of the Task Force on Global Health Diplomacy and Cooperation, and the Regional Task Force for Latin America. She was decorated with the grade of Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur by the Government of France, and the Cavaliere di Gran Croce, Ordine Equestre di Saint' Agata on behalf of the Government of the Republic of San Marino.

Ms. Stella Opoku-Owusu



Stella has 20 years' experience in the development sector at community, national and international levels, working with diaspora and migrant communities. She has solid experience and knowledge of diaspora, migration and development, in policy and practice and is responsible for overseeing AFFORD's work on Diaspora & Migrants Investment and their contributions to Enterprise and Employment including managing the AFFORD Diaspora Finance Portfolio, to a value of £2.5 million. She was nominated Co-Chair for the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD - Quito) Civil Society Day 2019, having previously led on AFFORD's official engagement with Migration and Development (MADE) Civil Society Network and coordinated the global thematic working group on diaspora and migrants in development. She has provided expertise to governments on diaspora engagement policy through consultancy, training programmes and speaking engagements. Her role engages diaspora and migrants, INGOs, inter-governmental and international bodies, governments and other stakeholders involved in diaspora and development with a view to developing policy to create a better enabling environment for diaspora action and job creation in Africa. In 2020, she was elected to the board of BOND – the UK network for international development organisations.

Hon. Elizabeth Naa Kwatsoe Tawiah Sackey



Hon. Elizabeth Naa Kwatsoe Tawiah Sackey is the current Chief Executive of the Accra Metropolitan Assembly (AMA). She is an economist and a politician. Before being appointed the first female Chief Executive of (AMA), Hon Elizabeth K. T. Sackey had served as the Deputy Minister for Greater Accra Region in the first term of His Excellency President Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo's government from 2017 to 2021. She also served the people of Okaikoi North Constituency between 2005 and 2017 as a Member of Parliament. While in Parliament, Hon. Elizabeth K. T. Sackey was appointed to represent Ghana at the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Parliament for seven (7) years. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Public Administration from the University of Ghana, Legon and a certificate in Marketing from the Academy of Business Administration. She is a devout Christian who fellowships with the Church of Pentecost. Mayor Sackey is married with four children.

Dr. Santino Severoni



Dr. Severoni is Director of the Global Health and Migration Programme, Office of the Deputy Director-General, at the WHO Headquarters in Geneva. He is a medical doctor, health economist, epidemiologist, and experienced systems management. He has over 24 years of experience as an international senior technical advisor and executive, worked for WHO, governments, NGOs, and foundations in Eastern Africa, the Balkans, Central Asia, and Europe. He has dedicated his work to global health, focusing on health sector reforms, health systems strengthening, health diplomacy, aid coordination/effectiveness, management of complex emergencies, and a WHO Representative in Albania and Tajikistan. Since 2011 have been leading the WHO EURO work on health and migration. In 2019 he was appointed EURO Special Representative on health & migration and Director a.i. on health systems and public health. In June 2020, he was appointed Director of the Global Health and Migration Programme at the WHO Headquarters in Geneva to lead the WHO global work on health and migration.