



## In a Nutshell: UN Network on Migration Support

### Tools, guidance and initiatives to support governments and stakeholders implement the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM)

In 2022-2024 the Network will focus on delivering on the mandates provided by the GCM as well as the [Progress Declaration](#), including on the development of a proposed limited set of indicators to review progress related to GCM implementation, and on the development of actionable recommendations on missing migrants and providing humanitarian assistance to migrants in distress.

The Progress Declaration also calls on the Network “to cooperate with Member States and relevant stakeholders to strengthen collaboration, peer learning, engagement and linkages at the global, regional, national and local levels” (para 72), and “to provide support to Member States and relevant stakeholders in their implementation of their pledges, upon their request” (para 73). Access the Network’s Workplan [here](#).

The Network will further support the second cycle of Regional Reviews of the GCM (download the framework [here](#)) and support the drafting of the next report of the Secretary-General to review the status of the implementation of the GCM, which will inform a plenary meeting of the General Assembly in 2024.

To deliver on its mandates, the Network will strengthen the systems and partnerships that have been developed to support GCM implementation, follow-up and review; seek to operationalize the guidance and tools it developed to support Member States, the UN system and stakeholders in the implementation of the GCM; and develop more coherent approaches to strategic communications and advocacy.

This note provides an overview of the ways and means that the Network is delivering on its mandates.

### I – Tools, guidance and initiatives to support GCM implementation, follow-up and review

During the coming cycle, the Network will put in place systems to coordinate the roll-out of existing tools and guidance, and to process and respond to requests for capacity building, from governments, stakeholders and from the UN system, in a consistent and timely manner.



### **Guidance for Member States and stakeholders in implementing the GCM**

The Network brings together the technical expertise of UN partners and stakeholders globally and draws from the experiences of governments around the world to support Member States and stakeholders' efforts to integrate the GCM in planning processes. The aim of these efforts is to strengthen whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches for implementing the GCM through the development of GCM national implementation plans or other mainstreaming efforts.

*Access the Guidance for governments and stakeholders and/or submit a request for further information [here](#).*

### **Guidance and trainings strengthening the UN System in supporting GCM implementation**

The Network provides system-wide support to UN Country Teams to integrate migration into planning processes, in accordance with the GCM's guiding principles to strengthen implementation of the GCM and accelerate progress towards the SDGs.

*Learn about the type of support available to UN Country Teams, access the Facilitator's Guide, submit a request for support and meet the Facilitation team [here](#).*

### **Network thematic guidance and tools**

To access the latest information on the Network workstreams and check the implementation status of their activities, click [here](#).

You can also access Network's tools and guidance by theme:

- Alternatives to immigration detention ([here](#))
- Regular pathways for migrants in vulnerable situations ([here](#))
- Bilateral labour migration agreements ([here](#))
- Return and reintegration ([here](#))
- Access to services ([here](#))
- Anti-discrimination ([here](#))
- COVID-19 responses ([here](#))

### **Migration Multi-Partner Trust Fund (Migration MPTF)**

The Migration MPTF is the only pooled funding instrument in the field of migration. Built on the foundations of the GCM's guiding principles, with a 360-degree approach, the Fund has clustered the GCM's 23 objectives under 5 thematic areas. The Fund considers concept notes on a rolling basis. They can therefore be submitted at any point of time. However, in order to allow sufficient time for the review process, concept notes need to be submitted at least six weeks prior to a Steering Committee meeting to be taken into consideration at said meeting.

In countries with a UN Resident Coordinator, concept notes will be submitted by the Resident Coordinator (or Resident Coordinators, in case of cross-border, multi-country or sub-regional initiatives) to ensure effective strengthening of the coherence of the UN system. When this is not applicable, please read more [here](#) (pages 20-21).

Concept notes should be prepared using the template [here](#). They will need to meet the criteria listed [here](#) (page 21).



Read our Frequently Asked Questions [here](#). More information on the MMPTF's webpage [here and at \[migrationmptf@iom.int\]\(mailto:migrationmptf@iom.int\)](#).

### **Migration Network Hub**

The Hub's [Repository of Practices](#) showcases replicable practices and serves as an inspiration for actors involved in GCM implementation at the global, national, regional and local levels. Any government or organization can contribute to the growing collection of practices demonstrating what governments, organizations, and people around the world are doing to promote the well-being of migrants and their communities.

Submit your practice as an example of GCM implementation [here](#) (requires registration). To register to the Hub, follow these simple steps [here](#) or log in [here](#).

More information at [gcmhub@iom.int](mailto:gcmhub@iom.int). The Migration Network Hub is accessible [here](#).

### **Pledging initiative**

In his 2020 [Report](#) on the GCM, the UN Secretary-General encourages States and stakeholders to pledge concrete actions for the implementation of the Compact. As of April 2023, 224 pledges had been submitted. Check our pledging dashboard [here](#).

A pledge is a measurable commitment to advance the implementation of one or more GCM guiding principles, objectives, or actions. It can take various forms, including:

- Financial contributions
- Human resource contributions
- Process-oriented commitments
- Policy-oriented commitments

You can submit pledges on behalf of your organization or government [here](#) or update those already submitted using the online form [here](#).

More information at [pledges@iom.int](mailto:pledges@iom.int). The pledging initiative's webpage is accessible [here](#).

## **II - Partnerships**

The Network has built extensive partnerships with both non-governmental stakeholders and Member States. Going forward, Member States and stakeholders have indicated a need for such engagement to happen in a more systematic way, including at the country and regional levels, complementing existing work at the global level. Below is an overview of Network partnership initiatives.

### **Champion countries initiative**

The UN Network on Migration invited a group of Member States to serve as "Champion countries" for the implementation of the GCM, targeting them with explicit support from the Network, while also generating key insights, lessons learned, and positive practices that can be shared in dedicated spaces and with other Member States.

There are currently 33 Champion countries (see map [here](#)). The initiative is a voluntary undertaking and is open to all Member States who wish to join. Member States are welcome to



express their interest through their Permanent missions in Geneva by sending an official Note Verbale to the Network at [unmignet@iom.int](mailto:unmignet@iom.int)

*More information on the Champions initiative's [webpage](#).*

### **Stakeholder engagement**

Stakeholders may engage across the various activities outlined in this document, including by contributing to the Migration Network Hub, submitting pledges, utilizing Network advocacy tools and trainings, joining or co-leading workstreams and organizing GCM Talks, submitting blogs, and serving as Steering Committee members for and program partners of the MMPTF. Stakeholders can also co-organize capacity building events with the Network for greater engagement on the GCM across their respective sectors, regions or countries. Stakeholders are valuable contributors to the follow up and review processes of the GCM as well.

*Read the stakeholder webpage [here](#). For more information on engaging your organization, please contact [mmaulik@iom.int](mailto:mmaulik@iom.int).*

## **III – Communications and advocacy tools**

While the Network has issued numerous statements and successfully convened and engaged with Member States and stakeholders in the lead-up to the IMRF, including through the [IMRF Dialogue series](#), opportunities for the Network to speak with one voice can be further tapped into. The Network will strengthen its advocacy efforts, focusing on the following tools.

### **GCM Talks**

In February 2023, the Network launched a series of consultations and peer-learning exchanges – GCM Talks – to support Member States, the United Nations system, and stakeholders to continue discussions on how best to implement the GCM. The GCM Talks take place mainly at global and regional levels. Where relevant, GCM Talks can be organized at the national level. Their purpose is to encourage an exchange of ideas, identifying key challenges or issues which require attention, initiating pledges and identifying practices for inclusion on the Hub.

The GCM Talks are an integral part of the activities of the Network, including its workstreams and feed into the preparation for the forthcoming Regional Reviews, and the next biennial report of the Secretary-General, due in 2024.

*Read the concept note [here](#). Submit your request to organize one [here](#).*

### **Statements and Press releases**

The secretariat of the Network can support country and regional Networks as well as Champion countries in drafting statements or press releases.

*To know more about the communications guidelines and coordination process, please contact [fkim@iom.int](mailto:fkim@iom.int).*

### **Blog series**

The Network launched a Blog Series with partners in 2021. This is a space where civil society organizations and stakeholders can share inputs and thoughts on their engagement in the GCM



implementation. They can also share their expectations and hopes, alongside trends, challenges and examples of ongoing collaboration in all regions.

*To participate in this series and be published in our external communications, please contact [unmignet@iom.int](mailto:unmignet@iom.int).*

### **Discussion spaces**

The Migration Network Hub provides [online discussion spaces](#) to enable interaction, knowledge-sharing and learning on topics related to GCM implementation among Member States and other stakeholders.

*Suggest discussions sending an email at [gcmhub@iom.int](mailto:gcmhub@iom.int) or contribute to the ongoing discussions [here](#). For help, watch our [help video](#).*

### **Network's Newsletter**

Every month, the Network sends out to its thousands of readers a newsletter compiling the latest developments on GCM implementation and an update on all GCM-related initiatives and activities at global, regional and national levels.

*Stay updated by subscribing to it [here](#). If you want to submit content for the upcoming issue, contact [fkim@iom.int](mailto:fkim@iom.int).*

### **Network Calendar**

You can access the Network's calendar of events for 2023 [here](#). To suggest the inclusion of events that are relevant to the Network, please contact [unmignet@iom.int](mailto:unmignet@iom.int).

### **Visual assets and templates**

To access our visuals, templates as well as the Network and GCM brandings, click [here](#).

### **Social media**

The Network is active on Twitter ([@UNmigNetwork](#)) and [LinkedIn](#). To have your content promoted and published on the Network's social media platforms, contact [fkim@iom.int](mailto:fkim@iom.int).

*For more information on communications, advocacy and events, please contact [fkim@iom.int](mailto:fkim@iom.int). Access the global communications strategy [here](#).*

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