

**Title: Mechanics for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration**

**Format**

**The Opening** of Common Space will feature framing from the GFMD Co-chairs and Civil Society Chair, Davos-style, together with a keynote from the SRSB, and a brief explanation of the Common Space programme.

**Three breakout sessions followed by seven smaller focus sessions** will then treat major aspects of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration. The breakout sessions will introduce and explore possible common understandings of “safe, orderly and regular”; focus sessions will go deeper to discuss concrete mechanisms of implementation in seven specific areas.

Each one-hour **breakout session** will begin with the moderator introducing the theme and the four discussion starters, who will frame the issue. Two of the discussions starters will be states, two from civil society, or exceptionally other non-state actors as appropriate. One of the civil society discussion starters will be a rapporteur from the Civil Society Days, presenting key conclusions and recommendations on the theme from deliberations in the Civil Society programme of the GFMD. Inspired by guiding questions shared in advance, each discussion starter will speak for 5 minutes. The moderator will then open the floor for interaction, alternating as possible between state and civil society participants from the floor.

Each of the three breakouts will have a rapporteur who will record key points and recommendations of the session. Highlights of the three breakouts will be presented in one consolidated report back to the Common Space Wrap-up plenary.

After a coffee break, 7 smaller, two-hour **focus sessions** will explore and discuss concrete mechanisms through which safe, orderly and regular migration can be brought about, and make recommendations. Each focus session will have a moderator, a maximum of three discussion starters (including at least one each from states and civil society) and a “mechanism-tracker” whose task is to record and report such discussion and recommendations, to be consolidated with highlights from the other focus sessions for reporting back in the Common Space Wrap-up plenary. Discussion in each focus session will be inspired by a set of three guiding questions shared in advance. Participants are free to proceed to the focus session of their choice.

Following lunch, Common Space will **wrap-up** with a one-hour plenary for consolidated reports-back from the breakout and focus sessions, and a **closing ceremony**.

Note that a set of “by invitation” small, interactive Tea tables will follow after Common Space in the same venue.

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7h30 – 9h00	<b>Participants arrive</b>						
9h00 – 9h45	<b>Opening Plenary</b> Opening of the GFMD Common Space, by the German and Moroccan Co-Chairs and Civil Society Chair Keynote speaker: SRSG Introduce methodology for the sessions <i>Plenary in Weltsaal (500) with simulcast in the Europasaal (200)</i>						
09h45 – 11h00	Breakout A <b>Safe migration</b>  <i>Weltsaal (380 participants)</i>			Breakout B <b>Orderly and Regular Migration</b> where work is the driver  <i>Europasaal (200 participants)</i>		Breakout C <b>Orderly and Regular Migration</b> where work is not the principal driver <i>Library (120 participants)</i>	
11h00 – 11h30	<b>Coffee break</b> + move to focus session						
11h30 – 13h30	Focus session 1 <b>The meaning and mechanisms of safety for children on the move</b>  <i>Ministersaal 1 (40-50 participants)</i>	Focus session 2 <b>The meaning and mechanisms of safety for other migrants in vulnerable situations</b>  <i>Europasaal (200 participants)</i>	Focus session 3 <b>The meaning and mechanisms of safety for migrants and societies in the face of growing xenophobia</b> <i>Ministersaal 2 (40-50 participants)</i>	Focus session 4 <b>The meaning and mechanisms of safety in contexts of return and reintegration</b>  <i>Weltsaal (180 – 220 participants)</i>	Focus session 5 <b>Mechanisms for Labour Mobility and regularization</b>  <i>Library (120 participants)</i>	Focus session 6 <b>Mechanisms for Ethical Recruitment of Migrant workers</b>  <i>Ministersaal 3 (40-50 participants)</i>	Focus session 7 <b>Mechanisms for complementary pathways for Refugees and Migrants, including Family Reunification</b>  <i>Ministersaal 4 (40-50 participants)</i>
13h30 – 14h45	<b>Lunch</b>						
14h45 – 15h30	<b>Common Space Wrap-Up</b> Reports back: One consolidated report from breakouts, and consolidated report(s) from focus sessions, final remarks by Civil Society Chair <i>Plenary in Weltsaal (500) with simulcast in the Europasaal (200)</i>						
15h30-16h00	<b>Closing Ceremony</b> German and Moroccan Co-Chairs and SRSG <i>Plenary in Weltsaal (500) with simulcast in the Europasaal (200)</i>						
16h00-16h30	Participants leave						
16h30- 18h00	<b>Teatables (by invitation)</b> <i>Ministersaal 1-4 and lounge to the right of the Weltsaal</i>						

## **Common Space Session Objectives, Animators, and Guiding questions**

### **Overall theme: Mechanics for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration**

193 member states of the United Nations unanimously adopted the formula “Safe, Orderly and Regular” Migration in both the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in 2015 and the New York Declaration in 2016. In the Declaration, states further committed to a two-year, states-led but multi-stakeholder process to develop a Global Compact in that regard, to be adopted in 2018.

Since 2006, the two UN High-level Dialogues on International Migration and Development and now, counting 2017, ten meetings of the Global Forum on Migration and Development have looked at central aspects of safe, orderly and regular migration—and often, the opposite. Over the years, states and civil society participants in these processes have demonstrated increasing determination to identify concrete practices and policies that can make a positive difference, for those on the move or even thinking of moving, as well as for countries and actors involved throughout the migratory process.

As a community of policy makers and practitioners active where migration and development intersect worldwide, the GFMD has the habit, the history and now the timing to help the process of developing the Global Compact for Safe Orderly and Regular Migration get off to a practical start.

Where the Global Compact was the primary focus of Common Space in the GFMD in Bangladesh, it will be the entire focus here. Within that focus however, the objective of this year’s Common Space sessions will be to look directly and mechanically at *implementation* of the existing rights and commitments. That is, build upon but not simply re-litigate or repeat existing rights and commitments. With that in mind, sessions will move from a starting point of rights and commitments already agreed to discussing concrete mechanisms for safe, orderly and regular migration. Of particular value will be the recent work of Peter Sutherland, the UN Secretary-General’s first and long-serving Special Representative for Migration and “father” of the GFMD. Among its 16 recommendations, the “Sutherland Report” points to action that is possible on a range of important mechanisms and approaches to migration precisely because they are centered upon shared understandings and shared interest.

### **I. Opening Plenary: 9h00 – 9h45**

*Plenary in Weltsaal (500 participants) with simulcast in the Europasaal (200 participants)*

#### **Opening remarks**

- German GFMD Co-chair, 2017-2018:
- Moroccan GFMD Co-chair, 2017-2018:
- Chair of the GFMD Civil Society Days 2017:

**Keynote speaker:** Ms. Louise Arbour, UN Secretary-General’s Special representative for International Migration

The **objective** of this session is to set the stage for Common Space 2017 to focus entirely on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration. In addition to brief Opening remarks and the Keynote, there will be a brief introduction to the methodology for the rest of the sessions. If time permits, there can be interaction with the floor in this session, alternating between states and civil society participants.

## II. Breakout Sessions A-B-C: 9h45 – 11h00

- *Participants are free to proceed to the breakout session of their choice.*

The **objective** of these three breakout sessions is to unpack what is meant by “safe”, “orderly” and regular”. Participants in each breakout session should aim with ambition to identify convergence between states and civil society: first, on shared understandings of the terms “safe”, “orderly” and regular”, and second, on shared interest that states and civil society actors may have in achieving that. Focus sessions will go deeper to discuss concrete mechanisms of implementation in seven specific areas.

**Format:** each one-hour breakout session will begin with the moderator introducing the theme and the four discussion starters, who will frame the issue. The moderator will remind participants that “we are not starting from zero”, aided by a two-side document circulated to participants ahead of the session that recollects key commitments in the SDGs and New York Declaration and excerpts from the Sutherland report relevant to the theme of the breakout session.

Two of the discussions starters will be states, two from civil society, or exceptionally other non-state actors as appropriate. One of the civil society discussion starters will be a rapporteur from the Civil Society Days, presenting key conclusions and recommendations on the theme from deliberations in the Civil Society programme of the GFMD. Inspired by guiding questions shared in advance, each discussion starter will speak for 5 minutes. The moderator will then open the floor for interaction, alternating as possible between state and civil society participants from the floor.

Each of the three breakouts will have a rapporteur who will record key points and recommendations of the session. Highlights of the three breakouts will be presented in one consolidated report back to the Common Space Wrap-up plenary.

## **Breakout A: Safe migration**

*Weltsaal (380 participants)*

Guiding questions:

1. With particular reference to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the New York Declaration, what is our *shared understanding* of key rights, commitments—and possibilities—that currently exist with respect to safe migration?
2. Across states, civil society and other actors, and perhaps reflecting insights from the Sutherland Report, where do we see and how might we better channel *shared interest* in safe migration?

Moderator:

Discussion starters

- A, state
- B, state
- C, rapporteur with relevant key conclusions and recommendations from Civil Society Days
- D, civil society

Session rapporteur:

## **Breakout B: Orderly and Regular Migration *where work is the driver***

*Europasaal (200 participants)*

Guiding questions:

1. With particular reference to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the New York Declaration, what is our *shared understanding* of key rights, commitments—and possibilities—that currently exist with respect to orderly and regular migration where people are moving principally to find employment?
2. Across states, civil society and other actors, and perhaps reflecting insights from the Sutherland Report, where do we see and how might we better channel *shared interest* in orderly and regular migration in labour contexts?

Moderator:

Discussion starters

- A, state
- B, state
- C, rapporteur with relevant key conclusions and recommendations from Civil Society Days

- D, civil society

Session rapporteur:

### **Breakout C: Orderly and Regular Migration *where work is not the principal driver***

*Library (120 participants)*

Guiding questions:

1. With particular reference to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the New York Declaration, what is our shared understanding of key rights, commitments—and possibilities—that currently exist with respect to orderly and regular migration where the primary motivation for people on the move is not work, e.g., family reunification, climate or environmental change, human trafficking, hunger or lack of livelihoods, grave human rights violations, etc.
2. Across states, civil society and other actors, and perhaps reflecting insights from the Sutherland Report, where do we see and how might we better channel *shared interest* in orderly and regular migration in these contexts?

Moderator:

Discussion starters

- A, state
- B, state
- C, rapporteur with relevant key conclusions and recommendations from Civil Society Days
- D, civil society

Session rapporteur:

### **III. Coffee break: 11h00 – 11h30**

### **IV. Focus sessions 1 – 7: 11h30 – 13h30**

- *Participants are free to proceed to the focus session of their choice.*

Building on shared understandings and shared interest identified in the breakout sessions, the 7 smaller **focus sessions** will explore concrete *mechanisms* through which safe, orderly and regular migration can be brought about in specific contexts, and make recommendations. Participants in each focus session should aim with ambition first, to, identify up to three such concrete mechanisms that either currently exist, existed or can be developed, and second, to articulate practical implementation of such mechanisms with possible goals and targets that can be achieved in 2 years, 5 years, and 12 years.

Each focus session will have a moderator, a maximum of three discussion starters (including at least one each from states and civil society) and a “mechanism-tracker” whose task is to record and report such discussion and recommendations, to be consolidated with highlights from the other focus sessions for reporting back in the Common Space Wrap-up plenary.

To center and drive a practical discussion, each discussion starter is invited to frame one concrete mechanism relevant to the focus session theme, and suggesting goals and targets for achievement along the 2, 5 and 12 year timeline (i.e., matching the ultimate timeline of the 2030 Agenda.)

Discussion in each focus session will be further inspired by a set of three guiding questions shared in advance.

Participants are free to proceed to the focus session of their choice.

### **Focus session 1: The meaning and mechanisms of safety for children on the move**

*Ministersaal 1 (40-50 participants)*

#### **Guiding questions**

1. What evidence and which key commitments of states point to the importance of the Global Compact incorporating mechanisms of safety for children on the move?
2. What concrete mechanisms either exist, existed or might be developed that can achieve greater safety for children on the move, and is it possible to conceive a timeline of goals and targets for increasingly implementing such mechanisms, e.g., over the next 2, 5 and 12 years?
3. Who has essential or transformative roles to play in such mechanisms, among states, civil society and others, including actors in migrant, refugee and diaspora organizations, the private sector, and local authorities?

Moderator:

Discussion starters

- A, state
- B, civil society
- [optional] C, state, civil society or other

Mechanism tracker:

### **Focus session 2: The meaning and mechanisms of safety for other migrants in vulnerable situations**

*Europasaal (200 participants)*

### **Guiding questions**

1. What evidence and which key commitments of states point to the importance of the Global Compact incorporating mechanisms of safety for migrants in vulnerable situations other than children on the move?
2. What concrete mechanisms either exist, existed or might be developed that can achieve greater safety for these migrants in vulnerable situations, and is it possible to conceive a timeline of goals and targets for increasingly implementing such mechanisms, e.g., over the next 2, 5 and 12 years?
3. Who has essential or transformative roles to play in such mechanisms, among states, civil society and others, including actors in migrant, refugee and diaspora organizations, the private sector, and local authorities?

Moderator:

Discussion starters

- A, state
- B, civil society
- [optional] C, state, civil society or other

Mechanism tracker:

### **Focus session 3: The meaning and mechanisms of safety for migrants and societies in the face of growing xenophobia**

*Ministersaal 2 (40-50 participants)*

### **Guiding questions**

1. What evidence and which key commitments of states point to the importance of the Global Compact incorporating mechanisms of safety for migrants and societies in the face of growing xenophobia?
2. What concrete mechanisms either exist, existed or might be developed that can achieve greater safety in these contexts, and is it possible to conceive a timeline of goals and targets for increasingly implementing such mechanisms, e.g., over the next 2, 5 and 12 years?
3. Who has essential or transformative roles to play in such mechanisms, among states, civil society and others, including actors in migrant, refugee and diaspora organizations, the private sector, and local authorities?

Moderator:

Discussion starters

- A, state



- B, civil society
- [optional] C, state, civil society or other

Mechanism tracker:

#### **Focus session 4: The meaning and mechanisms of safety in contexts of return and reintegration**

*Weltsaal (380 participants)*

##### **Guiding questions**

1. What evidence and which key commitments of states point to the importance of the Global Compact incorporating mechanisms of safety in contexts for migrants in contexts of return and reintegration?
2. What concrete mechanisms either exist, existed or might be developed that can achieve greater safety for migrants in these contexts, and is it possible to conceive a timeline of goals and targets for increasingly implementing such mechanisms, e.g., over the next 2, 5 and 12 years?
3. Who has essential or transformative roles to play in such mechanisms, among states, civil society and others, including actors in diaspora organizations and in countries of origin?

Moderator:

Discussion starters

- A, state
- B, civil society
- [optional] C, state, civil society or other

Mechanism tracker:

#### **Focus session 5: Mechanisms for labour mobility and regularization**

*Library (120 participants)*

##### **Guiding questions**

1. What evidence and which key commitments of states point to the importance of the Global Compact incorporating mechanisms for labour mobility and regularization?
2. What concrete mechanisms either exist, existed or might be developed to better organize labour mobility and regularization, and is it possible to conceive a timeline of goals and targets for increasingly implementing such mechanisms, e.g., over the next 2, 5 and 12 years?

3. Who has essential or transformative roles to play in such mechanisms, among states, civil society and others, including actors in trade unions and workers organizations, the private sector, and in countries of origin and employment?

Moderator:

Discussion starters

- A, state
- B, civil society
- [optional] C, state, civil society or other

Mechanism tracker:

### **Focus session 6: Mechanisms for Ethical recruitment of Migrant Workers**

*Ministersaal 3 (40-50 participants)*

#### **Guiding questions**

1. What evidence and which key commitments of states point to the importance of the Global Compact incorporating mechanisms for ethical recruitment of migrant workers?
2. What concrete mechanisms either exist, existed or might be developed for more ethical recruitment of migrant workers, and is it possible to conceive a timeline of goals and targets for increasingly implementing such mechanisms, e.g., over the next 2, 5 and 12 years?
3. Who has essential or transformative roles to play in such mechanisms, among states, civil society and others, including actors in trade unions and workers organizations, the private sector, and in countries of origin and employment?

Moderator:

Discussion starters

- A, state
- B, civil society
- [optional] C, state, civil society or other

Mechanism tracker:

### **Focus session 7: Mechanisms for Complementary pathways for refugees and migrants, including family reunification**

*Ministersaal 4 (40-50 participants)*

### **Guiding questions**

1. What evidence and which key commitments of states point to the importance of the Global Compact incorporating mechanisms for complementary pathways for refugees and migrants, including family reunification?
2. What concrete mechanisms either exist, existed or might be developed for such pathways, including family reunification, and is it possible to conceive a timeline of goals and targets for increasingly implementing such mechanisms, e.g., over the next 2, 5 and 12 years?
3. Who has essential or transformative roles to play in such mechanisms, among states, civil society and others, including actors in refugee protection NGOs, migrant, refugee and diaspora organizations, faith-based networks, local authorities and community associations, universities, and the private sector?

Moderator:

Discussion starters

- A, state
- B, civil society
- [optional] C, state, civil society or other

Mechanism tracker:

### **V. Lunch: 13h30 – 14h45**

### **VI. Common Space Wrap-Up: 14h45 – 15h30**

*Plenary in Weltsaal (500) with simulcast in the Europasaal (200)*

Reports back: moderated by Chair of the GFMD Civil Society Days 2017. One consolidated report from breakouts, and consolidated report(s) from focus sessions

Final remarks by Civil Society Chair

- *Participants remain in the rooms for the Closing Ceremony, which follows immediately*

### **VII. Closing Ceremony: 15h30 – 16h00**

*Plenary in Weltsaal (500) with simulcast in the Europasaal (200)*

Closing remarks by the German and Moroccan Co-Chairs and the UN Secretary-General's Special Representative for International Migration