

Intergovernmental Conference to adopt the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

Side-events: Marrakesh Morocco 8-9 December 2018

Side events will take place at [Palmeraie Golf Palace](#) and will require either a GFMD or conference badge.

Organizer(s)	Title/theme	Content	Date/time	Room
IOM - co-organizers TBC	Addressing the humanitarian consequences of large movements – Taking stock and looking ahead two years on from the New York Declaration	This side-event will explore concrete action already taken to deliver on the promise of 2016 to address the humanitarian concerns of migrants in transit. Specifically, it will demonstrate how action and lessons from international cooperation, regional and inter-regional responses and partnerships, if replicated and up-scaled, can guide the international community in its implementation of the GCM objectives to address and reduce vulnerabilities in migration (objective 7), save lives (objective 8) and enhance availability of pathways for migrants in a situation of vulnerability (objective 5). In so doing, it will also explore further efforts that could be taken to reduce vulnerability as well as combat the abuses and exploitation of migrants in situations of vulnerability, consistent with States’ obligations under international law, as well as the commitment in the New York Declaration to consider developing non-binding principles and voluntary guidelines on the treatment of migrants in vulnerable situations, the Secretary General’s recommendation that Member States lay out a strategy for dealing with large movements of migrants, as well as broader efforts to address displacement.	Saturday 08 December 10:30-12:30	Orangeriaie
UNFPA, Denmark (TBC), Germany TBC, Kenya TBC, Tunisia TBC	Drivers and determinants of international youth migration	This side event will take the shape of a high-level panel discussion, presenting findings from studies conducted by UNFPA in collaboration with national governments on the drivers of international migration in major city hubs, including Beirut, Cairo, Nairobi and Tunis and on the intentions of migrants in settling in cities and the implications in- and outmigration has for cities in their pursue of sustainable development. The side event will present latest findings on the drivers of irregular and forced migration to cities and protection gaps of the vulnerable.	Saturday 09 December 15:30-17:30	Palmeraie

Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) in collaboration with its partners: IOM, PDD, the Swiss Government and Government of Germany.	“Role of International Cooperation and Partnerships in Implementing the GCM - Mechanisms and Best Practices from the IGAD Region”	The side event will bring together national, regional and global state and non-state actors addressing structural factors like poverty, unemployment and climate change and disasters to show case good practices, policy implications, existing and desired partnerships to support the implementation of the GCM.	Sunday 09 December 8:00-10:00	Palmeraie
International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)	Saving lives and ensuring safe access to basic services: Partnerships in the humanitarian aspects of migration	The central theme of the proposed Side-Event (the ‘Event’) is saving lives and ensuring safe and effective access to basic services for all migrants, irrespective of their legal status, through local coordination and collaboration between government, humanitarian actors and civil society. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guiding principles: People-centred; Whole-of-society approach; International cooperation. • Objective 7: Address and reduce vulnerabilities in migration. Specifically, Objective 7(f) • Objective 15: Provide access to basic services for migrants. Specifically, para. 31 • Implementation: Specifically, para. 44 	Sunday 09 December 10:30-12:30	Orangeriaie
Regional Economic Commissions	Regional Perspectives on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration	This side event is expected to (1) highlight the conclusions of the regional consultations on the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration, and (2) provide a forum to discuss potential avenues for regional cooperation to assist Member States in the implementation and follow-up of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration.	Sunday 09 December 13:00-15:00	Atlas 1
Co-organized by OHCHR together with Member States (TBC), UNHCR (TBC) and UNODC (TBC)	“Migrants in vulnerable situations: National practice for admission and stay based on human rights and humanitarian grounds”	Participants will be introduced to a wide range of existing national practices for admission and stay of migrants in vulnerable situations; improve their understanding of the relevant criteria based on international human rights law and humanitarian considerations, which may lead to a regular status, and explore the relative strengths and advantages of existing mechanisms and procedures, learning “what works”.	Sunday 09 December 13:00-15:00	Palmeraie
the European Commission’s Knowledge Centre on Migration, Demography (KCMD), the EU	From theory to practice: innovative uses of evidence for forward-looking migration policies	The event will enhance participant’s understanding of the factors which drive migration and provide them with practical tools and approaches which can facilitate the use of this knowledge in their policymaking. It will do so	Sunday 09 December 15:30-17:30	Palmeraie

Policy Lab and the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD).		through a two-step approach, by presenting the latest evidence on the drivers of migration, and then innovative tools for using this knowledge in policymaking. This will ensure the event supports the translation of the text of the Compact into practical policy developments.		
UAE, IOM, Migrant Forum Asia	Mobilising Regional Consultative Processes to support GCM implementation	The purpose of the side event will be to elaborate on the role of RCPs in supporting GCM implementation. Anticipated outcomes of the side event may include: stronger understanding and coordination among stakeholders and a roadmap on the role of RCPs in implementing the GCM; Aligning and streamlining RCPs contributions with GFMD	Sunday 09 December 15:30-17:30	Atlas 1
UN Environment, International Organization for Migration (IOM), Platform on Disaster Displacement, UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR), UN Trust Fund for Human Security and the Norwegian Refugee Council	Addressing natural disasters, adverse effects of climate change and environmental degradation – solutions for human mobility and human security	The objective of the side event is to raise awareness of and promote effective practices and policy instruments to minimize climate change, environment and natural hazard related drivers that compel people to leave their countries of origin, and encourage new commitments in this regard. The side event will promote a “360 degrees vision” and address both the drivers and impacts on people deciding to migrate or forced to move, with possible consequences for societal stability and human security. It will also focus on solutions for vulnerable populations for whom adaptation to the adverse effects of climate change or measures to reduce the risk of disasters may no longer be possible, and who need assistance and protection, with full respect for their rights.	Sunday 09 December 18:00-20:00	Palmeriaie