

# A GLANCE AT THE GLOBAL COMPACT FOR MIGRATION (GCM)



## THE GCM IS:

- An **inter-governmentally negotiated agreement** prepared under the auspices of the **United Nations** and organized under **23 Objectives**.
- Aimed at improving **cooperation** on international migration.
- **Not legally binding**, but consistent with human rights treaties and fully respectful of States' sovereignty.
- Covers **all dimensions of international migration** in a holistic and comprehensive way.
- **Rooted in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development** and aimed at maximizing the potential of migration to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- Negotiated between 2016 and 2018 **to be formally adopted** by the Intergovernmental Conference in **December 2018**.

## IMPLEMENTATION

- To be implemented by Governments in **cooperation** and **partnership** with migrants and all relevant stakeholders.

## FOLLOW-UP AND REVIEW

- An **International Migration Review Forum** shall take place **every four years** beginning in 2022 with the participation of all relevant stakeholders.
- The Forum will discuss and share progress on implementation at all levels and will approve an inter-governmentally agreed **Progress Declaration**.

## MEMBER STATES' COMMITMENTS

### PROTECT THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF ALL MIGRANTS BY:

- **Objective 6:** Reviewing employment recruitment mechanisms to guarantee that they are fair and ethical
- **Objective 13:** Using immigration detention only as a measure of last resort, and working towards alternatives
- **Objective 15:** Providing access to basic services for migrants regardless of their migration status
- **Objective 16:** Empowering migrants to become active members of society and promoting mutual respect and understanding between migrants and receiving communities
- **Objective 17:** Eliminating all forms of discrimination and related intolerance against all migrants
- **Objective 18:** Investing in the identification and development of migrants' skills and qualifications.

### REDUCE FORCED MIGRATION BY:

- **Objective 2:** Minimizing factors that compel people to leave their country of origin
- **Objective 5:** Enhancing pathways for regular migration
- **Objective 19:** Creating conditions for migrants and diasporas to fully contribute to sustainable development
- **Objective 20:** Improving the remittance transfer process and migrants' access to financial institutions.
- **Objective 22:** Making social security entitlements and earned benefits portable
- **Objective 23:** Strengthening international cooperation and global partnerships for safe, orderly and regular migration

### IMPROVE MIGRATION MANAGEMENT BY:

- **Objective 1:** Collecting and utilizing accurate and disaggregated data
- **Objective 3:** Providing accurate and timely information at all stages of migration
- **Objective 4:** Ensuring that all migrants, including stateless people, have proof of legal identity and adequate documentation
- **Objective 7:** Reducing vulnerabilities of migrants in countries of origin, transit and destination
- **Objective 12:** Increasing legal certainty and predictability of migration procedures
- **Objective 14:** Strengthening consular protection and assistance

### ENHANCE THE SAFETY OF MIGRATION BY:

- **Objective 8:** Saving lives and preventing migrants' deaths and injuries
- **Objective 9:** Intensifying joint efforts to prevent and counter smuggling of migrants
- **Objective 10:** Acting to prevent, combat and eradicate trafficking in persons
- **Objective 11:** Promoting bilateral and regional cooperation to manage national borders in a coordinated manner
- **Objective 21:** Facilitating safe and dignified return and readmission, as well as sustainable reintegration

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