



Practical Guide for the Attendees

5 - 11 December 2018

Before traveling to Marrakech

- All relevant information is available on the official conference website:
<http://www.un.org/en/conf/migration/>
- Also, refer Information Note for Participant A/CONF.231/INF/1

Registration

- Delegations are invited to pre-register with UN Protocol Office by 28 Nov through the online portal: <http://delegate.un.int>.
- Delegations that do not have credentials ready at this point in time are requested to submit a letter signed by the Mission in New York listing the members of their delegation in order to get their online accreditation approved by the UN Protocol Office.
- Other invited parties including from the UN system to the conference are requested to register through the corresponding link on the conference website:
<http://www.un.org/en/conf/migration/registration.shtml>.
- Media representatives are invited to pre-register with Media and Accreditation Liaison Unit (MALU): <http://www.un.org/en/media/accreditation/accreditation.shtml>. Please note that all media equipment to Morocco require an authorization. Requests should be made to the Moroccan Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, by email to dicom@maec.gov.ma, or through Embassies of Morocco or Embassies accredited in Rabat.
- Note that filming outside the Conference venue requires a separate specific filming authorization (side events site or other venues). Requests should be made to the Moroccan Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation: by email to dicom@maec.gov.ma, or through Embassies of Morocco or Embassies accredited in Rabat.

Travel support

- Requests for travel support for government representatives must be submitted through a note verbale from their Permanent Representative in New York to GCmigration@un.org, no later than the 26 November.
- No more than one government representative per country will be supported, and priority will be given to Least Developed Countries (LDCs), on a first-come first-served basis, taking into consideration resources available in the voluntary trust fund, the timing of submission of the request for support, regional and gender balance, and travel support received for previous sessions.

Speaking requests

- Please submit requests to speak in plenary room via <http://delegate.un.int>.
- Please submit requests to speak in dialogue room to gcmigration@un.org no later than 26 November.

Accommodation

- Hotel reservation shall be made through the booking portal: <http://stoursevents.com/cim2018/> no later than 20 November. Reservations made after that date cannot be guaranteed.
- You will have the possibility to reserve transportation from airport to hotel at <http://stoursevents.com/cim2018/>.
- Free shuttle buses will be provided from the hotels available through the booking portal to the conference site.
- Note that participants are responsible for making their own transportation arrangements to the conference site if accommodation is not booked through the portal.

Visa

- Get your visa as soon as possible
- All participants must have a passport that is valid for at least 3 months and should check the visa requirements to enter the Kingdom of Morocco here: <http://www.un.org/en/conf/migration/logistics.shtml>

Bilateral Booth request

- An electronic reservation system will be activated through gMeets (<https://icms.un.org/uc/>) on 3 December 2018 for delegations to submit reservations electronically. Delegations requiring information regarding bilateral meeting reservation procedures and login credentials should send an email to emeetsm@un.org, with copy to abes@un.org and manalilik@un.org, and with “BILATS-GCM” written in the subject line.

Airport Transportation

- Airport shuttle service to and from hotels is to be arranged and paid by participants. For more information, please visit www.un.org/en/conf/migration.

Arrival in Marrakech

- There will be Welcome Desks provided by the host country inside and outside airport terminals in Casablanca and Marrakesh to assist you upon arrival.
- Pre-registered delegations are invited to pick up their GCM conference badge at the registration center of Conference site at Bab Ighli (Blue Zone) upon presentation of a hard copy of the approval email along with a valid passport.

- Opening hours of the registration center at Conference Site Bab Ighli:

5-6 December: 9:30am – 6:00pm

7-8 December: 9:30am – 7:00pm

9 December: 8:30am – 7:30pm

10 December: 7:30am – 6:00pm

11 December: 8:30am – 1:00pm

- Car stickers will be given to delegations driving own vehicles while collecting badges (must collect before 10 December).
- As an alternative to collecting the badge at the conference site, badges may be collected by representatives of the embassies/consulates general in Morocco or the region, upon presentation of a valid passport/government issues photo ID and the approval emails, along with an official letter in ENGLISH authorizing the representative to collect the conference badges. The letter of authorization may be issued by the ministries, permanent missions to the United Nations, embassies or consulates general and must specify the name of the collector.
- Note that United Nations Security will not issue duplicate conference badges if those are lost.
- Please register with your hotel on the bus shuttles to Conference site (Blue Zone) and to Side event (Palmeriaie Golf Palace).

5-7 Dec

Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD)

- Registration for this event is separate from that of the intergovernmental conference.
- Please register here: <https://www.gfmd.org/eleventh-gfmd-summit-meeting-registration-landing> (Deadline 20 November)

8-9 Dec

Side Events related to the intergovernmental conference

- Side events are held at are held at Palmeriaie Golf Palace.
- Access to the venue will be granted for holders of a GFMD or GCM badges. If participants do not possess either of those badges, they will need to request a special access badge. Please contact the relevant side event organizers in case you require such a pass.
- The venue is about 30 minutes by taxi from the Blue Zone and 20 minutes from the hotel district.
- Schedule of side events is available on the Conference website:
- <http://www.un.org/en/conf/migration/side-events.shtml>

A press conference by the Special Representative for International Migration and a Representative from the government of Morocco

- To brief on the global compact and the conference (time TBC)

A welcome tour to the media professionals

- Introduction to the venue and the modalities of the conference (time TBC)

9 Dec evening Welcome Reception

- Hosted by the Government of Morocco.
The Minister of Foreign Affairs will deliver welcoming remarks, and the Secretary-General will introduce the UN Migration Network as endorsed in the Global Compact.
- Venue: Conference Site Restaurant. By invitation only: Heads of Delegation (1+1).
- Special Event Tickets will be issued and can be collected along with badges for the GCM at the registration center (See opening of the Registration Center above)

10 December **Day 1 GCM Conference at Blue Zone at Bab Ighli (access only granted to GCM badge holders)**

Before 08:30 Express lanes for those already collected badges. Expect delay for those collecting badges on 10 December. There is an express lane for VIP and a dedicated entrance for VVIPs.

In Plenary Room

09:00-20:00 Opening ceremony of the GCM at Plenary Room (secondary passes are required to access to opening ceremony. Secondary passes will be issued for 2+2 only, which will be given during badges collection at the registration counter. There will be observation areas with screens in other rooms and areas for others who could not access to the plenary room).

Opening statements.

President of the Conference invites to adopt the Conference

The general debate begins with statements by States in accordance with the established list of speakers.

In Dialogue Room

10:00-13:00 Dialogue 1: Promoting action on the commitments of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

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18:00-19:30 Special Event: 70th Anniversary of Universal Declaration of Human Rights

In Press Briefing Room

12:00-12:30 The noon media briefing by the Spokesperson

11 December Day 2 GCM Conference at Blue Zone at Bab Ighli access only granted to GCM badge holders)

In Plenary Room

09:00-20:00 Continue with general debate by States in accordance with the established list of speakers

20:00 tentative Closing of Conference by President of the Conference

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To be confirmed Closing Press Conference by the Special Representative for International Migration