



Global Forum on
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The Global Forum on Migration and Development: Priorities for 2015

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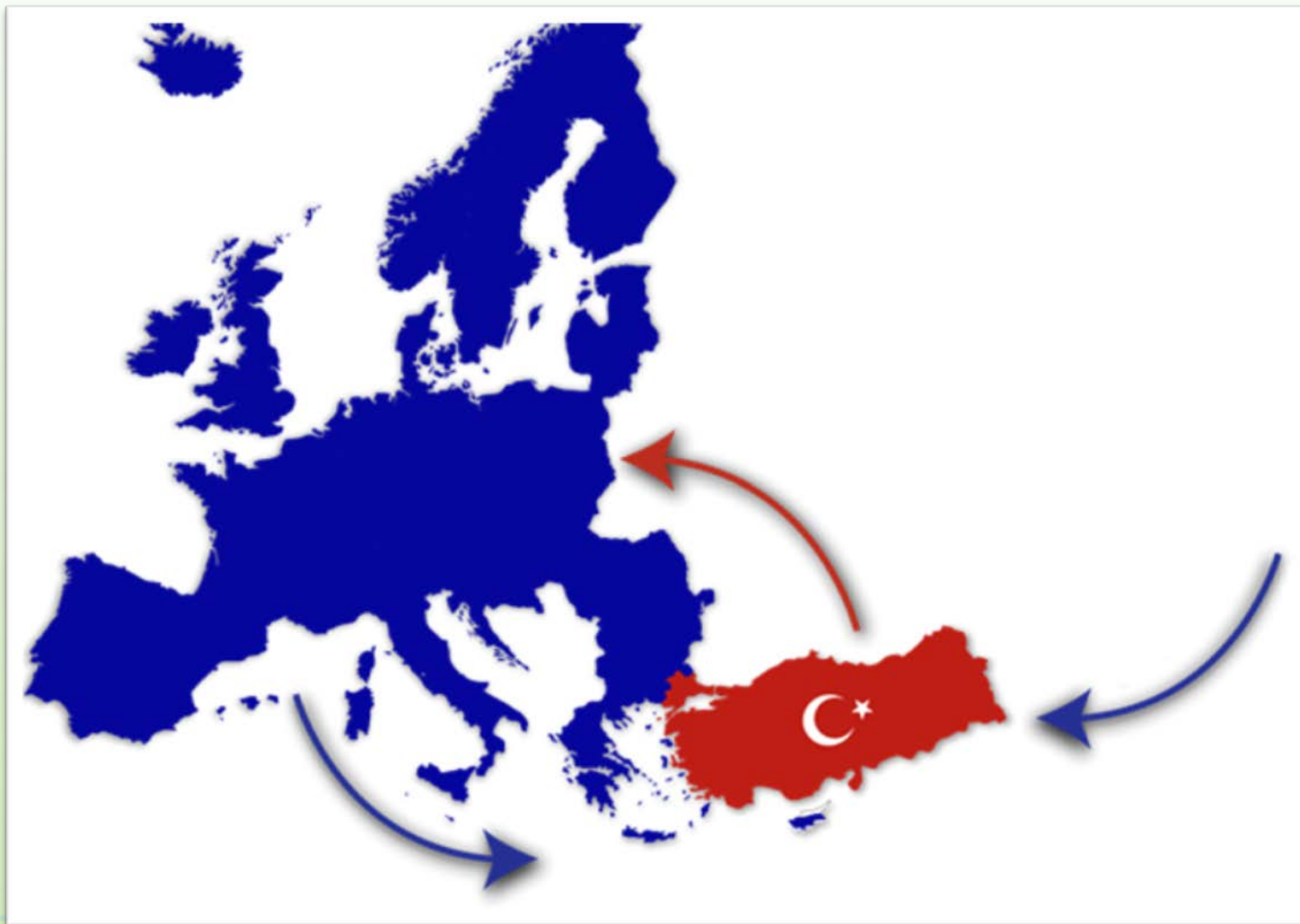
The GFMD Process

- A unique arena for policy makers and practitioners to discuss practical challenges and opportunities that lie at the intersection of migration and development.
- Informal, non-binding platform for generating, discussing, and sharing ideas, policies and experiences
- Government-led roundtables, thematic meetings, Platform for Partnerships, Policy and Practice Database.

8th GFMD Chairmanship

- Turkey to host **8th GFMD Summit Meeting** in Istanbul on **14- 16 October 2015**
- Turkey's unique perspectives as a **country of origin, transit and destination.**
- Turkey's growing **commitment to development** issues.
- Turkey has a **wealth of experience** to share in the area of migration and development.

Turkey → Transit, Origin and Destination Country



Objectives of the Turkish GFMD Chairmanship

1. Enhancing migrant-focused migration management
2. Recognising the development impact of migration in public policies
3. Engaging relevant stakeholders in strengthening the linkages between migration and development

Roundtable Priorities

RT 1: “Human mobility and the well-being of migrants”

RT 2: “Migration as a factor in development”

“Strengthening Partnerships: Human Mobility for Sustainable Development”

RT 3: “Enhancing international cooperation on emerging issues in migration and mobility”

Roundtable 1

“Human mobility and the well-being of migrants”

- **Session 1.1**

Partnerships to promote inclusion and protect the human rights of all migrants in order to achieve the full benefits of migration

- **Session 1.2**

Reducing the human and financial costs of international migration, particularly labor migration: Cooperative approaches to fair recruitment practices and lower remittance fees

Roundtable 2

“Migration as a factor in development”

- **Session 2.1**

Mainstreaming migration into planning at the sectoral level

- **Session 2.2**

*Making migration work post-2015:
implementing the SDGs*

Roundtable 3

“Enhancing international cooperation on emerging issues in migration and mobility”

- **Session 3.1**

Enhancing human development and human security for forced migrants through international cooperation on labor market access, educational opportunity, family reunification, and other avenues of mobility

- **Session 3.2**

Private sector-government partnerships to support migrant/diaspora entrepreneurship and job creation, with a focus on small and medium enterprises

GFMD Thematic Meetings

- **Thematic meeting 1**

“Migration in the post-2015 United Nations development agenda”

5 February 2015, Geneva

- **Thematic meeting 2**

“The role of communications in promoting widespread recognition of the benefits of migration, improving public perceptions of migrants, combating discrimination, and promoting integration”

29 April 2015, Geneva

- **Thematic meeting 3**

“Recognizing the contributions of women migrants to economic and social development in countries of origin and destination and addressing their specific needs, particularly concerning respect for their human rights”

3 September 2015, Geneva

Other Related Activities

- **Ad hoc GFMD meeting with the private sector**

“Strengthening the role of Business in International Migration”

- **Other global agenda setting platforms**

- **G20**

- **World Humanitarian Summit**

Cooperation with all Relevant Stakeholders

- Cooperation with the UN system
- Closer collaboration with the SRSG
- Strengthened partnership with the GMG
- Effective cooperation with the civil society

Operational Mechanisms

- Consulting with the **Troika**, the **Steering Group** and the **Friends of the Forum**
- Utilizing the **Platform for Partnerships** and **Policy and Practice Database** for knowledge sharing and cooperation on migration and development
- Enhancing the GFMD communication system
- Updating the GFMD Multi-annual Work Plan

Conclusion

- Pragmatic policy approaches to strengthen partnerships on **human mobility** for **sustainable development**.
- Strengthen the GFMD as a **platform for information sharing, confidence building and cooperation** among states and other actors.
- Build **M&D partnerships in policy and practice** that can enhance the benefits of migration for all.



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Thank you for your attention.

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