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to the event

Realizing Migration in Sustainable Development

Thursday, 25 February 2016; 1:15-2:30 p.m.
Conference Room 7, UN Headquarters, New York

Migration is recognized as an enabler of sustainable development. More recently, the global community accorded important recognition vis-à-vis inclusive growth and sustainable development in a number of universally agreed outcomes e.g. 2030 Agenda, Addis Ababa Action Agenda. Migration and mobility issues now need to be approached as a transformative phenomenon across development matrix to realize full potential of migration for sustainable development. Following the adoption of the AAAA, 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, the Ninth Global Forum on Migration & Development (GFMD) (*Dhaka, Bangladesh, 10-12 December 2016*) would mark the first year when SDG implementation proceeds at country level. Ninth GFMD Summit will thus be the first key global conference deliberating on migration and development. Bangladesh – as the Ninth GFMD Chair - therefore approaches its Chairmanship to build upon, detail and advance, in collaboration with GFMD Troika and other Member States and relevant stakeholders, to realize the migration targets for sustainable development.

This event will afford an opportunity to exchange views with Member States and other stakeholders on how best to take forward migration, particularly in the context of the 2030 Agenda and the evolving architecture as they relate to various aspects of migration and mobility including the challenges of migration being addressed at the 19 September High-Level Meeting on Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants.

1.15 p.m. -2.00 p.m.:

- Welcome remarks by Amb. Masud Bin Momen, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh
- Presentation by Amb. Md. Shahidul Haque, Ninth GFMD Chair (*Foreign Secretary of Bangladesh*): Bangladesh approach to GFMD Chairmanship
- Key remarks by Mr. Peter Sutherland, Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for International Migration and Development
- Remarks by Ms. Karen AbuZayd, Special Adviser on the UN Summit on Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants
- Remarks by Amb. Omar Hilale, Permanent Representative of Morocco [GFMD troika]
- Remarks by Amb. Mehmet Samsar, Director-General for Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Turkey [GFMD troika]
- Remarks by Ms. Patricia Flor, Director General, International Order, United Nations and Arms Control, Federal Foreign Office, Germany [GFMD troika]
- Remarks by Mr. Thomas Gass, Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs, UN DESA

2.00 - 2.25 p.m.: **INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION**

2:25 - 2.30 p.m.: Closing Remarks by Ninth GFMD Chair

Moderator: H. E. Ambassador Masud Bin Momen, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh

Light Lunch will be served at 12.45 p.m. in front of Conference Room 7

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