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ELEVENTH INQUIRY AMONG GOVERNMENTS
ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT**



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The Inquiry

- Mandated by the General Assembly in 1962
- First Inquiry conducted in 1963
- Conducted on behalf of the Secretary-General, through the UN Permanent Missions of Member States in NY
- The scope of the inquiries has changed over time, with changing policy priorities in the world
- Eleventh Inquiry (May 2014) is divided into three modules:
 - I. Population Size, Growth and Distribution
 - II. Fertility, Family Planning and Reproductive Health
 - III. International Migration
- Greater emphasis on programme measures
- The Inquiry responses on policy variables are codified into the World Population Policies Database



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The number of countries that have implemented well-managed migration policies



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The six proposed domains – possible questions

- 1. Institutional capacity and policy** – Is there at least one dedicated government entity responsible for designing and implementing overall migration policy?
- 2. Migrant rights** – Does the government promote the integration of immigrants through language skills training, equal access to public services, and protection against discrimination?
- 3. Safe and orderly migration** – Does the Government address irregular migration through pre-arrival authorization controls, integrated border management or other measures to ensure safe and orderly migration?



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- Labour migration and recruitment costs** – Does the government take steps to reduce recruitment costs, born by the employee as percentage of yearly income earned in country of destination? – How many bilateral and regional agreements has the country subscribed to facilitate labour migration?
- International partnerships** – Has the country signed bilateral labour agreements concerning the movement of workers?
- Humanitarian crises and migration policy** – Does the government's humanitarian policy include measures in relation to forced displacement of persons?



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