

# Impact of Migration on Families

## 1. General Context

- Definitions – permanent/temporary
- Perspectives – developed/developing
- Misconceptions

## 2. Philippine Context

- Reasons for leaving
- Gender dimension
- Type of work

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## 2. Philippine Context continued

### ■ General Framework

#### ■ Government Institutions

- POEA
- OWWA
- CFO
- DFA, DOLE

#### ■ Legal framework

- Domestic laws
  - Magna Carta for Filipino Migrant Workers
- International
  - International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of all Migrant Workers & Members of their Families

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3. Positive impact on families
  - Better material quality of life
    - Housing
    - Health and nutrition
    - Education
    - Resilience to crisis/disaster
    - More involvement in community
  - Greater chance to invest wisely

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4. Negative impact on families
  - Social cost of separated family
    - Single or zero parent home
    - Lack of parental guidance
    - Dependency
    - Temptations
  - Risks to the migrant
    - Physical danger
    - Temptations

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## 5. Global discussions

### ■ UN

- GA Resolutions under 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Committees
- Global Migration Group (GMG) brings together various UN agencies

### ■ Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD)

- 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting hosted by the Philippines, 3<sup>rd</sup> by Greece, and 4<sup>th</sup> will be in Mexico where they will focus on effects on families