

# Global Migration Group



**Initiatives by the Global Migration Group to follow up the  
2013 HLD**

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# Global Migration Group (GMG)

## Who we are and what we do:

- An inter-agency grouping of 16 agencies, Chaired by ILO, established in 2014 by ILO, working together at the Principals and working level to:
  - promote the wider application of all relevant international and regional instruments and norms relating to migration
  - promote coherent, comprehensive and coordinated approaches to migration



# Global Migration Group (GMG)

## Vision and plan for 2014:

- Advancing strategic cooperation and inclusiveness on migration and development, towards the UN post-2015 development agenda with the following key objectives:
  - Promote closer coordination between the GMG and governments as well as greater opportunities for consultation and information sharing
  - Strengthen collaboration between the GMG and social partners (employers' and workers' organizations) and other stakeholders, including civil society, UN entities and IOs



# Global Migration Group (GMG)

## Vision and plan for 2014 ctd.:

- Identify opportunities for the cross fertilization of experiences and good practices between the field and global levels of engagement and integrate these more closely with the GMG's work
- Increase GMG communication and information sharing, including in fostering greater multi-stakeholder engagement
- Oversee implementation of the GMG 2013-2015 Multi-Annual Work Plan (MAWP), encompassing the work of the GMG Working Groups and Task Forces



# GMG and the 2013 HLD

- Joint positions and advocacy on HLD and post-2015 UN development agenda
- Contribution to “Recommendations and Outcomes on Migration” for the UN System Chief Executives Board (CEB) and accompanying publication
- Multi-stakeholder collaboration before, during and now continuing after the HLD
- Convergence on a range of key issues



# Multi-Stakeholder Convergence

UN SG 8 Point Agenda for Action	GMG Position Paper for the HLD	HLD Declaration Adopted by UN Member States	Civil Society and 5-Year 8-Point Plan	UN SG Special Rep. for International Migration
<b>1. Protect the human rights of all migrants</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>2. Reduce the costs of labour migration</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>3. Eliminate migrant exploitation, including human trafficking</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>4. Address the plight of stranded migrants</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>5. Improve public perceptions of migrants</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>6. Integrate migration into the development agenda</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>7. Strengthen the migration evidence base</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>8. Enhance migration partnerships and cooperation</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓



# HLD Follow-Up: Ongoing Work

- Collective GMG and multi-stakeholder collaboration along the SG 8-Point Agenda
- Activities and initiatives of the GMG Working Groups (WGs) and Task Forces (TFs):
  - WG on Mainstreaming Migration into Development Planning (co-Chaired by UNDP and IOM)
  - WG on Data and Research (co-Chaired by UN DESA and IOM)
  - WG on Human Rights, Gender and Migration (co-Chaired by OHCHR, UN Women and UNICEF)
  - Task Force on Capacity Development (co-Convened by UNITAR and IOM)
  - Task Force on Migration and Decent Work (co-Convened by ILO and IOM)
- GMG agency specific follow-up actions in collaboration with a wide range of stakeholders



# Key Recommendations

## Governance Level

- Give effect to the 2013 HLD Declaration and the SG's eight-point agenda for action
- Ensure more inclusive and greater cooperation, coordination and coherence on migration through strategic multi-stakeholder engagement at all levels and in the effective implementation of internationally agreed development goals and obligations with implications for migrants and migration
- Promote the ratification of all core international human rights, refugee and stateless rights, and labour right instruments in protecting the rights of all migrants







# Key Recommendations

## Policy Level

- Strengthen data collection and analysis on migration in developing evidence-based policies
- Mainstream migration into country, regional and global level development planning processes
- Identify best practices on migration and development at regional, sub-regional and country level and promote triangular cooperation within and across all regions
- Develop and enhance measure to give effect to the human rights of migrants, including social protection systems and social services



# Key Recommendations

## Operational Level

- Mainstream migration into the operational activities and programming of UNDAFs/ One Programme, UNCTs, and the broader UN system
- Strengthen dialogue, effective cooperation as well as coordinated and joint responses to migrant's needs at all levels, including through the GMG, UNDG and ECOSOC platforms
- Broader multi-stakeholder collaboration at the field level including with such platforms as the JMDI



# Key Recommendations

## Post-2015 UN Development Agenda

- Advocate for the inclusion of the human rights of migrants and migration as an enabler of development in the discussions and negotiated text for the post-2015 development agenda, including through the following:
  - A new global partnership goal encompassing migration
  - Incorporating migration in targets and indicators of related development goals (such as goals on education; health; gender equality; ending poverty; creating jobs, sustainable livelihoods and equitable growth etc.)
  - Monitoring the labour and human rights-related elements and well-being of migrants through disaggregated indicators



# HLD Follow-Up: The Road Ahead

- Recognition of the huge opportunities created by a convergence of stakeholders on key thematic issues and maximizing the synergies flowing from the sum of individual and collective actions
- Broader and strengthened strategic cooperation on migration and development at all levels and in all spheres in HLD follow-up actions
- Joint action and advocacy on the inclusion of migrants and migration into the post-2015 UN development agenda



Thank you

