

## SIXTEENTH COORDINATION MEETING ON INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION

#### Panel 1:

The global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration:

An overview

## Lessons from the Global Forum on Migration and Development



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# The contribution of the GFMD during the preparatory phase of the GCM

- GFMD is an informal platform, where member states and other stakeholders can openly discuss and bring forward issues relating to migration in an effort to find mutual understanding on all aspects of migration and development.
- The GFMD was invited to contribute to the preparatory process of the global compact (A/71/208)
- A thematic recollection about the experiences of the GFMD since 2007 was presented to the international community in Puerto Vallarta



- The GFMD held several inclusive internal consultations:
- >1st Dialogue on the GCM (2 February), Geneva
- >2nd Dialogue on the GCM (6 April), Geneva
- Thematic Workshop on the GFMD contribution to the GCM (6 September), Vienna
- An active participation in the stakeholder consultations organized by the co-facilitators and the UN Special Representative for International Migration, Mrs Arbour.



#### Thematic recollection 2007-2017

In line with this, the GFMD submitted a thematic recollection based on:

- Main recommendations from previous GFMD Summits
- A selection of over 1,000 policy and practice examples from GFMD's Platform for Partnerships database, illustrating the mentioned policy options and options for practical action.
- The outcomes of the three Dialogues and the Thematic Workshop on the Global Compact on Migration





#### The thematic recollection:

- Reflects the diversity of discussions held in the GFMD context over the last decade
- Reflects the views of the majority of states
- It does not, however, intend to constitute a consensus view of GFMD participating states or represent their national positions in the negotiation phase of the GCM
- Structured according to the six themes identified in the resolution of the GCM modalities



Thematic Recollection 2007 – 2017

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# The GFMD and the outcomes of the zero draft of the global migration compact

#### The zero draft:

- Reinforces the view that only a common understanding and shared responsibility can ensure safe, regular and orderly migration.
- Relies on international cooperation for its effective implementation.
- Reiterates the necessity to implement the existing legal frameworks, including those relating to human rights.
- Calls for translating these frameworks into policies, concrete commitments and achievable measures.
- Takes into consideration cross-cutting issues such as human rights, gender issues and the children rights, and recommends their collective ownership.



### **Opportunities and challenges**

- The recognition of the relevance of the mandate of the GFMD and its added value.
- The expectation that the GFMD plays a role in the implementation, follow-up and review process of the GCM.





### The GFMD contribution during the next step

- The GFMD commits itself to work with UN system and its components.
- The GFMD, as a platform of exchange, will cooperate more systematically with the UN system by integrating the results of its discussions into the United Nations processes such as the High-level Political Forum, and the future "International Migration Review Forum" envisaged by the Zero Draft of the GCM.
- The overarching theme of the GFMD for 2018 reflects the spirit of joining actions to words: "Honoring international commitments to unlock the potential of migrants for development."
- The three axes of the scheduled round tables are in line with the provisions of the draft zero, notably issues related to vulnerability, regional mobility and governance of migration.



### Thank you for your attention

