



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

25 February 2019

Excellency,

I refer to my letter dated 19 January 2019 on the High-level Debate on International Migration and Development, which will take place on 27 February 2019 in the ECOSCO Chamber.

It is my honour to share with you the final programme.

For further information, your office may contact my Senior Advisers, Ms. Lea Matheson (lea.matheson@un.org; +1 347 582 7210) and Mr. Andrea Pontiroli (andrea.pontiroli@un.org; +1 917 325 9966).

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "M. F. ESPINOSA".

María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés

All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York

High-level Debate on International Migration and Development
27 February 2019, ECOSOC Chamber

Time	
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	<p>Opening of High-Level Debate</p> <p>Opening Remarks by the President of the General Assembly, H.E. Ms. María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés</p>
10:15 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<p>Panel 1: Overview on Progress in Achieving Migration-related Goals</p> <p>This session will provide a high-level and strategic overview on the progress in achieving the various goals/targets around migration. The discussion will focus on what has been achieved, what the gaps are, and what new or emerging issues and policy development need to be considered. The discussion will showcase good practices in including migration in voluntary national reviews at the HLPF</p> <p>Panellists</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. H.E. Mr. Santiago Javier Chavez Pareja, Chair of the GFMD 2019, Vice Minister for Human Mobility of Ecuador 2. H.E. Ms. Valentine Rugwabiza, Permanent Representative of Rwanda 3. Mr. António Vitorino, Director-General of the International Organization for Migration 4. Ms. Roula Hamati, Insan Association and Civil Society Chair for GFMD <p>Moderator: Ms. Marion Barthelemy, Director, Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)</p>
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	<p>Lunch break</p>

<p>3:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.</p>	<p>Panel 2: Addressing capacity building gaps, mobilizing resources and developing processes and policies and building partnerships</p> <p>Panel Discussion: This session will look at how to further make progress on the Goals including the challenges and opportunities. The speakers will focus on addressing capacity building gaps, mobilizing resources for migration governance, linking to the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, and learning of innovative technologies, processes or policy developments. Furthermore, as cooperation and collaboration are essential in these areas, the session will also highlight the importance of partnerships.</p> <p>Panellists</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. H. E. Mr. Md. Shahidul Haque, Foreign Secretary, Government of Bangladesh 2. Ms. Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean 3. Ms. Henriette Geiger, Director for People and Peace Directorate General for Development and Cooperation of the European Commission (DG DEVCO) 4. Mr. Roberto Suárez Santos, the Secretary General of the International Organization of Employers 5. Ms. Alexis Bautista of Migrant Forum in Asia, Global Coalition on Migration <p>Moderator: H.E. Mr. Agustín Santos Maraver, Permanent Representative of Spain</p>
<p>5:45 p.m – 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Closing Remarks by the President of the General Assembly, H.E. Ms. María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés</p>