



# **Report of the Secretary-General on International Migration and Development**

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# Resolutions

- General Assembly Resolution 61/208
  - Possible options for appropriate follow-up to the High-level Dialogue
- General Assembly Resolution 62/270
  - Evaluation of existing cooperation mechanisms on international migration and development



## Activities of relevant bodies, agencies, funds and programmes of the United Nations

- More active in international migration activities
- Work increasingly links development and international migration
- This section of the report is based on the input of many of you.

Thank you!



# Inter-Governmental Cooperation Mechanisms

- A review of activities based on formal regional organizations and informal consultative processes
- Activities have increased
- Many activities associated with the High-level dialogue



# Evaluation

- Formal regional consultative processes more successful at follow-up than informal processes
- Institutional support available for follow-up in formal processes
- Informal processes have only begun recently



## Method to determine options for follow-up to High-level dialogue

- Short questionnaire sent to all Member States
- Also sent to country Focal Points as designated by the Global Forum on Migration and Development
- 64 Member States responded



## Follow-up options

1. Continue including an item on international migration and development on the agenda of the General Assembly
2. Give special considerations to the ideas and initiatives of the Global Forum on Migration and Development in the General Assembly's deliberations
3. Periodically conduct a high-level dialogue in the General Assembly



Thank you