

#### 15 December 2017

Excellency,

Further to my letter of 30 November 2017, in which I invited Member States and stakeholders to participate in the third informal interactive multistakeholder hearing of the preparatory process of the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration, I am pleased to enclose herewith an updated agenda for the hearing.

The third informal interactive multi-stakeholder hearing will take place on 18 December 2017 in the Trusteeship Council Chamber at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

I encourage representatives of Member States to participate in the hearing.

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

Miroslav Lajčák

To all Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York

# Third informal interactive multi-stakeholder hearing

# Preparatory process for the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration and the intergovernmental conference on international migration

# 18 December 2017 Trusteeship Chamber, UN Headquarters, New York

#### Theme:

The third multi-stakeholder hearing will focus on the importance of a whole-of-society approach to migration at the local and national levels. A whole-of-society approach to migration has been often cited in the discussions on the global compact for regular, safe and orderly migration, recognizing the importance of involving different actors in policy-making and implementation. The practical implications and concrete examples of successful cooperation and partnerships merit further attention.

The hearing will provide an opportunity for participants to discuss the need for cooperation and partnerships between different segments of society, including civil society, the private sector, diaspora communities, migrants, local and national authorities, schools, academia and others to develop and implement a coherent and whole-of-society approach to migration.

## Provisional agenda:

| Time        |  |
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| 10:00-10:15 | Opening of the multi-stakeholder hearing   |
|             | Opening remarks by the President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Miroslav Lajčák   |
|             | Remarks by Ms. Louise Arbour, Secretary-General of the intergovernmental conference to adopt the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration  |
| 10:15-10:25 | Short briefing on the civil society stocktaking meeting in Puerto Vallarta   |
|             | John Bingham, Head of Policy, International Catholic Migration Commission (ICMC)   |
| 10:25-11:35 | Panel I: Local perspective on the whole-of-society approach to migration   |
|             | The panel will focus on whole-of-society approach to migration at the local level. It will discuss how local actors can contribute to management of migration and integration of migrants. It will also discuss the role of local authorities, and expertise and experiences from local-level implementation that can be used to inform policy-making. |
|             | <ul><li>Guiding questions:</li><li>What is the role of different segments of society in implementing migration policies?</li></ul>   |
|             | Best practices and examples of successful local partnerships and cooperation between different actors, and how to use them to inform policy-making?  |
|             | • How to ensure coherence on the local and national levels? What is the role of cities and municipalities?   |

#### Panellists:

- Eni Lestari Andayani Adi, Chairperson, International Migrants Alliance
- Deborah Valencia, Founding member, Melissa Network of Migrant Women in Greece
- Onyekachi Wambu, Executive Director, African Foundation for Development
- Barbara Span, Vice President, Global Public Affairs, Western Union

Moderator: Sherwin Bryce-Pease, President of UN Correspondents Association

#### 11:35-12:45

# Panel II: National-level perspective on the whole-of-society approach to facilitate safe, orderly and regular migration

The panel will focus on whole-of-society approach to migration at the national level. It will discuss how different actors can contribute to shaping migration policies, and examine some of the examples of successes and challenges of the whole-of-society approach to migration. It will also discuss how these could be reflected in the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration.

## Guiding questions:

- What are some of the good practices to strengthen partnerships among governments, civil society, the private sector and others on the national level?
- How can different actors best contribute to shaping migration policies?
- How could national level experiences of successful whole-of society approach inform the global compact?

#### Panellists:

- Hon. Laura Angélica Rojas Hernández, Senator, Mexico Senate of the Republic
- Tendayi Bloom, Lecturer, The Open University
- Dennis Sinyolo, Senior Coordinator, Education International

Moderator: Sherwin Bryce-Pease, President of UN Correspondents Association

## 12:45-13:00

# Closing of the the multi-stakeholder hearing

Concluding remarks by B.E. Mr. Jürg Lauber, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations, and H.E. Mr. Juan José Gómez Camacho, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations, cofacilitators of the intergovernmental consultations and negotiations of the global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration

Closing of the multi-stakeholder hearing by the President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Miroslav Lajčák