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**Briefing on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration: Report of the Secretary-General**  
**Wednesday, 16 February 2022, 10:00 a.m.– 11:30 a.m. EST**  
**UN General Assembly Hall, UN Headquarters, New York**

**CONCEPT NOTE**

**Background and scope**

The Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM)<sup>1</sup> established the International Migration Review Forum (IMRF) – a quadrennial meeting at the highest political level – to serve as the primary intergovernmental global platform for Member States to discuss and share progress on the implementation of all aspects of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM), including as it related to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and with the participation of all relevant stakeholders.

The first IMRF will take place from 17 to 20 May 2022, under the auspices of the General Assembly at United Nations Headquarters in New York, and will be preceded by a one-day informal interactive multi-stakeholder hearing, which will be held on 16 May 2022.

As outlined in General Assembly resolution 73/326, the Secretary-General will provide guidance for the deliberations during the IMRF, including the envisaged round tables and policy debate, through the Secretary General's report that will be made available at least 12 weeks ahead of the IMRF. The Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration: Report of the Secretary-General (A/76/642) builds on the inputs and outcomes from the GCM regional review process, as well as dedicated Member State and stakeholder consultations and discussions with UN system entities. The drafting of the report was overseen by the Network Executive Committee comprised of ILO, IOM, OHCHR, UNICEF, UNDESA, UNODC, UNHCR, UNDP, and WHO.

In that regard, the President of the General Assembly, in collaboration with the United Nations Network on Migration, is convening a “Briefing on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration: Report of the Secretary-General” and its findings and recommendations on how to ensure safe, orderly, and regular migration and fulfill the promise of the GCM, in accordance with its vision and guiding principles, as well as to identify the ongoing challenges, including in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. **The briefing will take place on Wednesday, 16 February 2022, 10:00 a.m.– 11:30 a.m at the UN General Assembly in New York.**

This meeting will bring together Member States, stakeholders, and partners in the UN system to exchange perspectives on issues raised in the report, including its recommendations for

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<sup>1</sup> The Intergovernmental Conference held on 10 and 11 December 2018 in Marrakech, Morocco, adopted the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM), which was further endorsed by the General Assembly in its resolution 73/195 of 19 December 2018.

further strengthening efforts to implement the GCM. It will also be an opportunity to build momentum ahead of the IMRF to further international cooperation and inspire pledges based on the Secretary General's recommendations considering all dimensions of migration.

The meeting will be open and webcast live on UN Web TV with interpretation in all official languages. There will be no pre-established list of speakers. The time limit for statements will be *three minutes* for individual delegations and *five minutes* for group statements.

The Secretary-General's Report on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration ([A/76/642](#)) is now available on the UN database website, and in the following languages: [English](#), [Arabic](#), [Chinese](#), [French](#), [Russian](#) and [Spanish](#).

## **AGENDA**

**10:00 a.m.**

### **Opening**

#### **Remarks by:**

- H.E. Abdulla Shahid, President of the General Assembly
- H.E. António Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations
- Principal of the UN Network on Migration (tbc)

**10:20 a.m.**

President opens the floor for interventions and hands over to the moderator, Ms. Vittoria Zanuso, Executive Director, Mayors Migration Council

Comments and/or questions by delegations

**11:20 a.m.**

### **Closing**

Remarks by H.E. António Vitorino, Coordinator of the UN Network on Migration, Director General of the International Organization for Migration.